

Hi Everyone:

At long last your letter has arrived. I hope you did not despair and conclude that our club would end up as a BKS. This past month has been an extremely busy one for me. So occupied was my time that all MG work ground to a halt. Things look a little more clear now, so please accept my apology and let's get on with something more pleasant.

The big news for this issue is our next gathering. Ossie and Luella Christensen have very graciously offered to open up their home to us for this event.

Gathering # 2

Ossie and Luella Christensen's
W338 - S4655 Drumlin Drive
Rt. 1, Dousman, Wisconsin 53118

Sunday July 23

1 P.M.

Just in case the Fair City of Dousman (forgive us, Hercules) is unknown to you, Ossie and Luella have reproduced a map which shows exactly how to get there from wherever you are. They suggest that those coming from the west come in on 67 to County D and then south on GC. I have added the details to the maps, so if you get lost, I'll have to take the blows. Luella's directions on the master map were very clear. "Navigators - sharpen your eyes". Just in case you have forgotten, Ossie recommended the Enco map for southeastern Wisconsin as a good one to have.

Packing chains, blankets, grills, charcoal, bratwurst, beer, tools, assorted spares and what have you into a T Series can tax the ingenuity of an Edison, but I know we will somehow manage. Bring enough for yourself and some to share if you care to. What pleases you, plus tickles the rest of us to death.

We also need a few other things, most of which will have to come from the idea department, so comewith your suggestions. A tentative agenda set up at the first gathering looks something like this.

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1. Getting acquainted again.
2. Taking another long look at those magnificent machines.
3. Picture taking.
4. All of the above sandwiched between huge draughts of beer and bites of burned bratwurst.
5. Club formal organization.
 - a. number of officers.
 - b. election of officers.
 - c. club name.
 - d. dues.
 - e. membership cards or identification.
 - f. new members.
 - g. car vital statistics.
 - h. newsletter, name, frequency, contributions, etc..
6. Submission of a short history of car and MG involvement.
7. Affiliation with T Register.
8. Young America Status.
9. Next gathering(s).
10. Anything else anyone wants to consider.

I hope I haven't forgotten anything. Only one other thought comes to mind as the sun vainly tries to come out from behind the clouds. In case of rain on the 25th, Ossie has extended his invitation to us for the 30th. Let's hope everything turns out for the best. If there is any doubt give Bob Bartley or myself a phone call. I'll call Ossie early that Sunday morning if it looks like a cancellation.

Don't forget, you Milwaukee area drivers (and anyone who would care to join us) we are going to meet in the Brookfield Square parking lot, southeastern end, at 12:00 p.m. and drive out to Deusman together. Frank and Maggie have agreed to lead us on a scenic route. Should be a lot of fun and a great way to start the day. The last car will clear the lot at 1 p.m. sharp, so if your late you'll have to make it on your own.

This letter will be going to some of you who were not able to make it to the first gathering or who were unknown to us at this time. The article following this should clear up some of the mystery of what this is all about. We extend to you a most hearty welcome and sincerely hope you will be able to make the gathering. You'll meet some fine people and see some terrific cars.

If you know of some other T owners or hopefuls that would like to join, bring them along and have them meet the group. Everyone is welcome.

Gathering No. 1

Sunday, June 4 is a historical day for it marked the first gathering of what will surely become one of the finest and most enthusiastic groups of T nuts in the country.

Milwaukee's southwest side was treated to a display of automotive grandeur rarely seen in this part of the land. Beginning at about 5:30 p.m. the tantalizing tones of British exhaust systems reached the ears of the good burghers and flashes of black, red, yellow, gray, and green appeared out of the sun. These sights and sounds quickly materialized into majestic T series machines headed for the home of Bob Schwab, who with the help of Bob Bartley and Joe Kramer (and the newly printed mailing list of the New England T Register) issued a call to the faithful of Southeastern Wisconsin. The response was all that one could hope for. Our hosts for Gathering Two, Ossie and Luella Christensen were early arrivals. Nels Lawrence, a long time T enthusiast and very active member of the register rolled in from Oshkosh. From the western reaches came the Putnam's with two beautiful cars driven in from Madison. Frank Stockinger's black TF and Maggie Eckstein drew a sizable crowd as he wheeled into the driveway. Frank and Maggie hail from Waukesha. Mark and Gloria Rodenkirch came down from Kewaskum to look and envy, as did yours truly. Those of us who do not have operating cars were moved to mightier efforts to get out of the garage and on the road. Bob Bartley, Wayne Ramirez and myself belong to this sad segment of society. From a little farther west came Bob Hamilton from Oconomowoc.

The saah's increased as Joe and Mrs. Kramer rolled up with their immaculate TC. Then, adding to the excitement, he drove up again in his second car, a beautiful yellow TD. With the arrival of the Frewere's, Ginny and Tom, James Bogliano, and John Laitsch, the gang was complete.

T talk flowed like water over Niagara. This mixed with a little beer, coffee and soda made the first hour or so pass very quickly. There never seems to be enough time to ogle the cars and swap stories about our various "T" adventures.

Finally we tore ourselves from our first loves and retired to the Schwab's rec room. Couldn't leave our cars unattended, so Bob Schwab Jr. and his fiancée, Garry Bucholz, were appointed "baby sitters" for the rest of the evening. Want to thank those two especially, as I am sure they would have much preferred to be with us as we talked about the future of our group and looked at a lot of pictures.

We agreed to form a group with some of the details to be worked out at the next gathering. Ossie then offered to host the meet on the 23rd of July. We were on our way. Planning for the day all made some good suggestions. The total of these offerings have already been given.

Another highlight of the day was the presentation of a series of slides taken at Hudson Ohio during the GOF Mark XIV of the N.E.T. Register. Nels, Bob and Susie Bartley, and Bob, Eileen and John Schwab had the great fortune to be able to attend this spectacular and indeed that it was. Just close your eyes and imagine 192 T series and Vintage cars all lined up for your viewing pleasure. Now I know what heaven must be like. Most of the really good shots were taken by my son John, and I want to thank him for that. What really made the presentation a hit was the able and interesting commentary provided by Nels and Bob Bartley. Any time you'd like to see them again I'm sure the guys would only be too happy to comment again. Bob and Nels brought along many color photos of Mark XIV and we enjoyed looking at these also. "Thanks fellas". It was like being at the meet again.

By this time Eileen had the cake and coffee ready so we dug in and sweetened the dessert with more T talk until we finally had to break up for the night. Hopefully we will pick up where we left off when we get together again at Ossie and Luella's on the 23rd.

This epistle got a little more lengthy than I had originally intended, so with that comment I'll close with a sincere wish that what was born on June 4 may have a long and happy life.

Yours,

Bob Schwab

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CORALINE
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DEER PARK DRIVE

SURREY HILL

GENESEE
DEPOT

DEER PARK Pt.

DAYLAW Pt.

DRUMLIN DR.

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BUNNEN

SULLY HOLLOW

FOX HOLLOW DRIVE

NORTH
PRAIRE

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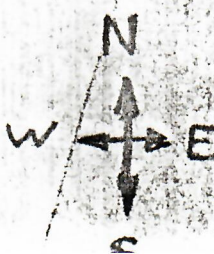
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