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Photo Op success at the Bluebonnet Run, March 27, 2021



On the road to Rockport, 2021 Falling Leaves Tour

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Club Organization: On January 20, 2012, the membership of the club formed the Gulf Coast Triumph Association, Inc., a non-profit organization incorporated under the provisions of the Texas Business and Commerce Code (File No. 801538826). Gulf Coast does business under the name: Texas Triumph Register.

The club is managed by the membership, and has five elected executive officers (President, Vice President – Special Events, Vice President – Events Coordinator, Secretary, and Treasurer) and four elected non-executive officers (Membership Coordinator/Historian, Regalia Coordinator, Events Coordinator, and Bluebonnet Editor).

Charter Members:

- Steve Foster
- R. Dwain King
- Diane Murphy
- Mike Murphy
- Tami Murphy
- Mark Stevenson

Membership Trends:

1982: 12 members

2002: 115 families

2006: 141 2008: 130

2011: 133 2015: 159

2015: 159 2019: 185

2023: 180

Texas Triumph Club
Texas Triumph Register of America



Former Home of Dwain King—West Houston location where the charter members first gathered in March 1981

Previous Club Names:

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- Area center for the Triumph Register of America, exclusively for TR-2 through TR-4A automobiles, (www.triumphregister.org)
- Local chapter of 6-PACK, dedicated to the enjoyment, preservation and restoration of the Triumph TR-250 and TR-6 automobile. (ww.6-pack.org).

Membership/Dues/Official Mailing Address: Dues are \$30/year per <u>family</u>. The TTR membership (fiscal) year is June 1-May 31. Make checks payable to "Texas Triumph Register" and mail to:

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Web Site: Created and maintained for many years by former *Bluebonnet* editor and TTR member Tom Marsh, the TTR web site can be found at www.TexasTriumphRegister.org. Tom "retired" as webmaster in 2013 and the website was migrated to VTR servers. Bob and Orit Pennington assumed the job and made numerous upgrades including a rewritten website and dues pay online.



Monthly Meetings: TTR generally meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month. The December event is the annual Christmas & Holiday Party. Meetings are usually held in the homes of TTR members. The meeting format includes a one-hour social time (members bring snacks and beverages), followed by a business meeting, generally lasting 30-45 minutes. Guests are always welcome. Contact any of the club officers listed in the front of this document for further information.

Events: TTR maintains an active calendar of scheduled events. These typically include drives, tours, overnight Bed & Breakfast trips, picnics, neighborhood tours, Christmas lights tours, beach events and an annual Christmas & Holiday Party in December. We also participate in regional and

national conventions and offer a caravan to these locations. Check the TTR website for a list of events.

Traveling Triumph Breakfast Club: TTR members are offered the chance to meet just about every Saturday morning at 8:00 am for breakfast with the Traveling Triumph Breakfast Club. The TTBC charter is to "drive our Triumphs, have a good breakfast, and enjoy the comradeship of other Triumph owners". As with TTR's regular monthly meetings, we try to choose restaurants that are in different parts of the Houston area, so that the length of the drive will vary from week to week, and not require someone to always drive long distances. We try to find restaurants that are a



little off the beaten trail if possible, and are unique. We will take an occasional extended drive to out-of-town locations. The location for the breakfast is posted on the TTR Meetup web site by midweek and is listed in the current Bluebonnet.

TTR Logo: There have been several club logos. The first logo was designed by Dwain King, founder of the Texas Triumph Register, in 1982. Mike Hado created a world globe logo in 1984. The current Texas Triumph Register logo is an adaptation of Triumph's early world globe logo. This logo, designed by member Don Carter in 1995, puts a unique twist on Triumph world geography. The images of Texas and the British Isles are drawn to scale.



1982 Original Logo (Dwain King)



1984 World Globe Logo (Mike Hado)



1995 Current Logo (Don Carter)

Autocross: Triumph cars are sports cars, and past and current owners have frequently taken advantage of that fact to enjoy their cars more. For the Autocross enthusiast the Texas Triumph Register offers periodic training and practice sessions at the Police Academy track in Houston. Members can get a taste of what autocross entails or, for the experienced driver, provide an opportunity to refine and further develop one's skills. The Club has its own timing equipment and an autocross practice session can provide an accurate representation of real competition.



David Bryant and passenger test his TR6 at the Houston Police Academy 2017

Gary Johnston Memorial Trophy Recipients: Beginning in 1992 the Texas Triumph Register presented a special award at the annual VTR South Central Regional Meet (formerly Texas Regional Meet). This perpetual award was named the GARY JOHNSTON MEMORIAL TROHPY and is presented annually to the Triumph owner who best exemplifies the spirit of the late Gary Johnston. Gary, a longtime TTR member and officer, died tragically in an airplane crash in September of 1991. Gary was very special to TTR and he was known throughout the South Central Region as the guy with the friendly smile and easy manner. His enthusiasm for Triumphs and his friendship will not be forgotten. TTR hopes this trophy will help to keep that spirit alive for many years to come.



2019 Gary Johnston Award winners John Hanten and Nancy Money with TTR President Fred Wagner

Gary Johnston Award Recipient List

- 1992: Joe & De Schroeder, Red River Triumph Club
- 1993: Paul & Kathy Hulka, South Texas Triumph Association
- 1994: Mike & Marie Hado, Texas Triumph Register
- 1995: **Bob & Barbara Kramer**, Hill Country Triumph Club
- 1996: Sam & Carol Clark, Green Country Triumph Club
- 1997: **Don & Louise Carter**, Texas Triumph Register
- 1998: Hank & Charlotte Henley, South Texas Triumph Association
- 1999: Wayne & Jackie Switzer, Texas Triumph Register
- 2000: Roger Bolick, Hill Country Triumph Club
- 2001: Bill & Frances Hovestadt, South Texas Triumph Association
- 2002: John & Jan Phillips, Green Country Triumph Club
- 2003: Mike & Bonnie Billotte, Central Oklahoma VTR
- 2004: Norman & Millie Philips, Red River Triumph Club
- 2005: Art & Karen Graves, Green Country Triumphs
- 2006: **Duncan & Sheila Woods**, Red River Triumph Club
- 2007: Eric & Sharon Schumann, Texas Triumph Register
- 2008: Nel & Mike McPhail, Hill Country Triumph Club and Ruth & Ray Josey, Red River Triumph Club (First Ever Dual Winners)
- 2009: Marilyn & Bob Skewis, Hill Country Triumph Club.
- 2010: John & Jean Scott Gauldin, Central Oklahoma VTR
- 2011: Mike & Susan Connally, South Texas Triumph Association
- 2012: Lonny & Kay Wall, Central Oklahoma VTR
- 2013: Cecil Wise & Mia Gans, Red River Triumph Club
- 2014: **Bill & Annette Waller**, Hill Country Triumph Club
- 2015: Len & Marti Myers, Texas Triumph Register
- 2016: Paul & Jane Higley, Red River Triumph Club
- 2017: Sam & Tere Jeffries, Texas Triumph Register
- 2018: Mike & Judy Piggott, Central Oklahoma VTR
- 2019: John Hanten & Nancy Money, Texas Triumph Register
- 2020: Not awarded, Regionals cancelled due to Coronavirus
- 2021: Not awarded, Regionals deferred
- 2022: John Barrett, Texas Triumph Register
- 2023: **Joe Kboudi**, South Texas Triumph Association

President's Trophy Award Recipients: Awarded by the acting president typically each year to the person or couple who have made outstanding volunteer contributions to TTR and helped to promote the spirit of our friendly club.

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TTR President's Trophy with "New" (2002) Cup

Triumph Autorama Display and Triumph Sign: The beautiful TTR display stand, reminiscent of a dealer's showroom, includes fit-together panels, gray, black and red carpet squares and special lighting. This 40' x 8' display debuted in November of 1989 at the Houston AutoRama, billed as the "World's Largest Indoor Automotive Event." This impressive display, designed by Don Carter and hand-built by TTR members, needed something to top it off. Steve Foster came to the rescue. Around 1980, when the TR and MG marques were at their end of their run, Steve was doing legal consulting for a Houston-area Triumph dealership. When it came time for him to get paid, Steve said, "Forget the money. I'd like to have that sign right there!" Steve Foster volunteered his sign, which at that time was in two mirror-image halves, and a support post and rotating mechanism was created. It was unveiled at the AutoRama display of 1991 and that year we won our first "Best Club Display" award. We won Best Club Display again in November 1999 and took second in November 2002.



Due to its fragile condition, the dealer sign was retired in 2000. Don Carter, working with A&E Products Company, developed a new sign which debuted at the 2002 AutoRama, November 26-December 1, 2002. One side features the TTR logo, the other has the Triumph book logo. The 4'x4' sign mounts to the original pole and motor device



New TTR Sign Debuts at 2002 Autorama



Same TTR Sign Working Well at 2014 Autorama

Related Car Clubs

VTR South Central Region Clubs			
Organization Name	Contact Info		
British Motoring Club of Arkansas	www.bmca.club		
British Car Club of Wichita	www.douglasphoto.com/bccw		
Kansas City Triumph Sports Car Club	www.kansascitytriumphs.com		
British Motoring Club of New Orleans	www.bmcno.org		
St Louis Triumph Owners Association	www.sltoa.org		
Central Oklahoma Vintage Triumph Register	www.triumphsokc.org		
Green Country Triumphs	www.greencountrytriumphs.org		
Hill Country Triumph Club	www.hillcountrytriumphclub.org		
Red River Triumph Club	www.redrivertriumphclub.org		
South Texas Triumph Association	www.sotxtriumphassn.org		
Texas Triumph Register	www.texastriumphregister.org		

Texas Triumph Register is one of eleven officially chartered Chapters within the South Central Region of the Vintage Triumph Register.



Region Logo Developed by Don Carter

Houston Area British Marque Clubs		
Organization Name	Contact Info	
Gulf Coast Austin Healey Club	www.gulfcoasthealeyclub.net	
Houston MG Car Club	www.houstonmgcc.com	
Jaguar Club of Houston	www.jaguarclubofhouston.com	
Lotus Owners of South Texas (LOST)	www.facebook.com/groups/118370430602	
Morgans On the Gulf (MOGMOG)	www.facebook.com/groups/211895665037	

National Triumph Clubs			
Organization Name	Contact Info		
Vintage Triumph Register	www.vtr.org		
Triumph Register of America	www.triumphregister.com		
6-Pack TR250 & TR6 Drivers Club	www.6-pack.org		
Triumph Wedge Owners Association	www.triumphwedgeowners.org		
Triumph Stag Club USA	www.tscusa.org		

A Brief History of Triumph

- November 1884: Well-to-do 21-year old German named Siegfried Bettmann arrived in London to seek his fortune.
- Bettmann formed S. Bettmann & Company which imported German-made goods, including sewing machines made by Biesolt & Lock of Meissen, Saxony.
- Bettmann decided to export quality bicycles and engaged the William Andrews company of Birmingham as the manufacturer. Bettmann selects "Triumph" as a trade name for the bicycle. He reported that he selected this name because it was well understood in England and the European continent.
- 1887-1919: Bettmann partnered with fellow German Mauritz Johann Schulte who became a key figure in the early expansion of the Triumph Company.
- The Triumph Company purchased a factory in Coventry, which was the center of the bicycle industry. Triumph manufacturing remained centered in Coventry and the surrounding area for its entire history.
- 1895: Harvey du Cros of Dunlop Tires (based in Dublin) had a vested interest in the success of bicycle manufacturers. Dunlop invests 45,000 pounds in the poorly funded Triumph Company.
- 1897: During her Diamond Jubilee, Bettmann presents Queen Victoria with two silver-plated Triumph bicycles.
- 1902: Triumph added a 2 ¼ HP Belgian Minerva engine with belt drive to a reinforced bicycle frame as its first entry into the emerging motorized vehicle market.
- 1905: Triumph develops its own 3 HP engine. A total of 533 motorized bikes were built in 1906. 3000 were built in 1909.
- 1907: Triumph moves to a larger facility on Priory Street in Coventry, a site that today is partly occupied by the "new" Coventry Cathedral (which replaces the cathedral destroyed during WWII air raids).
- 1909: Bettmann becomes involved in politics, becoming first a member of the City Council and finally becoming Mayor of Coventry. He was the first nonBriton to attain the office of Mayor of Coventry.
- 1911: Bettmann becomes chairman of the Standard Motor Company. (This appears to have been a short-lived position, although Standard would again figure prominently in Triumph history in 1944).
- 1914-1918: World War I. Triumph prospers by providing 30,000 belt-driven, 550 cc motorcycles with Sturmey-Archer gearbox/clutch and chain-belt transmissions. Soldiers fondly call the motorcycles "Trusty Triumphs". (Triumphs of the time were known for "high quality of material and workmanship which have made the Triumph motorcycle famous" (*The Autocar*).

- At the end of WWI, Sir Harry Ricardo joined the firm and designed the first fouroverhead valve air-cooled cycle engine. By 1923, the company was producing 15,000 cycles per year.
- 1919: A 2-litre side-valve saloon was built as a prototype model.
- 1920: The roaring twenties post-war economy in both England and America was booming. In 1920, there were over 250 auto companies in the U.S. and England. A decade later the number had dwindled to about 50.
- 1921: Triumph purchased the Dawson Car Company, producers of a 12HP light car.
- 1921: William Morris' car company was in financial trouble and Bettmann was approached about buying the troubled company. Bettmann was not interested.
- 1923: The first production Triumph car, the 10/20 was announced. The car was named for its RAC horsepower and actual horsepower. It featured a 1393 cc engine designed by Ricardo. The car was designed by a contract draftsman, Arthur Alderson, who had worked for Singer Sewing Machines for many years. The car was priced at 450 pounds which was relatively expensive. Triumph counted on selling the higher priced car based on their well-known reputation for quality products. The car could cruise at 45 mph and deliver 35-28 mpg fuel economy. By comparison, the Ford Model T (1908-1927) produced about 20 HP.
- 1925: Triumph builds the 13/35 tourer—the first British car to be equipped with hydraulic brakes (Lockheed on all 4 wheels).
- 1926: Triumph began substantial exporting of bare chassis, primarily to Australia and New Zealand.
- 1928: Triumph launched the small, economical 832 cc Super Seven, which became one of the most significant Triumphs of all time.
- 1928: Walter Belgrove, Triumph's chief body design engineer, began employment with the company.
- 1929: American stock market crash officially ended the roaring twenties and caused economic distress on both sides of the Atlantic. (The US stock market didn't truly recover until 1954).
- 1933: Bettmann retired on April 18th, his 70th birthday. Donald Healey joined the firm after leaving the financially ailing Riley company.
- 1934: Sir John Black becomes Managing Director of the Standard Motor Car Company.
- 1934-1939: Triumph produced a variety of "brilliant" cars, enjoyed great achievements in road rallies but the financial side kept slipping.
- 1935: Jack Ridley won the 2350-mile Monte Carlo rally in a Southern Cross Gloria.
- 1936: Triumph sold the motorcycle division (Triumph Engineering Company, Ltd.) to raise money and to focus on automobile production.

- 1939: Hitler's troops marched into Poland on September 1, 1939, precipitating the Second World War. Triumph was bankrupt and in receivership in early 1939.
 - The company was bought by Thos. W. Ward Ltd., an engineering and steelmaking group based in Yorkshire. The closing date was September 1, 1939. Ward was more interested in selling off assets to raise cash than they were in building cars. Donald Healey was asked to stay on as General Manager. The war years saw the company shift to production of military products.
- 1940: November 14-15, German bombers pound the industrial town of Coventry, destroying many Triumph facilities. The destruction of factories, tool, jigs and other parts effectively ended the era of pre-war Triumphs. The post-war cars would of necessity have to look much different.
- 1944: Donald Healey and his team presented an idea for a Post-War Triumph to the Ward Board of Directors. The Ward directors had no interest in resuming car production. Healey left, started his own firm in Warwick and in time developed the Healey 100. This was sold to Sir Leonard Lord of Austin and became the Austin-Healey. In later life, Donald Healey collaborated with Jensen to produce the mid-1970's Jensen-Healey.
- 1944: Triumph was bought on November 24, 1944 by Standard Motor Co. Ltd., Managing Director Sir John Black. Sale price: 75,000 pounds. Shortly thereafter, the Triumph factory was sold to the Morris Group for about the same amount, meaning that Standard had effectively obtained Triumph for nothing. Of course, all they really got was the name! One of Sir John's motivations appeared to have been to give Standard the ability to produce a sporting range of cars to compete with Bill Lyon's SS Jaguar cars. (Standard supplied engines and parts to the fledgling Jaguar concern. Black had even tried to buy the company, but Lyons turned him down).
- 1945: Standard strikes a deal to build Ferguson Tractors in its underutilized Banner Road plant. Tractor production provided a much-needed infusion of cash to help re-start automobile production.
- 1946: Spring, first post-war Triumphs are introduced to the public despite shortages of steel, electricity, manpower and other necessities. Manufacturers were forced to "export or die" to pay down England's war debts. Brits who ordered new cars sometimes had to wait up to 4 years for delivery.
- 1947: The Standard Vanguard was announced complete with a new engine. The new engine was a strong 2088 cc unit with 85 mm bore and removable cylinder liners. This engine was later used in the TRs of 1953-1967. The engine was adapted for use in the Ferguson tractor, leading to the well-known myth about TRs being powered by a tractor engine. History proves it was the other way around!
- 1950: The TRX Roadster, designed by Walter Belgrove was shown at auto shows. The razor-edge Mayflower small car is introduced. Sir John Black made an offer to acquire the Morgan car company. Morgan turned down the offer (and remains independent and still in business as of 2006!).

- 1952: The TRX is deemed too complex and costly. A new design, known first as 20TS and later as TR-1, was shown at the 1952 Earl's Court auto show in London. Ken Richardson, invited to test drive prototype, pronounced it a "bloody death trap" and was hired to help improve the car prior to production.
- 1953: Ken Richardson piloted the improved TR-2 down the Jabbeke Highway in Belgium at 124.889 miles over the flying-kilometer. This was at a time when inexpensive cars were rarely able to top 100 mph.
- 1954: Sir John Black, under pressure from the Board, retired. Alick Dick assumed the post.
- 1955: TR-3 production began with Commission Number TS8637. Walter Belgrove left the company.
- 1957: Triumph introduced front disk brakes on TR-3, making it the first British production car to be so equipped. In the fall of the year, the TR-3A model (never badged as such) was introduced. The car had a full width grille and numerous detail improvements. The TR-3A was the most popular of the TR-2/TR-3 series. Giovanni Michelotti designed a TR-3 dream car, which started a long association with Triumph.
- 1958: Standard-Triumph purchased Mulliners body building concern. S-T sold the tractor business for 12.5 million pounds.
- 1959: The Herald was launched in April. A few months later, the innovative Mini debuted. S-T purchased Hall Engineering (Holdings) Ltd of Liverpool, a supplier of Herald body panels, for 2 million pounds cash. S-T acquired Alford and Alder Ltd, suppliers of front suspension and steering components. These deals caused financial distress by 1960. Broke ground on new Liverpool No. 2 Plant.
- 1960: S-T was the smallest of the British auto industry's Big Five: BMC, Ford, Rootes and Vauxhall.
- 1961: Leyland, known as a manufacturer of commercial vehicles, bought S-T for 18 million pounds. S-T was at the time losing 600,000 pounds per month. As happens with many mergers, chaos resulted-staff layoffs, demotions, cost-cutting. Alick Dick and the entire Board of Directors were fired in August. Stanley Markland was appointed the new Managing Director of Standard Triumph International Ltd. Almost immediately, 800 salaried staff were cut, 200 company cars were collected from their drivers and sold for cash, the capital spending program was slashed, production lines were reduced to working 2 ½ days per week, and the corporate Cessna airplane was transferred to Leyland.
- 1961: Triumph enters three TRS cars at the 24 hours of LeMans race. All three completed the race. TR-4 introduced (1961-1965).
- 1962: Spitfire Mark I, designed by Michelotti, was introduced.
- 1963: Standard name dropped.
- 1965-1967: TR-4A (and the TR-4A IRS with independent rear suspension) introduced.
- 1966: GT-6 fastback with 2.0L in-line six was introduced.
- 1967: 100,000th Spitfire was built.

- 1967: Michelotti's firm was overbooked. Triumph needed an updated design for their upcoming TR-6. Karmann in West Germany (noted for work on VW, Porsche and BMW vehicles) was given the design task as well as production of drawings (in both metric and English units) and new tooling. This was completed in just 14 months. Karmann was restricted to using the existing scuttle/windshield/door/inner panels of the TR-4/TR-5.
- 1967: Leyland-Triumph merge with Rover.
- 1968: TR-250 (TR-5 in Europe) was introduced as a 17-month bridge model between the TR-4A and the TR-6. The TR-250 had the same body style as the TR-4A but was equipped with the 2.5L in-line 6 that would later be used for the TR-6.
- 1968: Massive merger of Leyland-Triumph-Rover-MG-Morris-Wolsely-RileyAustin-Healey-Austin-Vanden Plas-Daimler and Jaguar into British Leyland organization.
- 1969-1972: Triumph provided engines for Saab 99 car.
- 1969-1976: TR-6 produced.
- 1970-1977: Stag produced. Only exported to U.S. in 1972 and 1973. "Stag" was the project code name but was liked so well that it carried through to production the only time a code name was used by Triumph on a production vehicle. After the merger with Rover, a proven aluminum V-8 (originally a GM design) was available, but Triumph engineers prevailed and built an iron block/aluminum head V-8 of their own for the Stag.
- 1975: B-L encountered a major cash crisis due to inflation and energy cost increases due in part to the Yom Kippur War. The British government steps in to save the company, and wound up owning more than 90% of the firm.
- 1975: TR-7, a wedge-shaped hardtop completely different from all preceding TRs, was introduced.
- 1977: A disastrous 14-week strike occurred at the Liverpool plant.
- 1978: Liverpool No. 2 plant was closed.
- 1980-1981: TR-8 produced.
- 1981-1984: Triumph assembles the Acclaim, a modified Japanese Honda (similar to the American market 4-door Civic).
- 1984: 100 years after Siegfried Bettmann brought his high hopes to London, the "Triumph" name was judged to be surplus to requirements and the firm was shut down.

(Source: *Triumph Cars, The Complete Story*, 2nd Edition, Robson, G. and Langworth, R., Motor Racing Publications, LTD., Croydon, England, 1988.)

Texas Triumph Register Tunes

Rocky Gap Ballad

(Sung to the tune of "Battle of New Orleans")

By Jackie Switzer

In June of '98 we took a little trip
Traveled from Texas 'cross the mighty Mississip.
We took it in our Triumphs and they drove just like a dream.
Winding roads and Triumphs make a mighty good team!

Chorus: We revved our engines and the miles they kept on comin' There weren't nigh as many as there were a while ago. Across land and mountain, our Triumphs kept on hummin' Bound for Rocky Gap just as fast as we could go!

Every day we traveled but it didn't seem too far; Eat a little, sleep a little, drive our little cars. But one of our members didn't fare too well we fear, He had a little birthday and he aged another year.

Chorus: We revved our engines and the miles they kept on comin' There weren't nigh as many as there were a while ago.
Across land and mountain, our Triumphs kept on hummin' Bound for Rocky Gap just as fast as we could go!

We drove from the bottom lands and crossed the mountain tops. For food, fuel and photos we would always make a stop. The flowers bloomed, the birds sang, our Triumph engines roared Eighteen hundred miles to Rocky Gap and we were never bored.

Chorus: We revved our engines and the miles they kept on comin' There weren't nigh as many as there were a while ago.
Across land and mountain, our Triumphs kept on hummin' Bound for Rocky Gap just as fast as we could go!

We weathered a big rain and a little bit of hail, But we can weather anything when engines do not fail. We drove the Natchez Trace and the Blue Ridge Parkway, too Winding roads and hairpin turns, more than we ever knew.

Rocky Gap Ballad, continued

(Sung to the tune of "Battle of New Orleans")

By Jackie Switzer

Chorus: We revved our engines and the miles they kept on comin' There weren't nigh as many as there were a while ago.

Across land and mountain, our Triumphs kept on hummin' Bound for Rocky Gap just as fast as we could go!

We headed back home with awards in our hand When a little car trouble plagued our traveling band. Water pumps, flat tire, plugs and battery, And a hot little wrench that rattled noisily!

Chorus: We revved our engines and the miles they kept on comin' There weren't nigh as many as there were a while ago.
Across land and mountain, our Triumphs kept on hummin' Headed home for Texas just as fast as we could go!

When Triumphs get together, wherever it may be There's food and fun and fellowship, just like a family As we meet old friends and meet some new. We'll remember Rocky Gap and tell a tale or two.

Chorus: We revved our engines and the miles they kept on comin' There weren't nigh as many as there were a while ago.
Across land and mountain, our Triumphs kept on hummin' Headed home for Texas just as fast as we could go!

Jackie Switzer, The Bluebonnet, August 1998

Now we can't prove it, but we certainly think the lyrics from our own club members may have inspired similar efforts in other Triumph clubs. Here are some in particular from the Illinois Sports Owners Association that are worth a listen:

www.snic-braaapp.org/index.php/racing-rock-n-roll/spinal-tappets/discography

50 Ways

(Sung to the tune of "50 Ways to Leave Your Lover")

By Jeff Harris

The problem is all inside your carbs, she said to me
The answer is easy if you take it logically
I'd like to help you in your struggle to start up
There must be fifty ways to fix your Triumph, fifty ways to fix your Triumph.

Chorus: Just put in a clutch, Butch, insert a new plug, Doug No time for a flat, Pat, just listen to me.
Put in a fuse, Hugh, don't need to discuss much Just fix up the brake, Jake, and get yourself free.

She said it's really not my habit to intrude Furthermore, I hope my meaning won't be lost or misconstrued So I repeat myself, just like I always do There must be fifty ways to fix your Triumph, fifty ways to fix your Triumph.

Chorus: Just put in a clutch, Butch, insert a new plug, Doug No time for a flat, Pat, just listen to me. Put in a fuse, Hugh, don't need to discuss much Just fix up the brake, Jake, and get yourself free.

She said it grieves me so to see you spend so much I wish there was something I could do to make you stop this drain I said. I'm sorry 'bout that, but would you please explain ...about the fifty ways?

Chorus: Just put in a clutch, Butch, insert a new plug, Doug No time for a flat, Pat, just listen to me. Put in a fuse, Hugh, don't need to discuss much Just fix up the brake, Jake, and get yourself free.

She said, why don't you just sell the thing outright?

And I believe if you're bright you'll begin to see the light.

And then she kissed me and I realized she probably was right.

There must be fifty ways to sell your Triumph, fifty ways to sell your Triumph!

TR Jerry

(Sung to the tune of "Dear Abby")

By Jerry Gruss

TR Jerry, TR Jerry, What should I do? My car's gotten so old that it needs much renewed. The top lets in water, the brakes need re-shoed. The color is quite ugly, and upholstery too. It's often rough starting; it smokes much too blue. The engine needs tuned; the oil leaks a big clue. Signed, T. R. Iumph

Dear T.R. Dear T.R. you have no complaint.
You are what you are and you aint what you aint.
That car wasn't good when it was still brand new.
Stop looking for things that have always been true.
Issues aplenty have always been there.
Try enjoying the wind in what's left of your hair.
Remember that breakdowns are not much to care.
Your lesser car knows you've got much more to bear.
Signed, TR Jerry

TR Jerry, TR Jerry, My car makes be blue, Of all the 8 cylinders, it runs like there's two. It's not the first time that work was past due. My mechanic assures me it's another screw. My top is in tatters, both doors are askew. Signed, Stag Owner

Stag Owner, Stag Owner, You have no lament, You are what you are and you aint what you aint. That V8 in there should never have been. Its heads are too soft, its liners too thin. You need redesigned, all over again. Signed, TR Jerry

TR Jerry, TR Jerry, My car fits like a shoe. It's just the right size, if I were cut in two. My trunk hauls my groceries, but only a few. My heads o'er the windshield, like a giraffe at the zoo. Someone should give me a good talking to. Signed, Spit Fire.

Dear Spit Fire, Dear Spit Fire, You have no complaint. You are what you are and you aint what you aint. Some autocross racers might have no complaint. But true highway speeds are not for the faint. Your car can't be bigger, not even with paint. Signed, TR Jerry

TR Jerry, TR Jerry, I'm out on a limb.

My fuses keep blowin; my lights are all dim.

My starter keeps running but the wipers are grim.

My radiator boils over, but heat from the heater; well chances are slim.

Signed, Try Umphant

Try Umphant, Try Umphant, You have no complaint. You are what you are and you aint what you aint. The moons the same color whether blood red or blue. Remember your vision comes from inside of you. Your car has gotten older, but so have you, too. Stop fussing and whining, without further adieu. Yesterday is gone, while today can be new. Signed, TR Jerry

VTR South Central Region Convention History

Year	Host Club	Location	
1985	TTR New Braunfels, TX		
1986	STTA	Castroville, TX	
1987	RRTC	Granbury, TX	
1988	None	VTR National-Dallas, TX	
1989	TTR	Brenham, TX	
1990	STTA	New Braunfels, TX	
1991	RRTC	Irving, TX	
1992	HCTC	Lago Vista, TX	
1993	COVTR	Ardmore, OK	
1994	STTA	San Antonio, TX	
1995	TTR	CLEAR LAKE, TX	
1996	RRTC	Grapevine, TX	
1997	НСТС	Georgetown, TX	
1998	COVTR	Lake Eufaula, OK	
1999	STTA	San Antonio, TX	
2000	GCT	Hulbert, OK	
2001	TTR	COLLEGE STATION, TX	
2002	RRTC	Granbury, TX	
2003	HCTC	Fredericksburg, TX	
2004	COVTR	Norman, OK	
2005	STTA	San Marcos, TX	
2006	GCT	Jenks, OK	
2007	TTR HOUSTON (NW), TX		
2008	RRTC Tyler, TX		
2009	HCTC	Marble Falls, TX	
2010	COVTR	Oklahoma City, OK	
2011	STTA	New Braunfels, TX	

COVTR-Central Oklahoma Vintage Triumph Register (Oklahoma City area)

GCT-Green Country Triumphs (Tulsa area)

HCTC- Hill Country Triumph Club (Austin area)

KCT-Kansas City Triumphs

RRTC-Red River Triumph Club (Dallas area)

STTA-South Texas Triumph Association (San Antonio area)

TTR-Texas Triumph Register (Houston area)

VTR South Central Region Convention History, continued

Year	Host Club Location		
2012	GCT	Broken Arrow, OK	
2013	RRTC*	Waco, TX	
2014	KCTC	Excelsior Springs, MO	
2015	HCTC	Kerrville, TX	
2016	COVTR	Norman, OK	
2017	STTA	New Braunfels, TX	
2018	TTR	CONROE, TX	
2019	RRTC	Pottsboro, TX	
2020	COVTR	Edmond, OK - CANCELED	
2021	Not held		
2022	STTA	Boerne, TX	
2023	TTR	SUGAR LAND, TX	

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TTR-Texas Triumph Register (Houston area)

*Note: TTR was scheduled to host in 2013 but due to hosting the 2012 VTR National Convention, switched with the Red River Club. KCTC joined the Region and agreed to take the 2014 hosting slot.

Texas Triumph Register Officers

Many members have contributed their time and talent as elected or appointed officers of the "Texas Triumph Club" / "Texas Triumph Register of America" / "Texas Triumph Register" / Gulf Coast Triumph Association d/b/a Texas Triumph Register.

June 81 - May 82

<u>June 82 – May 83</u>

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Bluebonnet Editor: Mike & Diane Murphy Bluebonnet Editor: Mike & Diane Murphy

June 83 - May 84

June 84 – May 85

President: **Daton Dodson** President: Mike Hado Vice President: **Dwain King** Vice President: Ken Bird Secretary: **Suse Dodson/Chuck Morris** Secretary: **Chuck Morris** Treasurer: Treasurer: Suse Dodson Chuck Morris/ Events: Chuck Morris/Mike Hado/ Marjean Doucette

Wayne Logan
Bob Grover
Events: Wayne Logan
Bluebonnet Editor: Chuck Morris &

Bob Grover

June 85 - May 86

June 86 -May 87

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June 87 - May 88

June 88 – May 89

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June 94 - May 95

June 96 - June 98

July 99 – June 00

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June 05- May 06

June 07- May 08

June 09 – May 10

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June 11 – May 12

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<u>June 15 – May 16</u>

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<u>June 17 – May 18</u>

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Texas Triumph Register Timeline

19 March 1981: First meeting with six potential members and two Triumphs.



Dwain King initiated the formation of a Houston-area club for people who enjoyed the Triumph marque. That happened in 1981, just as the final TR8s were produced.

21 April 1981: Elected first slate of officers: Dwain King (President), Robert Grover

(VP), Steve Foster (Treasurer), Diane Murphy (Secretary), Mark

Stevenson (Functions Chairman).

December 1981: First newsletter mailed.

June 1982: 1st Club logo approved (designed by Dwain King).

September 1982: Regalia debuts, caps, T-shirts, etc.

17 October 1982: First Event: Picnic at Stephen F. Austin State Park.

November 1982: Dick Greenly proposed a name for the monthly newsletter: "The Texas

Blue Bonnet".

20 March 1983: 1st Club rally (in conjunction with Austin-Healey Club). Hado's got

2nd Place.

20 November 1983: 1st Wild Turkey Rally.

August 1984: Club World Globe logo approved (designed by Mike Hado).

November 1984: 1st club participation in AutoRama.

August 1987: VTR National Convention in Atlanta, GA. Mike Hado wins the 1st

Ken Richardson Challenge Trophy.

August 1988: VTR National Convention in Dallas, TX. TTR was the co-host of this

convention with the Red River Triumph Club.

August 1989: VTR National Convention in Albany, NY.

November 1989:	AutoRama display	built and wins Bes	t Club Display	Award and prize
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money.

August 1990: VTR National Convention in Boulder, CO. (TTR represented).

August 1991: VTR National Convention in Ft. Mitchell, KY. (TTR represented).

March 1991: TTR celebrates 10th Anniversary at The Ale House, 2425 Alabama.

(Demolished in 2001).

September 1991: TTR VP Gary Johnston lost in airplane crash. In early 1992 the Gary

Johnston Award was created and has been awarded every year since.

August 1992: VTR National Convention in Savannah, GA. (TTR represented).

August 1993: VTR National Convention in Seattle, WA. Carter's win 1st in

Concours and Best in Show.

August 1994: VTR National Convention in Asheville, NC. (TTR represented).

1995: Current Club Logo is designed by Don Carter.

Spring 1995: VTR South Central Regionals (SCR) hosted by TTR in Clear Lake,

TX. Largest attendance in the VTR South Central Region's history.

June 1995: TTR has 159 cars on the roster.

August 1995: VTR National Convention in Rockford, IL. (TTR represented)

25-27 April 96: VTR SCR hosted by Red River Triumph Club, Dallas.

10-13 July 1996: VTR National Convention in Albany, NY. (TTR represented).

18-19 April 1997: VTR SCR hosted by Hill Country Triumph Club, Georgetown, TX.

9-12 July 1997: VTR National Convention in Fort Worth, TX. (TTR well represented).

Jackie and Wayne Switzer win Ken Richardson Challenge Trophy.

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July 1998: Club votes to change the name of the annual Polar Bear rally to The

Wayne & Jackie Switzer Polar Bear Rally in recognition of the

significant contributions of these TTR members.

August 1998: VTR National Convention in Hudson, Wisconsin. Switzer's win Ken

Richardson Challenge Trophy (again!).

1998: TTR goes on line with our web site, Created by Tom Marsh.

March 1999: VTR SCR at Fiesta, Texas, San Antonio.

August 1999: VTR National Convention in Portland, Maine (TTR represented).

November 1999: TTR wins \$500 club prize at Houston AutoRama and Featured Club of

the Year.

March 2000: VTR SCR, Western Hills Resort, Wagoner, OK, hosted by Green

Country Triumph Club. (TTR represented).

August 2000: VTR National Convention in Portland, Oregon.

March 2001: TTR celebrates 20th anniversary at Del Pueblo Mexican Restaurant,

Jones Road near Grant Road. (now relocated)

May 2001: TTR hosts VTR SCR in College Station.

June 2001: TTR membership roster shows 150 families and 195 cars. TTR

becomes a chapter of 6-PACK.

August 2001: VTR National Convention in Breckenridge, CO hosted by Rocky

Mountain Triumph Club. (TTR represented).

April 2002: Red River Triumph Club hosts VTR SCR in Granbury, TX. (TTR

represented).

Texas Triumph Register Club Handbook September 2023 July 2002: VTR National Convention in Red Wing, MN hosted by Minnesota

Triumphs. (TTR represented). The Bluebonnet (editor: Jeff Myers) wins a VTR Newsletter Award. Jim McAndrew wins the Ken Richardson Trophy. The TTR Resource Guide, developed by Jeff

Harris, goes on line on the web page.

November 2002: TTR President's Trophy is refurbished with new black/gold cup to

replace the tarnished and scratched original brass bowl.

November 2002: TTR Display wins second place and \$150 prize for Best Club Display

at AutoRama 2002. This was the first year that AutoRama was held in the new Reliant Center (former home was the now demolished Astro Arena). New TTR sign makes its debut. Due to the changing focus of the show (hot rods, low riders, etc), TTR members voted to skip

AutoRama 2003 after a consecutive 19-year participation.

December 2002: TTR membership roster includes 102 families.

April 2003: Hill Country Triumph Club hosts VTR SCR in Fredericksburg, TX.

(TTR represented). Farrell's TR-3B wins Best of Show.

August 2003: VTR National Convention combined with The Roadster Factory

Summer Party in Armagh, PA. (TTR represented).

April 2004: Central Oklahoma Vintage Triumph Club hosts VTR SCR in Norman,

OK. (TTR represented). TTR member Gary Fuqua wins Best of Show

with his TR-4A.

July 2004: VTR National Convention in Richmond, VA. (TTR represented).

April 2005: San Antonio Triumph Club hosts VTR SCR in San Marcos, TX. (TTR

represented).

June 2005: TTR hosts 31st annual Triumph Register of America National Meet in

Branson, MO. First ever TRA convention held west of the Mississippi

River.

July 2005: VTR National Convention in Rockford, IL. (TTR represented). John & Liz Reynold's blue Spitfire won Best of Show.



John & Liz's award-winning Spitfire is inspected at the 2006 VTR National Convention in Las Colinas, TX

December 2005: TTR members participate in the Sealy Christmas Parade and provide transportation for the Sweet Potato Queens.



Santa Bill Parker Totes Two "Taters" via Red Stag Sleigh Sealy Christmas Parade, December 3, 2005

March 2006: TTR celebrates its 25th anniversary.

April 2006: VTR South Central Regional Convention in Jenks, OK. (TTR

represented).

July 2006:

VTR National Convention in Las Colinas, TX, hosted by Red River Triumph Club. (TTR represented). Tommie & Susan Cook's yellow GT-6 wins Best of Show-see photo. Rare 1934 Dolomite straight 8 (valued at \$2M) is shown at the Concours. One of only two such cars in existence.



Tommie & Susan Cook's Best of Show GT6



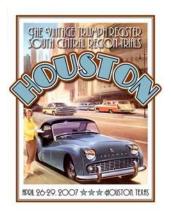
Rare 1934 Dolomite Straight 8 at the 2006 VTR National Convention

Early 2006:

The Bluebonnet is offered to members by e-mail delivery. It arrives on-line in glorious living color and in pdf format. Mike Hado wraps up the popular "Way Back When" series in March. This monthly article featured highlights from Bluebonnets 5, 10, 15 and 20 years ago. This feature ran for five years.

April 2007:

VTR South Central Region Trials at Hilton Garden Inn, northwest Houston, TX hosted by Texas Triumph Register. TTR hosted 80 registrations, 160 people. (Originally planned for Del Lago Resort on Lake Conroe, but the resort declared bankruptcy several months prior to the convention).



July 2007: VTR National Convention at Valley Forge, PA, hosted by Delaware

Valley Triumphs. (TTR represented). The Bluebonnet (Editor: Diane

Parker) wins a national VTR newsletter award.

April 2008: VTR South Central Regional convention in Tyler, TX hosted by the

Red River Triumph Club. TTR represented. A track day at the

Houston Police Academy one week before the convention made sure

that TTR autocrossers were prepared for victory.

June 2008: Diane Parker resumes the Bluebonnet editor position after Jim

Wortsman steps down. The Bluebonnet changes from a digest format to an 8.5" x 11" format and goes to electronic-only delivery. The delivery change was precipitated by the demise of our long-term printer, Brainstream Publishing (who published The Bluebonnet

essentially free for many years—thanks, Bob Vogt!) and the increasing

cost of postage.

August 2008: North American Triumph Challenge (formerly known as VTR

National Convention) at Ypsilanti, MI. B.S. Levy as keynote speaker. Members of VTR and North American Spitfire Squadron rebuild a

1963 Spitfire over a 48-hour period. (Aug 4-8)

April 2009: VTR South Central Regional convention in Marble Falls, TX hosted

by the Hill Country Triumph Club. TTR has a 40+ presence.

Highlight for many is the "Stone Mountain Slalom".

Sept 30-Oct 4, 2009: VTR combined with Triumphest in San Luis Obispo for the first ever

West Coast national convention. Also, the conclusion of John

McCartney's coast to coast drive in a restored Stag to raise money for

PTSD charities. TTR represented.

Apr 28-May 1,2010: COVTR hosts the VTR South Central Regional Convention in

Oklahoma City with the Route 66 theme "Triumphs on the Mother

"Road". TTR represented.

June 2010: Clay Thompson becomes editor of The Bluebonnet but resigns shortly

thereafter due to health issues. Diane Parker resumes as editor. Clay selected to be the VTR Liaison for the VTR South Central Region,

replacing Sam Clark who held this role for many years.

Oct 17-22, 2010: VTR National Convention in Jekyll Island, GA. TR-6 is featured

model. TTR represented. Melissa Farrell wins the Ken Richardson

Trophy for the second time.

March 26, 2011: TTR celebrates 30th anniversary with a drive to Cat Spring and lunch

at a B&B.

Apr 28-May 1, 2011: STTA hosts the VTR South Central Regional Convention in New

Braunfels, TX at the T Bar M ranch. 80 cars registered. TTR

represented.

August 2011: Jeff Harris becomes The Bluebonnet Editor.

Aug 17-20,2011: RMTC hosts the VTR National Convention in Breckenridge,

Colorado, site of the 2001 national. Billed as "Triumph in the Rockies

III" and hosted at Beaver Run Resort & Conference Center. TTR

represented.



November 2011: TTR returns to AutoRama after a several year absence. Event is held

at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston. A simplified version of the club display (sign, table, wire wheel stanchions) is used

for the display.

April 26-28, 2012: Green Country Triumphs hosts VTR South Central Regional in

Broken Arrow, OK. TTR represented. The VTR SE Regional, hosted by the Georgia Triumph Association and the Mitty classic car race held at Road Atlanta took place on the same weekend. TTR

represented.

Oct 28-Nov 2, 2012: TTR hosts VTR National Convention in Galveston, Texas. 134

registrants, 130 Triumphs, 225 at awards banquet at the San Luis Spa and Resort (Host hotel). Included a memorable Halloween costume party. Mike Hado wins the Ken Richardson Trophy for the second

time.







Gate crashers or VTR attendees at the Halloween Party? We were too intimidated to ask.

(later revealed to be Louise and Don Carter)

April 24-28, 2013: RRTC hosts VTR South Central Regional in Waco. TTR Represented.

July 8, 2013: Tom Marsh, originator and long-term maintainer of the TTR web site,

retires. Bob and Orit Pennington step in to the Webmaster role.

October 2-6, 2013: VTR / Triumphest held in San Francisco Bay Areas. TTR represented.

March 8, 2014: Steve Foster presented Certificate of Appreciation as a Lifetime

Member. Steve is the only one of the six original founding members

still involved with TTR.

April 27-30, 2014: Kansas City Triumph Club hosts the VTR South Central Regional in

Excelsior Springs, MO. TTR Represented.

Summer 2014: Pay dues on-line feature added to upgraded web page.

Sept 9-14, 2014:	VTR National Convention in Dobson, NC. TTR Represented. The
	Bluebonnet, Editor Jeff Harris, wins a VTR Newsletter Award.

April 2015: New TTR Club Banner Created. Gary Johnston Trophy upgraded to allow more names to be engraved.



April 23-26, 2015: VTR South Central Regional Convention in Kerrville, TX hosted by

the Hill Country Triumph Club. Len and Marti Myers win the Gary

Johnston Trophy. TTR represented.

August 11-14, 2015: VTR National Convention in Fontana, WI. TTR Represented. The

Bluebonnet, Editor Jeff Harris, won a VTR Newsletter Award.

April 20-24, 2016: VTR South Central Regional Convention in Norman, OK hosted by

the Central Oklahoma VTR. TTR represented.

May, 2016: Jeff Harris retires from editing duties and James Moore becomes

Bluebonnet Editor.

October 3-7, 2016: VTR National Convention hosted by Red River Triumph Club in

Pottsboro, TX. TTR Represented.

April 27-30, 2017: VTR South Central Regional Convention in New Braunfels, TX

hosted by the South Texas Triumph Association. TTR represented.

Sam and Tere Jeffries win the Gary Johnston Trophy.

August 16-19, 2017: VTR National Convention in Princeton, NJ.

Texas Triumph Register Club Handbook September 2023 August, 2017:

Hurricane Harvey gut punches the Texas coast. Many TTR families are impacted but many also jump in to help get people back on their feet in the following months.



What 13 days of flood water does to a restored license plate – from Len and Marti Myers' totally submerged TR6 now restored



Dusty Nicholson and TTR cleanup crew including Mike Rouse assess the toll on Don Carter's VTR Best of Show TR6 – happily this car is back on the road

April 19-22, 2018:

VTR South Central Regional at Lake Conroe, TX hosted by Texas Triumph Register at the La Torretta Lake Resort and Spa. TTR hosted 82 registrations and had 144 people attend the welcome reception. This was the same location as the former Del Lago Resort which could not be used in 2007. Louise Nicholson Carter took home the Millie Phillips Spirit of Texas Award presented by the Red River Triumph Club.





Triumphs herded up for Concours and Participants Choice Judging on Lake Conroe

July 17-21, 2018:

VTR National Convention held in La Crosse, WI. TTR Represented. The Bluebonnet, Editor James Moore, won a VTR Newsletter Award. Nancy Money and John Hanten took home seven awards, including two prestigious Special Awards: The George Rabey Preservation Award and the Carolinas' Cup.



Only part of the TTR awards given out to TTR attendees



View from the Host Hotel

April 24-27, 2019: VTR South Central

VTR South Central Regional at Pottsboro, TX hosted by Red River Triumph Club. TTR represented. John Hanten and Nancy Money win

the Gary Johnston Trophy.

October 6-11, 2019:

VTR National Convention hosted by Hill Country Triumph Club in Dripping Springs, TX. TTR represented. Ken and Sherri Wasilewski win Concours Best of Show with their 1957 TR3.



Ken Wasilewski accepting Best of Show Award from Chief Judge Paul Higley



2019 VTR National Best of Show TR3

April 11, 2020:

In response to stay at home orders due to the Coronavirus pandemic, TTR President Fred Wagner successfully conducts the first ever TTR virtual monthly meeting using Zoom. Despite social distancing and limited travel, the TTR club adapts and continues as strong as ever.



March 2021:

TTR celebrates its 40th anniversary as a club with a special Bluebonnet issue featuring words from past presidents, and a special 40th Anniversary Logo created by Ella Nicholson.



September 14-18, 2021: VTR National Convention hosted by Central Oklahoma Vintage

Triumph Register and Green Country Triumphs in Edmund,

Oklahoma. TTR was well represented and won 30 awards overall. TTR members Franz and Monica Bachman with their TR3A are repeat

winners of the Charles Macartney Daily Driver Award.

April 21-24, 2022: VTR South Central Regional held in Boerne, Texas hosted by the South Texas Triumph Association. TTR represented. John Barrett

wins the Gary Johnston Trophy.



John Barrett receiving the Gary Johnston Award

Aug 29 – Sept 1, 2022: VTR National Convention held in Galena, Illinois. TTR Represented. Several awards won, including a VTR Newsletter Award for The

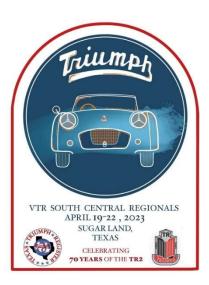
Bluebonnet, Editor John Hanten.



2022 VTR National attendees and award winners

April 19-22, 2023: VTR South Central Regional held in Sugar Land, Texas hosted by the Texas Triumph Register. TTR as host and participant was well represented.

Nancy Money wins the Millie Rose Phillips Award presented by the Red River Triumph Club.





2023 Regionals - Nancy Money - Spirit of Texas Triumph Award Winner

July, 20023 Triumph Register of America Convention in Oxford, Ohio. TTR represented. Mike Hado awarded the Joe Richards Founders Award.



Mike Hado accepting the 2023 TRA Joe Richards Founder's Award

Texas Triumph Register Chapter Recognition

Of the Vintage Triumph Register



BYLAWS OF THE GULF COAST TRIUMPH ASSOCIATION, INC. <u>D/B/A TEXAS TRIUMPH REGISTER</u>

(as Amended, May, 2015)

ARTICLE I

OFFICES

Section 1. Registered Office. Until the Membership otherwise determines, the registered office of the Gulf Coast Triumph Association, Inc. d/b/a Texas Triumph Register (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") required by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act to be maintained in the State of Texas, shall be the principal office of the Corporation, but such registered office may be changed from time to time by the Membership in the manner provided by the Law.

<u>Section 2</u>. <u>Other Offices</u>. The Corporation may also have offices at such other places or locations, within or without the State of Texas, as the Membership may, by resolution, from time to time determine or the purpose of the Corporation may require.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERS

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Membership</u>. Individuals may become members of the Corporation in accordance with such procedures as may be established by the Membership. There shall be only one class of members and each member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the Membership. The Membership may establish categories of members, fix the dues for each such category, and make other provisions with respect thereto.

Section 2. Termination of Membership. The Membership, by a majority affirmative vote of all of the members present, may suspend or expel a member for cause after an appropriate hearing and may, by a majority vote of those present at any regularly constituted monthly meeting, terminate the membership of any member who becomes ineligible for membership, or suspend or expel any member who shall be in default in the payment of dues for the period fixed in Article IX, Section 6 of these Bylaws.

<u>Section 3</u>. <u>Resignation</u>. Any member may resign by filing a written resignation with the Secretary, but such resignation shall not relieve the member so resigning of the obligation to pay any dues, assessments, or other charges theretofore accrued and unpaid.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Reinstatement</u>. Upon written request signed by a former member and filed with the Secretary, the Membership may, by the majority affirmative vote of the members, reinstate such former member to membership on such terms as the Membership may deem appropriate.

<u>Section 5</u>. <u>Transfer of Membership</u>. Membership in this Corporation is not transferable or assignable.

Section 6. Annual Meetings. The annual meeting of the members shall be held during the month of May, each year, on such date and at such time and place as shall be specified in the notice of the meeting.

<u>Section 7</u>. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the members may be called by the President or shall be called by the Secretary at the request of members having not less than one-tenth of the votes entitled to be cast at such meeting.

Section 8. Notices. Written or printed notice of an annual or a special meeting of the members stating the place, date and purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called shall be delivered not less than ten nor more than 30 days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail or by electronic mail, by or at the direction of the President or the Secretary to each member entitled to vote at such meeting. Said notice of the regular, scheduled monthly meetings and the annual meeting shall be listed in the Corporation's monthly newsletter, *The Bluebonnet*, and/or be sent via electronic mail to the Membership, and said listing shall be considered as notice of said meeting(s).

Section 9. Quorum. At all meetings of the members, a quorum shall consist of a number of persons equaling or exceeding twenty percent of the total number of membership households of the Corporation, represented in person or by proxy, for the transaction of business. The vote of the majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the members present or represented by proxy at a meeting at which a quorum is present, shall be the act of the meeting, unless the vote of a greater number is required by law or the Articles of Incorporation.

<u>Section 10</u>. <u>Proxies</u>. A member may vote in person or by proxy executed in writing by the member as prescribed by the Membership.

Section 11. Action by Unanimous Consent. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of these Bylaws, any action required to be taken at a meeting of the members of the Corporation, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of the members, will be taken without a meeting by consent in writing, setting forth the action to be taken, signed by the members. Such consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote.

ARTICLE III

OPERATION OF CORPORATION

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Governance</u>. The affairs of the Corporation shall be monitored by the Membership as provided herein Article III, Sections 3 & 4. Subject to such restrictions, if any, as may be imposed by law, the Articles of Incorporation or by these Bylaws, the members may and are fully authorized to, exercise all the powers of the Corporation.

<u>Section 2</u>. <u>Removal</u>. The Officers of the Corporation, and each of them, may be removed from office by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Corporation at a meeting of the members voting either in person or by proxy.

Section 3. Regular Meetings; Annual Meeting; Notice. Regular meetings of the Membership shall be held at regularly scheduled intervals as shall be designated or determined by resolution of the Membership. The Annual Meeting of the Corporation shall be held on the second Saturday of May of the current calendar year, prior to the end of the Corporation's fiscal year. The Annual Meeting may be temporarily moved to an alternative date for the current calendar year, upon majority vote of the Membership at any regular meeting, prior to the Annual Meeting. A change in the date for the current calendar year's Annual Meeting shall not have the effect of changing the date of future Annual Meetings, absent a change in these bylaws by the Membership. Notice of regular meetings and the annual meeting shall be listed in the Corporation's newsletter, *The Bluebonnet*, and/or on the Corporation's website, at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the regular and/or annual meeting.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Membership shall be held whenever and wherever called or provided to be held at the place, day and hour determined by the officer calling or providing for the holding of the particular meeting. Such Special Meetings require notice as described herein Article III, Section 5.

Section 5. Notice. The Secretary shall, but in the event of the absence of the Secretary or the failure, inability or refusal or omission on the part of the Secretary so to do, any other officer of the Corporation may, give notice of each special meeting, and of the place, day and hour of the particular meeting, in person or by mail, telephone, electronic mail or other means of communication, at least three (3) days before the meeting to each Officer. The attendance of an Officer at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where an Officer attends a meeting for the express purpose of objection to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

Section 6. Business to be Transacted. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose or purposes of, any regular or special meeting of the Membership need to be specified in the notice or any waiver or waivers of notice of such meeting. Any and all business of any nature or character whatsoever may be transacted and action may be taken thereon at any meeting, regular or special, of the Membership.

Section 7. Quorum-Adjournment if Quorum is not Present. A majority of the number of members of the Membership fixed by these Bylaws shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any and all business but if at any meeting, regular or special of the Membership, there be less than a quorum present, the meeting shall not convene.

Section 8. Order of Business. At all meetings of the Membership business shall be transacted in such order as from time to time the Membership may determine. At all meetings of the Membership, the President shall preside and in the absence of the President, at any meeting of the

Corporation, then the Vice-Presidents or other Officers shall be chosen from among the Officers present and such Officer so chosen shall preside at the meeting.

The Secretary of the Corporation shall act as Secretary of the meetings of the Membership. In the absence of the Secretary, the President shall appoint any person of his/her choice to act as Secretary of the meeting.

Section 10. Presumption of Absence. A member of the Corporation who is present at a meeting of the Membership at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action unless his dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting or unless he files his written dissent to such action with the person acting as the Secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or shall forward such dissent by registered mail to the Secretary of the Corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right of dissent shall not apply to a member of the Membership who voted in favor of such action.

Section 11. Action by Unanimous Consent. Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Membership may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, is signed by all the members of the Membership. Such consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote at a meeting, and may be stated as such in any document or instrument filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Texas.

<u>Section 12.</u> <u>General Purpose</u>. The Gulf Coast Triumph Association, Inc. is a non-profit organization formed to preserve and promote the brand of automobiles known as Triumph, including educating the public about the history of the brand, participating in and holding events to showcase the various models of the brand, and to help owners preserve and restore their Triumphs.

Section 13. Prohibited Activities.

- (a) The Corporation is not organized, nor shall it be operated for, the primary purpose of generating pecuniary gain or profit. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any officer, member of the Corporation or individual, unless and except that reasonable compensation may be paid for goods and/or services procured by or rendered on the behalf of the Corporation in furtherance of its stated activities. Reimbursement of expenses incurred by the Officers or members, as outlined in Article V, Section 11, shall be permitted.
- (b) The Corporation shall not serve a private interest other than one clearly incidental to an overriding public interest.
- (c) The Corporation shall not devote more than an insubstantial part of its activities to attempting to influence legislation by propaganda or otherwise, except as provided by the Internal Revenue Code and related regulations, rulings and procedures.
- (d) The Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including publishing or distributing statements and any other direct or indirect campaign activities) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

(e) The Corporation shall not have objectives characterizing it as an "action organization" as defined by the Internal Revenue Code and related regulations, ruling and procedures.

Section 14. <u>Dissolution</u>. Upon dissolution of the Corporation or the winding up of its affairs, the assets of the Corporation, remaining after payment of all debts and liabilities, shall be distributed exclusively to an organization exempt under Internal Revenue Code §501(c)(3), to be determined by a majority vote of the Membership present at the final meeting of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS' SERVICES, CONFLICTING INTERESTS AND INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. Services. No Officer, unless otherwise determined by the Membership, shall be required to devote his time, or any particular portion of his/her time, or render services or any particular services exclusively to this Corporation. Each and every Officer of this Corporation, unless otherwise determined by the Membership, shall be entirely free to engage, participate and invest in any and all such businesses, enterprises and activities either similar or dissimilar to the business, enterprise and activities of this Corporation, without breach of duty to this Corporation in any event or under any circumstances or conditions.

Each and every Officer, unless otherwise determined by the Membership, shall, respectively, be entirely free to act for, serve and represent any other corporation or corporations, entity or entities, irrespective of whether or not the business, purposes, enterprises and activities, or any of them, thereof be similar of dissimilar to the purpose, enterprise and activities, or any of them, of this Corporation, without breach of duty to this Corporation and without accountability or labiality of any character or description to this Corporation in any event or under any circumstance or conditions.

Section 2. Officers' Interests in Contracts. No contract or other transaction between the Corporation and one or more of its Officers, or between the Corporation and any firm, partnership corporation, association or any other entity of which one of more of its directors or officers are members, employees, shareholders, officer or directors or in which they are otherwise interested, shall be void or voidable by reason of or as a result of such connection. Notwithstanding the presence of such officer(s) at any meeting of the Membership of this Corporation which acts upon or in reference to any such contract or other transaction, and notwithstanding his or their participation in such action, if the fact of such interest shall be disclosed or known to the Membership and the Membership shall authorize, approve or ratify such contract or other transaction by a vote of a majority of the members present, such interested Officer(s) shall be counted in determining whether a quorum is present, but shall not be counted in calculating the majority necessary to carry such vote. Nor shall any Officer be responsible to, or liable to account to, this Corporation for any profits realized by or from or through any such contract or other transaction of the Corporation so authorized, ratified, or approved, by reason of such interest or his being or having been a director or officer, or both, of this Corporation. Nothing herein contained shall create responsibility or liability in or in connection with any such event or events or prevent the authorization, ratification or approval

of such contacts or other transactions in any other manner permitted by law or by statute. This section shall not be construed to invalidate any contract or other transaction which would otherwise be valid under the common or statutory law applicable thereto.

Section 3. Non-Liability of Officers in Certain Cases. No Officer shall be liable for his acts as such if he is excused from liability under any present or future provision or provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act or other applicable laws of the State of Texas; and, in addition, to the fullest extent now or hereafter permitted by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, each officer shall in the discharge of any duty imposed or power conferred upon him by the Corporation, be fully protected if, in the exercise of ordinary care, he acted in good faith and in reliance upon the written opinion of an attorney for the Corporation, the books of account or reports made to the Corporation by any of its officials or by an independent certified public accountant or by an appraiser selected with reasonable care by the Membership, or in reliance upon other records of the Corporation.

Section 4. INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS. EACH OFFICER, OR FORMER OFFICER, OF THIS CORPORATION SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS INDEMNIFIED BY THE CORPORATION AGAINST LIABILITIES IMPOSED UPON HIM, AND EXPENSES ACTUALLY AND REASONABLY INCURRED BY HIM, INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES, COURT COSTS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES, IN CONNECTION WITH ANY TORT AND/OR CONTRACTUAL CLAIM MADE AGAINST HIM, IN THE DEFENSE OF ANY ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING TO OR IN WHICH HE MAY BE OR BE MADE A PARTY BY REASON OF HIS BEING OR HAVING BEEN SUCH OFFICER, AND AGAINST SUCH SUMS AS INDEPENDENT COUNSEL SELECTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP SHALL DEEM REASONABLE PAYMENT MADE IN SETTLEMENT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM, ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING PRIMARILY WITH A VIEW OF AVOIDING EXPENSES OF LITIGATION; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO OFFICER SHALL BE INDEMNIFIED WITH RESPECT TO MATTERS AS TO WHICH HE SHALL BE ADJUDGED IN SUCH ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDINGS TO BE LIABLE FOR NEGLIGENCE OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE, BASED IN TORT AND/OR CONTRACT, OR MISCONDUCT IN PERFORMANCE OF ANY FIDUCIARY DUTY, OR WITH RESPECT TO MATTERS FOR WHICH SUCH INDEMNIFICATION WOULD BE AGAINST PUBLIC POLICY. SUCH RIGHT TO INDEMNIFICATION SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO, BUT SHALL NOT EXCLUDE, ANY OTHER RIGHTS TO OFFICERS MAY BE ENTITLED.

<u>Section 5</u>. <u>Income Distributions Prohibited</u>. No part of the income of the Corporation shall be distributed to the Officers.

<u>Section 6</u>. <u>Loans to Officers Prohibited</u>. No loans shall be made by the Corporation to the Officers. The Officers who vote for or assent to making of a loan to an Officer of the Corporation, and any officer or officers participating in the making of such loan, shall be jointly and severally liable to the Corporation for the amount of such loan until repayment thereof.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Executive Officers</u>. The Executive Officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the membership. The Executive Officers of the Corporation shall be the President, Vice-President – Special Events, Vice President – Events Coordinator, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Executive Committee shall consist of these five elected officers.

Section 2. Non-Executive Officers. The Membership shall also elect from individuals who place their name into nomination, an individual who shall serve as Membership Coordinator/Historian, an individual who shall serve as Regalia Coordinator, an individual who shall serve as Events Coordinator, and an individual who shall serve as the Editor of the Corporation's newsletter, *The Bluebonnet*. The Membership/Historian, Regalia, Events Coordinator, and *Bluebonnet* Editor shall be considered non-Executive Officers. The terms of the Membership Coordinator/Historian, Regalia Coordinator, Events Coordinator, and *Bluebonnet* Editor shall run concurrently with those of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. Other positions may be created as the Membership deems necessary for the operation of the Corporation, and as is approved by a majority vote of the Membership, a quorum being present at any regular or special meeting.

Section 3. Election and Term of Officers. A nominating committee consisting of the current President, any two past presidents and two members at large, shall form a nominating committee whose sole purpose is to take the names of those members who wish to have their names offered for the candidacy of a particular office, and determine whether the member(s) are in good standing with the club, and therefore eligible to run for a particular office within the Corporation. The nominating committee shall transmit the list of eligible candidates for Officer positions to the current President, at or before the regular meeting immediately before the Annual Meeting. The current President shall then present candidates for President, Vice President – Special Events, Vice President – Events Coordinator, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Coordinator/Historian, Regalia Coordinator, Events Coordinator, and *Bluebonnet* Editor, to the Membership at the regular meeting immediately preceding the Annual Meeting. Any further nominations from the floor must be made at this regular meeting. The election of officers shall be by individual ballot of each member and/or proxy vote, or voice vote of the majority in uncontested races. Candidates receiving the highest number of votes for each office shall be considered elected.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Resignation</u>. Any officer of the Corporation may resign at any time as provided in Article IX, Section 8 of these Bylaws.

<u>Section 5</u>. <u>Vacancies</u>. An unscheduled vacancy in the office of any officer may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members for the unexpired portion of the term for the person with respect to which a vacancy has occurred, in each instance.

Section 6. Removal. The Officers of the Corporation, and each of them, may be removed from office whenever the best interest of the Corporation will be served, at any time, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Corporation at a meeting of the members voting either in person or by proxy. Such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.

<u>Section 7</u>. <u>Powers and Duties of the Officers</u>. The officers so elected shall perform the duties and exercise the powers expressly conferred or provided for in these Bylaws, as well as the usual duties and powers incident to such office, respectively, and such other duties and powers as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Membership or by the President of the Corporation.

Section 8. The President of the Corporation. The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Corporation and shall in general supervise and control all of the business affairs of the Corporation. He shall preside at all meetings of the members and be a member of the Membership. He may sign, with any other proper officer of the Corporation any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, leases or other instruments necessary to carry out the business and affairs of the Corporation; and in general he shall perform all duties incident to the office of President. This responsibility may not be delegated other than to another member of the Executive Committee.

Section 9. Vice Presidents of the Corporation. There shall be two Vice Presidents of the Corporation: (1) Vice President —Special Events; and (2) Vice President — Events Coordinator. In the absence of the President or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, either of the Vice Presidents shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the power of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President — Special Events and Vice President — Events Coordinator shall assume the duties of the Events Coordinator, as outlined in Article V, Section 14. If either Vice President is unable or unwilling to lead any particular driving event, either Vice President may designate another officer or member to act as the Events Coordinator for that particular driving event. The officer, or member, who serves as the interim Events Coordinator for that particular driving event, steps into the shoes of, and assumes the responsibilities of, the Events Coordinator.

Section 10. Secretary. The Secretary (1) shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Executive Committee and all meetings of the membership in written form, published in the Corporation's monthly newsletter, (2) shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices, (3) may sign with the President or a Vice President in the name of the Corporation and/or attest the signature of either to, all contracts, conveyances, transfers, assignments, encumbrances, authorizations and all other instruments, documents and paper, of any and every description whatsoever, of or executed for or on behalf of the Corporation and affix the seal of the Corporation thereto, (4) shall have charge of and maintain and keep or supervise and control the maintenance and keeping of such other books and papers as the President or the Membership may authorize, direct or provide for, all of which shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of any member, upon request, at the office of the Corporation during business hours, (5) shall in general perform all the duties incident to the office of Secretary, and (6) shall have such other powers and duties as may be conferred upon or assigned to him by the Membership or the President of the Corporation.

Section 11. Treasurer. If required by the Membership, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Membership shall determine. He shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for money due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such banks, savings and loans companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article VII of these By-laws; and in general perform all the duties incident of the office of Treasurer.

Section 12. Membership Coordinator/Historian. The Membership Coordinator/Historian position shall serve as the person who maintains the current list of dues paid/unpaid members and contact information, who updates the annual membership roster, and who shall report to the members when said annual dues are owed and in what amounts. Said individual shall work with the Officers in preparing any membership drive materials, application forms for membership, and advertising at Corporation sponsored events, related to the recruitment of new members/retention of current members. Said individual shall also be designated as the individual who will maintain any historic documents, written records, photographs, video, or other items, which are to be maintained to preserve the history of the Corporation, including its formation, and past events.

Section 13. Regalia Coordinator. The Regalia Coordinator position shall serve as the person in charge of the procurement and sales of various items, including, but not limited to, shirts, caps, flashlights, mugs, badges, stickers, and such other items as approved by the Membership, which serve as advertisement of the Corporation and/or its activities, and/or a source of common identification for the members of the Corporation.

Section 14. Events Coordinator(s). The Events Coordinator shall be in charge of planning, scheduling and executing club driving events and activities, and creating any navigational aids to assist the Membership in participating in the event. The Events Coordinator's duties shall be handled by the Vice President – Special Events and the Vice President – Events Coordinator, unless and until such time as the Membership votes to amend these Bylaws, and elect a separate individual to be Events Coordinator, apart from the Vice-Presidents in a manner consisted with Article VIII. The Vice President – Special Events shall, at his or her discretion, be responsible for the planning, scheduling and executing of major club driving events such as the annual Wayne & Jackie Switzer Polar Bear Run, annual Gary Johnston Memorial Bluebonnet Run, annual Vern and Carol Burnett Falling Leaves Tour, and such other driving events in which the club shall decide to participate. The Vice President – Events Coordinator shall be responsible for the planning, scheduling and executing of all other club driving events and activities, including but not limited to dinner drives, tech sessions, miscellaneous driving tours, driving events with other car clubs, caravan drives to various regional and national Vintage Triumph Register conventions, Traveling Triumph Breakfast Club meetings, and autocross. Either Vice President shall be permitted to seek assistance from the Membership in the planning, scheduling and executing events described in this Section, as may be needed for the successful execution of the planned event.

Section 15. <u>Bluebonnet Editor</u>. The Bluebonnet Editor shall be responsible for compiling the articles and written submissions of members and outside sources, editing the content of said articles and written submissions, publishing photographs, and gathering other news items that will comprise each month's newsletter. The editor is authorized to work with any outside publishing, graphic

design, website or web-based publishing companies as needed to publish the monthly newsletter; however, the editor is not authorized to enter into any binding contract between such companies and the Corporation, unless the Membership provides specific authorization to do so through a majority vote of the Membership, a quorum being present at any regular or special meeting.

<u>Section 16</u>. <u>Compensation</u>. Officers of the Corporation, as such, shall not be entitled to receive any compensation for their services; however, the Membership may authorize reimbursement of expenses incurred by the Officers or any other member, for events and/or activities in support of the Corporation, by a majority vote of the members present at any regular or special meeting.

<u>Section 17</u>. <u>Executive Meeting of Officers</u>. Meetings of the Officers, regular or special, may be held either within or without the State of Texas.

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES

- <u>Section 1</u>. The President may designate and appoint any committees necessary to carry out the function of the Corporation.
- Section 2. Term of Office. Each member of a committee shall continue as such until the next annual meeting of the members of the corporation and until his successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner terminated, or unless such member be removed from such committee, or unless such member shall cease to qualify as a member thereof.
- <u>Section 3</u>. <u>Chairman</u>. One member of each committee shall be appointed chairman by the President of the Corporation, or selected by majority vote of the members of said committee.
- <u>Section 4</u>. <u>Vacancies</u>. Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.
- Section 5. Quorum. A majority of the whole committee shall constitute a quorum and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

ARTICLE VII

CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Contracts</u>. The Executive Committee may authorize any officer or officers of the Corporation, in addition to the officers authorized by these bylaws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 2. Checks and Drafts. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness approved by the officers and issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers of the Corporation and in such manner as provided in these bylaws. Such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer, and countersigned by the President or Vice President of the Corporation.

<u>Section 3</u>. <u>Deposits</u>. All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, savings & loans companies, or other depositories as the Executive Committee may select.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Gifts</u>. The Membership may accept on behalf of the Corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENT OF THE BYLAWS

Section 1. Power to Amend the Bylaws. These Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed, and new articles may be adopted by affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Corporation present at any regular meeting or at any special meeting, providing that a quorum of the members of the Corporation is present.

Section 2. Method of Amending the Bylaws. At least 20 days written notice shall be given to each member of specific intention to alter, amend, repeal, or to adopt new articles. Such written notice shall indicate the date, time and location of the meeting at which the vote will be taken. Also included in the written notice shall be the portion of the existing bylaws proposed for alteration, any portions of the existing bylaws affected by the proposed alteration, and the proposed amendment.

ARTICLE IX

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- Section 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Corporation shall begin June 1st, or such other time as the membership shall decide by majority vote of a quorum present at any regular or special meeting of the membership.
- <u>Section 2</u>. <u>Seal</u>. The seal of the Corporation shall be in such form as the Membership shall prescribe, and may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed, or affixed, or printed, or reproduced or in any other manner.
- Section 3. Books and Records. The Corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, Membership, and committees having any of the authority of the Membership, and shall keep at the registered or principal office a record giving the names and addresses of the members entitled to vote. All books and records of the Corporation may be inspected by any member or his agent or attorney for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.
- <u>Section 4</u>. <u>Annual Dues</u>. The Membership may determine from time to time the amount of initiation fee, if any, and the annual dues payable to the Corporation by members.
- Section 5. Payment of Dues. Dues shall be payable in advance of the first day of June in each fiscal year. Dues of a new member joining between June 1st and November 30th of the fiscal year shall be the full amount prescribed by the Membership. Dues of a new member joining between December 1st and May 31st of the fiscal year shall be one-half of the prescribed amount.
- Section 6. <u>Default and Termination of Membership</u>. When any member shall be in default in the payment of dues for a period of 2 months from the beginning of the fiscal year or period for which such dues become payable, his membership may thereupon be terminated by the Membership in the manner provided in Article II, Section 2 of these Bylaws.
- Section 7. Waiver of Notice. Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act or under the provisions of the articles of incorporation or the Bylaws of the Corporation, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.
- <u>Section 8</u>. <u>Resignations</u>. Any member or officer may resign at any time. Each such resignation shall be made in writing and shall take effect at the time specified therein, or, if no time be specified, at the time of its receipt by either the Membership or the President or the Secretary. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective, unless expressly so provided in the resignation by resolutions of the Membership.

Section 9. Persons. Whenever used or appearing in these Bylaws, pronouns of the masculine gender shall include the person of the female, as well as the neuter, gender and the singular shall include the plural wherever appropriate.

<u>Section 10</u>. <u>Laws and Statutes</u>. Wherever used or appearing in these Bylaws, the words "law" or "laws" or "statute" or "statutes", respectively, shall mean and refer to laws and statutes, or a law or a statute of the State of Texas, to the extent only that such is or are expressly applicable, except where otherwise expressly stated or the context requires that such words not be so limited.

<u>Section 11</u>. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of the Articles and Sections of these Bylaws are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to be a part thereof or used in the construction or interpretation thereof.

<u>Section 12, Severability</u>. Should any court of competent jurisdiction find that any article, or section of any article of these bylaws is unconstitutional or illegal under the laws of the State of Texas, the remaining provisions of these Bylaws shall remain in full effect.

WITNESS the seal and the signature of its duly authorized officers this $\frac{Q}{d}$ day of

MAY , 2015.

John Reynolds, President

Enc Schumann, Treasurer