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FIRST CAR MADE BY COMPANY THAT WOULD BECOME TRIUMPH

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This was the very first Standard of 1903 – no-one could have realised that it would found a great empire, and the biggest car-making company in Coventry in the 1920s and 1930s.

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Coming Events

Member Help Groups Wiring Problems

Charles Fenwick Lance Brazil

Polishes, Waxes, Finishes

Lance Brazil

Vintage Triumph racing

Don Marshall 904-259-9668

If you would like to volunteer to help other members with problems on their cars, let us know and you and be listed here.

May 19th. Celebrate the Royal Wedding. Due to time differences the wedding will be over by the time we wake up. King's Head British Pub. 1:00 PM, Saturday

May 26th. Boot Sale (sale of no longer needed items for your British Car.) Legacy Automotive, 2487 County Road 220, Middleburg Florida 32068, from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM. Contact Penny Levy to RSVP

June 2nd - Visit to Ft Clinch, Fernandina (details to follow)

July 7th - Club Meeting at Kings Head Pub; 1:00 PM ,Saturday

Aug. 5th - Club Meeting at Kings Head Pub; 1:00 PM, Sunday

Oct. 20th - British Car Classic, Mark XXX - hosted by TCNF

OTHERS:

FCCC - http://www.carcouncil.org/events/; for other local car events

Myrtle Beach Britfest 2018" Car Show, Oct. 6, 2018

NOTICE:

Please contact Norm
Reimer if you can help
with the British Car
Show.

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THE BOOK OF THE STANDARD MOTOR COMPANY

by Graham Robson, Veloce Publishing

Chapter 1: Raising the Standard 1903-1906

Standard Motor Company was founded on 2 March 1903, but the real start was in the 1830s when Maudslay build their first steam carriage, as Dick Maudslay got this off the ground. Coventry became the home to the British Motor industry. Coventry had been Britain's largest watch-making cities, but by1850, the Swiss and others were leading in this industry. So they started making pedal cycles and led the industry in this within a decade. Motorcycles were a natural progression and by 1890, Riley and Daimler were making motorcars In 1903, Standard name was added to long list including Daimler, Humber, Lea-Francis, Riley, Rover, Siddeley and Singer. Deck Maudslay's family had started a workshop in London to do work on steal engines and is credited with many innovations, such as the micrometer the screw cutting lathe. Expecting that Dick would take over the business, they sent him to the patrician boys public school of Marlborough and then as articled pupil in Sir John Wolfe Barry's London civil engineering firm at a cost of 500 Guineas. After working on several major civil projects, Dick Maudslay with his cousin, Cyril, started the Maudsley Motor Company in 1901.

After meeting Alexander Craig, a consulting engineer with background in internal combustion engines and with sum of 500 pounds Dick started his own car company with its firs Board meeting held on March 17, 1903. (The notes on these first meeting are still kept). Dick determined that all of the other motors required to much hand fitting so the story goes that in a discussion with Craig, he said "I don't want any of those new ideas, Mr. Craig. I want my car to be composed purely of those components whose principles have been tried and tested and accepted as reliable standards. In fact, I will name my car the Standard car."

By the end of 1903, they were producing but still developing the first car, the Motor Victoria. Standard was not then able to build all of the car but had others finish the motor and body. It was a 6ft 6 in wheelbase with a one cylinder side valve engine of 8 bhp at 1200 rpm and 5in bore with 3 in stoke, and shaft drive to rear tires. A two cylinder engine was next in Feb. 1904, but these were not show room ready yet. Once the two cylinder was ready it produced 12/15 hp the first car was sold to Alexander Gibb for 367.5 pounds. Their first 6 cylinder was put on show in Feb 1905. They took this car to the Isle of Man Tourist Trophy road race in Sep. 1905. There were 44 entrants with Dick at the wheel they finished 11th place (out of 18 finishing) at an average speed of 27.95 mph. T His convinced Dick to go "up market" in sales of the 6 cylinder car, called the 16/20.

Obviously There is much more detail and interesting facts within Chapter 1. Also, I understand Veloce has a new book coming out soon about Triumphs. https://www.veloce.co.uk/shop/index.php

President's Corner

British Car Clubs Picnic

The first British Car Clubs drive and picnic was a resounding success. The weather (mostly) cooperated with a top down day for roadsters of all marques. There were caravans coming in from various meeting points all around Duval County.

Three Triumphs came across on the Mayport ferry; Barry and Diane Northway in their TR250, Mike and Cindy Dahnert in their TR3, and Lance Brazil in his Spitfire. There was a mini car show on the ride across to Fort George Island with other ferry riders coming by to admire the Triumphs.

All groups met at the Ribault Club for a group picture. The turnout was so large we had to settle for individual pictures. Dan Scanlon of the *Florida Times Union* was there to cover the event. As we waited for all arrivals – and they just kept coming – we were amazed at the variety. There were Triumphs, MGs, Jaguars, Austin Healeys, Rolls Royces, and an Austin Martin. There was a total of 33 cars.

Before leaving we went inside the Club for a brief tour and history. It opened in 1928 and had such famous visitors as the Rockefellers and Sir Winston Churchill. Unfortunately the great depression hit in October of 1929 and the club foundered for several years and never made it back as a resort. The building has been completely renovated but the floors and woodwork are original. It is a popular place for weddings and can be reserved for events.

We left the club and headed for the Kingsley Plantation. We parked and met in groups to have our picnic lunches. A park ranger gave us a talk on the history of the plantation and was very knowledgeable about its history. It has been around since the late 1700s.

Zephaniah Kingsley purchased the island and buildings in 1817 for \$7000. He owned over 200 slaves and married one and gave her her freedom. In his absences on business she ran the plantation and he once remarked that she did as good a job as he could in managing the affairs of the plantation.

The plantation was run on the task system whereby each slave had a certain task to perform each day and when it was completed they could have time to spend on their own gardens or fishing. Kingsley was a permissive slave owner and armed his slaves for protection and even allowed them to have padlocks for their cabins. Some of the crops raised were Sea Island cotton prized for its long fibers, indigo for making very expensive blue dye, and okra brought in from Africa.

Unfortunately, the rain began to move in and we had to leave before he finished his talk. If you missed this picnic you missed a great time with our LBCs and friends. Special thanks go out to Michael Gross of the MG club for planning and organizing the drive and picnic. We will have more group events in the future.

| Lance | Brazil |
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Pictures by Penny Levy

Pictures from the April British Car Clubs Picnic





















IMPORTANT MEDICAL ADVICE:

I do not understand why prescription medicine is allowed to advertise on TV or why anyone would think of trying one of the medicines after listening to the laundry list of warnings of possible side effects. But this is definitely an exception!

Do you have feelings of inadequacy?

Do you suffer from shyness?

Do you sometimes wish you were more assertive?

Do you sometimes feel stressed?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, ask your doctor or pharmacist about Cabernet Sauvignon.

Cabernet Sauvignon is the safe, natural way to feel better and more confident. It can help ease you out of your shyness and let you tell the world that you are ready and willing to do just about anything.

You will notice the benefits of Cabernet Sauvignon almost immediately, and, with a regimen of regular doses, you will overcome obstacles that prevent you from living the life you want. Shyness and awkwardness will be a thing of the past. You will discover talents you never knew you had...Cabernet Sauvignon may not be right for everyone. Women who are pregnant or nursing should not use it but women who would not mind nursing or becoming pregnant are encouraged to try it.

Side effects may include: dizziness, nausea, vomiting, incarceration, loss of motor control, loss of clothing, loss of money, delusions of grandeur, table dancing, headache, dehydration, dry mouth and a desire to sing Karaoke and play all-night Strip Poker, Truth Or Dare and Naked Twister.

Warnings: The consumption of Cabernet Sauvignon may make you think you are whispering when you are not.

The consumption of Cabernet Sauvignon may cause you to tell your friends over and over again that you love them.

The consumption of Cabernet Sauvignon may cause you to think you can sing.

The consumption of Cabernet Sauvignon may create the illusion that you are tougher, smarter, faster and better looking than most people.

Please feel free to share this important medical information!

LIFE IS A CABERNET OLD CHUM!"

thanks Norm

My super power is holding onto junk for years and throwing it away a week before I need it.

Be the reason someone smiles today.
Or the reason they drink.
Whatever works

I am starting to think
I will never be
old enough to know
better

FOR SALE:

My name is Elizabeth Miller and I am trying to help my mother figure out what to do with ALL of these parts and the actual TR6 itself. She lives in Debary, FL. This has been a long time unfinished project of my stepfather's who has just passed. Not in the picture are boxes of used parts that would go with the rest of the items (we're not exactly sure what it all is). It was running but the bumper came off and he took the battery out. Since that time, it has been sitting. She doesn't want to sell any of it piecemeal; she just wants to sale all of it together. She placed all of the photos in Dropbox - see below

 $\underline{https://www.dropbox.com/sh/enpl906vv6a2cjt/AAA13Q5S-lpFLB3rik3oD2Oma/TR6\%20parts?dl=0}$

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Miller

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If you're interested in Triumph cars, You should be a member of TCNF. The benefits are outstanding, a monthly newsletter that is entertaining as well as informative with free ads to members, monthly events, rallies, shows, picnics, tours and camaraderie with fellow enthusiasts...

Membership Application/ Renewal

| | ——— (Please Print) ————— |
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| New Renewal | Car Information |
| | Year Model Comm# |
| Name | 1 |
| Spouse | 2 |
| Address | 3 |
| | 4 |
| | 5 |
| Home Phone () | |
| | Please circle interest in: |
| Work Phone () | Tech Sessions |
| Email Address | Social Events |
| | Autocross |
| | Tours |
| | Fun Rallyes |
| | Car Show |
| VTR Member? Yes No | T-S-D Rallyes Races |
| TRA Member? Yes No | Make your \$25.00 check payable to: |

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