

# TRIUMPA

# MAYFLOWER

CLUB



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#### THE TRIUMPH MAYFLOWER CLUB

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When writing to a committee member and you require a reply, please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope.

Please note that all the above committee members fulfil their posts in their spare time and not as a full-time occupation. So when contacting them other than by letter, please ensure that you choose a reasonable time of day.

#### TMC - TROC ANNUAL RALLY

The annual rally held at the Cotswold Wildlife Park near Burford can only be described as an unqualified success. On a very wet, cold and unappealing Sunday morning at 10 o'clock there were three stalwarts of the TROC organization and the TMC spares van alone in a very large field and for nearly an hour remained that way. Much to the relief of everyone Ron Hagger arrived to ensure that the trophies could be awarded to someone. As steadily as the drizzle fell, Renowns continued to arrive until Ron's Mayflower was steadily reversed away from the control area until he appeared as a speck on a murky horizon. But as the weather cleared and the sun came out so did the Flowers, first Ray Jackson from South Wales, then Graham Dean and to wide eyed amazement breaking last year's dismal record of three cars, Richard Southgate pulled up in splendid Olde English white livery. Next to arrive was John Gogay after a fraught 5 hour journey caused by overheating problems, followed in by John Oglesby who had made heroic efforts to travel down from Yorkshire. To a now disbelieving public, yet another car appeared on the horizon; new member Tony Murison courtesy of his girlfriend, who had to accompany Tony as he was still on 'L' plates; and finally a ninth car, that of Ian Bennett arrived to complete a very impressive row of nine Flowers, which showed up well against the double row of 21 Renowns and 1800's plus a variety of visitors' cars including Standard 10's, Pennants, Ensigns, Vanguards, TR4's and Rover P5.

An innovation for TMC this year was the availability of spares and this proved very popular indeed, and it became evident from the number of purchasers that many more members whose cars were in the process of restoration had attended. The spares secretaries and Chairman were kept very busy for two hours talking, selling spares and recruiting new members, including American and Swedish visitors. A total of £480 was taken on the spares stall and this money will be reinvested in new spares for the future.

The usual complement of games was organized and enjoyed but unfortunately the driving tests had to be abandoned due to conditions undertyre. Acknowledgements must be extended to Derek Williams of Minehead Glass for loan of the spares van and to Malcolm Warren for the use of the P.A. equipment.

#### RESULTS

T.M.C. Concours:	1st. 2nd. 3rd.	R.Haggar G.Dean J.Gogay		97. 703. 101.
T.M.C. Distance award:	1st. 2nd.	J.Oglesby J.Gogay		435. 101.
Wheeler Trophy:		Alison Vicary	TPA	453.
Chairmans award; for services	to the club,	S.J.Parnell.		
Also attended	R.Jackson R.Southgate B.Lacey	*	GRX	550. 152. 937.

T. Murison

I. Barnett

TPA 453.

PYA 897.

#### FOR SALE

Dear Sir,

I have got your address from the A.A. and they tell me you are associated with the Triumph Mayflower club, if this is so we have a 1952 Mayflower that we wish to sell. I have had this car for 17 years and it is in splendid condition, if any of your club members were interested we can give a fuller description and they can contact us on the phone number shown.

Yours faithfully, J.V. Edmondson.

628 Green Lane, Goodmayes, Ilford. 01-590-0281.

Ed: Further details as follows, Black, 70,000 miles, rechromed radiator, brakes overhauled, sold with 12 mths M.O.T., offers around £2000.

#### FOR SALE

Flower for restoration, green, runner 18 mths ago, body O.K., interior rough, lack of time forces sale. £150.00 NO OFFERS. Contact Mr. Bob Law, Tel, 0483-234446 or 235939 (Guildford).

#### FOR SALE

1952 Triumph Mayflower. 26,000 miles from new; original tyres, paintwork etc.; in excellent condition. OFFERS to Ken Keirle, tel: U.S.A. (714) 840-8562.

## FOR SALE

Dear Ed, I have a 1951 Mayflower which I have nearly restored and is in running order except it needs tyres for the MOT. I am thinking of selling the car and am writing to you before advertising it in the papers. It is 80% restored. I have various spare parts. I also have the vehicle handbook and the workshop manual.

Contact: R. Clissold on Exeter 67227.

#### FOR SALE

Mayflower for spares or repair, located near Stanford-le-Hope. Contact John Gogay for details.

#### FOR SALE

Triumph Mayflower, 99% complete, \$250.00 o.n.o. Site 14, Southside Caravan park, Geelong, 3216. Australia.

#### FOR SALE

Mayflower parts for sale, Air cleaner, brass radiator cap, damaged Triumph badge, radiator grille, oil filler cap. Glen Slender, 125, Eaton Road, West Pennant Hills, N.S.W. Australia.

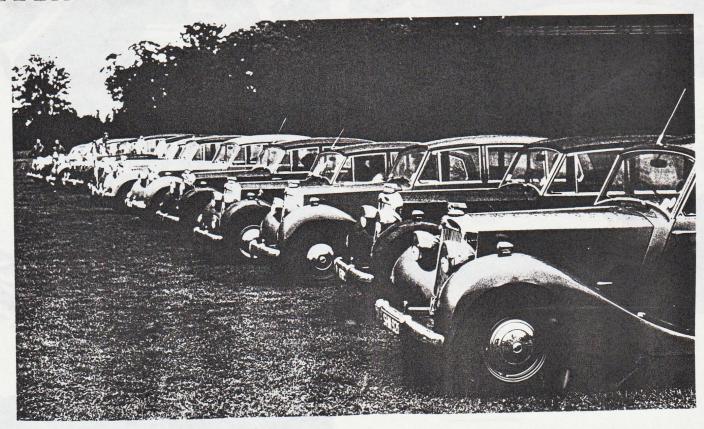
#### WANTED

Second hand damaged cylinder heads, corroded, warped, gouged by big screw-drivers!! Contact S/H spares sec. 0643-84253.

T.M.C.-T.R.O.C. RALLY BURFORD 1987.



A WONDERFUL SIGHT-NINE MAYLOWERS IN FUL BLOOM.

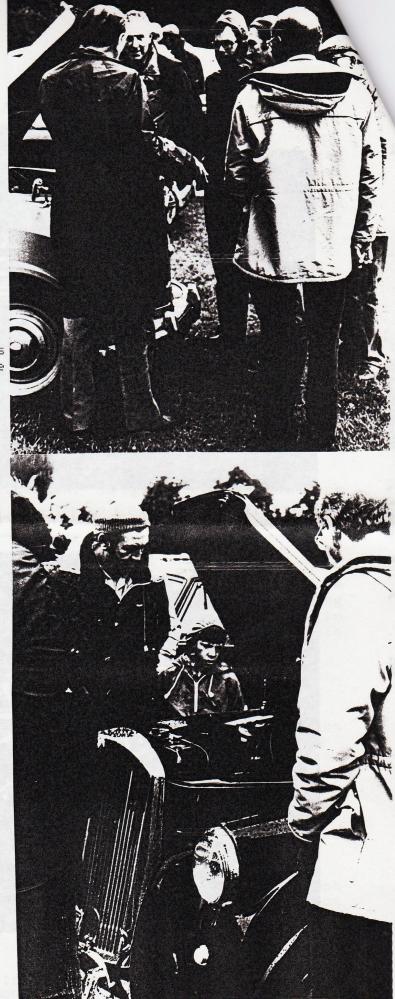


AN IMPRESSIVE LINE-UP OF 21 RENOWNS.

Pictured right is the Chairman dressed for the Arctic, well he had just come back from Finland, being entertained by Ray Jackson who worked at Canley while Mayflowers were in production. Ray has a wealth of stories about life in the car producing factories of Coventry and he has recently converted his 'Flower to a Triumph Dolomite engine in which he drove to the Rally. The extra weight up front has produced "unusual" traits with regard to roadholding and he will only touch 70 mph whilst going uphill!

Below is our erstwhile Rally Sec Shaun Spooner explaining that his car doesn't look quite the same as Richard Southgates BUT he did find the only two bits that he needed in the Spares stall, so watch out next year, well maybe not next year...





How the dickens does he keep it that clean May be Ron Hagger's wife knows the answer!

#### MINUTES OF TRIUMPH MAYFLOWER CLUB A.G.M. HELD AT EATHORPE PARK HOTEL, WARWICKSHIRE ON SUNDAY 31ST MAY 1987

- 1. Meeting opened by Peter Burdge 2.30pm.
- 2. Apologies for absence received from Melanie Beer, Terry Gordon, John Gogay, Reg Varney, Malcolm Bath.
- 3. Minutes of 1986 A.G.M. Ron Hagger proposed they be taken Mike Webber seconded the proposal.
- Matters arising from Minutes of 1986 A.G.M.
  - (a) Registration numbers: Edith Webber and Stephen Parnell have been collating.
  - (b) Quarter light rubbers: rear specimen still being sought; one among Terry Mills' spares, so OK for use as pattern.
  - (c) Membership: proposed mailshot not proceeded with because most of potential recipients were found to be in receipt of the mags anyway.
  - (d) Archivist: P. Burdge had failed to write to Mr Farrugia, the Australian pick-up owner. Peter to remedy this. S. Parnell gave P. Burdge spare copy mag. to send him.

5. Treasurer's re	port	
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Accounts for year 1st April	1986 - 31st	March 1987	
Income		Expenditure	3 mg (8) mg
Balance b/fwd	£920.00	Flower Power	£426.8
		Stationery	6.4
Subsciptions	862.60	Rally	82.78
		A. G. M.	14.20
Spares loan	340.00	Spares loan refunds	40.00
		Postage	54.99
Misc.	6.02	Photo-copying	5.50
		Garage rent	26.84
Till the state of		Foreign cheques	13.85
		Classic Car show	35.44
	*	Misc.	25.14
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			733.00
		to balance	1395.62

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Excess of income over expenditure	£1395.62				
Reconciliation Bank statement at 31st March Cheque not presented	£1393.18 10.00				
Less cash owing to treasurer	1403.18 7.56				
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#### Notes from Treasurer:

- £6.02 misc. income is surplus arising from conversion of foreign cheques.
- £25.14 misc expenditure: tel charges, bounced cheque, transfer of S. Parnell's subs, gift for Tom Robinson's assistant.
- "Cash owing to Treasurer" is shortfall in reimbursement of postage etc.

#### 6. Membership Secretary

136 paid-up members now (overseas members included in this total: 24) Latest enrolment: 511. A number of new members from Australia and U.S.A. E. Webber has done a lot of work in dealing with the membership records. S. Parnell to unearth old membership lists from magazines and forward to E. Webber to enable lapsed members to be chased.

7. Spares Secretary No report to hand. No apologies for absence. J. Gogay is willing to continue in this position.

#### 8. Archivist

S. Parnell reported that he had received drawing of cylinder head from Terry Mills. S. Parnell unable to establish contact with anybody willing to admit designing the Flower.

#### 9. Rally Secretary

Manchester, Northern Classic Car Show has now changed venue, so not sure if will be attended in future. Geoff Basketter organises northern representation.

Attended Brighton Classic Car Show: Dave Toguri's white Mayflower on show. One member visited the stand. Cost us £35. Doubtful if worth repeating, but a new member (Nigel Kelsey) said he might put his car on display if ready in time.

Bromley Pageant attended by 3 vehicles last year, but only one likely to attend this year.

TROC/TMC rally attended successfully. To be similar this year, but with addition of: kiddies colouring and fancy dress.

Phil Hall's Bristol Event. Enjoyed by all who attended. Thanks to P. Hall for organising.

Some trophies in hand for distribution at this year's rally.

- 10. Magazine Editor Everything running successfully. More contributions (as always) needed.
- 11. Chairman's Report Thanks were extended to all committee members for the good work done by them during the past year.

#### 12. Election of Club's Officers

Chairman: P. Burdge Vice Chairman: T. Gordon Gen. Sec.: M. Beer

Rally Sec.: No volunteers. S. Spooner is doing our rally

this year. Otherwise post vacant.

Treasurer: M. Webber

Ord. Member 1: R. Hagger standing down. No volunteers.

R. Hagger willing to stay on for time being,

pending finding a replacement.

Ord. Member 2: R. K. Varney re-elected in absentia.

13. Any other business Dashboard knobs: S. Parnell to investigate remanufacture.

# Burt's restoration

FOR two years Burt Lacey kept the love of his life a secret from his wife.

During those long months, Burt lavished his loving care on her sleek 27-year-old body.

But on the Queen's Jubilee Day, the secret emerged from the darkness of a damp garage and stood gleaming in the sunshine waiting for her first audience with Burt's wife, Iris.

What Iris Lacey saw when she opened the upstairs win-dow of her Priestwood home was a shining example of Brit-ish motoring technology: a 1952 Triumph Mayflower in mint condition.

## Russell Jenkins

Since that time, Burt has been offered £500 to part with the Mayflower, named Jubilee because of its birthday, but he would not part with it for any-thing. In fact, he has fallen in love with classic English motor cars in a big way and now wants to share his enthusiasm with other car lovers.

#### Hobby

His ambition is to start a Bracknell classic car club.

Club members would show off their classic post-war cars, Triumph

tinker with their car engines. hold rallies, exchange parts and generally natter about their motoring hobby.

Burt, who lives in Winchgrove, Priestwood, Bracknell, said: "There must be lots of nice 20-year-old cars in this area and I feel sure there must be a demand for a Bracknell be a demand for a Bracknell classic car club.

There is a very strong local Triumph club that meets in the Stag and Hounds but I'm thinking of something less specialised. As a local club we would hold rallies, exchange parts and just talk about cars."

Burt's thirst for motor honours was sparked off by a first prize in the Post-War Classic Car Cup at Lynwood Motor



Trade Benevolent Association Rally. "I was overjoyed at winning," he said. "It is the first cup I've ever won."

#### Tatty

The road to elegant motoring was long and hard. Since the Mayflower was rescued from oblivion, an oily rag has never been far from Burt's reach.

He said: "Jubilee had not been driven for seven years so it was in a pretty tatty condition to say the least. It certainly

wasn't roadworthy.
"I worked on it, cleaned it up, changed the seats, the brakes and tyres with spares from another Mayflower I bought. But really I had very few problems except fuel trouble.

"It took two years of hard graft to get it for for the road." Tuning the old but reliable engine was all in a day's work for Burt — he has had 20 year's experience in the motor trade.

Now Jubilee has regained its former look of indomitable Britishness — the original wing indicators pop up on cue: cruising speed, a cool 50 mph.

#### Enthusiasm

Burt's enthusiasm for Jubilee has also fired the imagination of his colleagues at Reliance Systems, in Easthampstead Road, Bracknell.

Workmate, Harry Spicer took the hint and bought his own Mayflower. With two of the beauties in the stable, Burt reckons he has the nucleus of a successful club

'Somebody once offered me some pool once offered me £500 for it but I would not sell. It is not a price to me but something I've always wanted," said Burt.

Anybody interested in sharing in the delights of rejuvenating post-war classic cars can get in touch with Burt at work (Reliance Systems, Bracknell 51511) or at home in 8 Winchgrove, Priestwood. Brackneii.

#### STIR '87

Dear Ed, I would like to pass on a plea to our members from Malcolm Warren the organiser of STIR. Should any of our members be able to lend a hand on Sunday 20th September then please contact him:14 John Simpson Close, Wolston, Coventry CV8 3HX. Tel: 0203 544770 or myself, Shaun Spooner. Doubtless they will be co-opted into taking money at the gate!

Attached is an application form for anybody wishing to attend. Many thanks, S. Spooner.

#### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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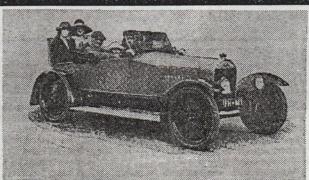
# Craftsman-built in the 1920s

IN the 1920s your car was not built by robots in Turin or Tokyo but by craftsmen right here in Gloucester.

The Maiflower Motor Co. of Commercial-rd. specialised in a rakish two-seater plus double dicky seat and "top hat clearance."

The curious spelling came from the car's designer, Mr. A. I. Flower, who adapted a standard Ford engine and chassis to his own specification.

Mr. R. Humphis of Wedgewood Drive, Longlevens, had never heard of the Maiflower until he bought



The Maiflower: any still about?

an old City Council guide to Gloucester published in 1926. Inside was a leaflet for the

Maiflower giving details of the construction of the car but strangely no performance

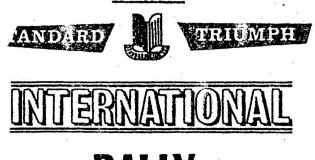
details.

Today, car manufacturers concentrate on speed, safety, finish, fuel consumption and styling but the Maiflower brochure mentions none of these attributes.

In those days Mr. Flower obviously thought people were more interested in the alignment of the universal joint, the double japaned canvas valences, and the seat springs supplied complete by the Lace Web Spring Mattress Company of Nottingham!

Does an example of the Maiflower survive to this day? Perhaps readers of Day by Day will be able to tell us.

he above article was submitted by Ray Jackson and originally appeared n the Gloucester Citizen 16.6.87.



# Hanbury Hall

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# Sunday 20th September 1987

Indemnity
I agree to save harmless and keep indemnified all the various organising and participating bodies, the owners and management of Coughton Court, and all other individuals associated with this event, their officials, agents, servants and representatives from and against all actions, claims, expenses or demands in respect of death or injury to myself however caused arising from or in connection with this entry or my taking part in this event, notwithstanding that the same may have been contributed to or occasioned by the negligence of the said bodies, their officials, representatives or agents.

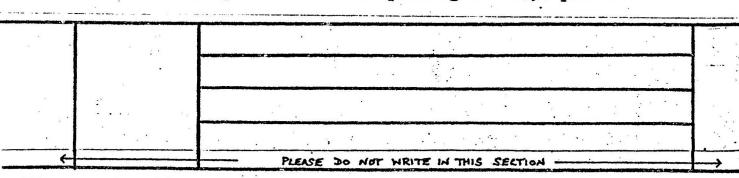
#### Very Important - Entry Regulations

Entries(by post only please) close 10th September 1987.

Administration Fee per car: £5

Late Entries, at the gate on the day, accepted only until 11am: £7.50 (£2.50 at the gate + £5 at control)

No entries will be entertained after 11am. Thereafter the gate charge for entrance to rally field and for parking is £2.50 per car

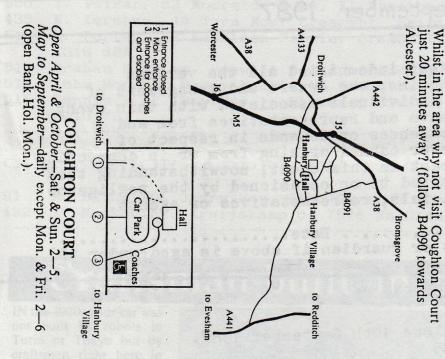


Please make all remittances payable to STANDARD TRIUMPH INTERNATIONAL RALLY and send to: STIR, 54 Erithway Road, Coventry, Warwickshire. CV3 6JT

Administration Fee also provides a souvenir programme and plaque and reduced entry charge to Hanbury Hall. Late entries receive plaque and programme only while stocks last.



pictures. Blue Bedroom has c1730 bed with original and staircase by Sir James Thornhill, famous for (c1740) and ice house in the garden. hangings in fine condition. Handsome Orangery, A red brick house in the style of Wren, built in Watney collection of porcelain and Dutch flower his masterpiece the painted Hall at Greenwich. 1701 and little altered. Outstanding painted ceilings



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parties £1.10. Admission: Adults £1.60, children 80p. Pre-booked weekends and by arrangement.

of each month—no concession. Ice house open at

visits for pre-booked parties 7.30—9.30 on 3rd Wed

Wed. to Sun. & Bank Hol. Mon. 2-6. Evening

& Easter Mon. 2-5. May to end September-Opening Times 1987: April & October-Sat. & Sun. Location: 2½ miles E of Droitwich, 1 mile N of B4090 and 1 mile W of B4091. From M5 junction 5

follow Droitwich signs. Tel: Hanbury (052 784) 214.

Also Christmas Shop. Refreshments: Home-made teas. Shop.

Dogs in park on lead Braille guide. S Ground floor only. Wheelchairs available.

There will be an entirely informal STIR gathering on the Saturday evening the 19th at around 8pm at the Red Lion, Bradley Green, which establishment has a 'Steak House' for those desiring a meal.

A Caravan and Camping facility is, it is understood, available at the Vernon Arms, Hanbury. Please contact the proprietor direct.

Enquiries concerning Trade Stands(from about £10 according to size) should be addressed to: STIR, 14, John Simpson Close, Wolston, Coventry, Warwickshire.