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## TR Number SIX

Some may not realise just how long ago I started my association with TRs and the Stoke Group. My current TR6 is indeed TR number 6 and two of them before had major work. Like a few others this is my second time around now that started in 2015, but before that I had.



TR7 fixed head Y plate – one of the last – bought before joining the Register in 1988 through the Sentinel from just down the road from me now in Werrington. I was thinking of getting a TR6 around the time I came to the 1990 IWE at Stafford. The TR7 was sold to help with the purchase and work needed, around the end of 1990. I bought an ex-USA car from TR Bitz in 1991 just as they moved from the petrol station. I striped it out and had some quotes for work and a little later I bought a TR7 convertible to attend events with from S&S.

For providing a 'gazebo' (a caravanette drive-away owning) at the IWE in 1990 and attending meetings and helping I got the Phil Pendleton memorial award in 1991. Importance of keeping dry at events never changes!



The USA TR6 project was going to take forever so that was sold through the Sentinel around 1992, the buyer came and towed it away on a rope after it had been bolted back together. I used the funds to convert the TR7 DHC to V8 and had S&S do the work again around 1992, as a friend at work told me about them.

Then in 1993 Mark Jellyman was selling his TR6, so I sold the TR7 V8 and bought that and ran it to Le Mans a few weeks later. I had a lot of fun with it over the years I had it going to IWEs and Lakes Tours. Then in the early 2000s I had not been using it for a while, and I wanted to buy a property, so I got TR Bitz to sell it for me in 2002

In 2015 I bought a TR4, again from TR Bitz and ran it as it was for a year before making it a fast road car / kind of restomod, having it converted to an EFI system with a hotter cam - putting out around 150 BHP. The project took 3 years and went way over budget. Unfortunately, I could not afford to keep the car after running it for another 2 years, so I finished the 2021 season of events and put it up for sale with TR Bitz and it sold in March 2022.

Since then, I have looked at ways at being more involved again and took the plunge and bought my current TR6 from TRGB in March 2025. It had to be something to fit my budget and for a while I was not sure if a TR6 was a possibility. I did consider a TR7, but I can't get one in my garage, and the front drive at home gets too damp in the winter to leave one outside.

## JULY

**Oulton Park** - The TR Stoke group enjoyed a fantastic day at Oulton Park for the Gold Cup classic car racing, joining forces with the TR Red Rose group. With 30 Triumph cars on display, the club's presence was truly impressive. Members revelled in the excitement of watching classic car racing on the iconic track—a real treat for enthusiasts. The venue offered a variety of activities, from vibrant displays and stalls to family-friendly attractions, ensuring there was something for everyone. The atmosphere was lively, the weather questionable at times, but the camaraderie among club members made it a memorable outing. In all, it was a brilliant day out for all involved.



## AUGUST



**Dorothy Clive**, The TR Stoke group had a delightful August gathering at Dorothy Clive Gardens, joined by North Wales and Red Rose TR groups. Although the day began with rain, the sun soon made an appearance, brightening spirits. The event was dog-friendly, and one member's dog won several activities, adding a fun twist. The beautiful gardens, friendly company, and shared enthusiasm for Triumph cars made it a memorable and enjoyable day for all

## AUGUST

**Apdale** A huge thank you to everyone who supported the TR Stoke group at the Apdale Classic Car Show. With 25 Triumph TRs on display, it was a fantastic turnout and a credit to all who attended. The event offered much more than classic cars—visitors enjoyed the sights and sounds of narrow gauge steam trains, making it a unique and memorable day. Apdale is truly family-friendly, with plenty of activities for all ages, and it's wonderful to see the show growing in popularity year after year. Sincere thanks to the organisers, marshals and venue staff for a well-run and enjoyable event. Days like this highlight the strength and enthusiasm of our TR community—here's to the next one



## AUGUST



TR Stoke's first visit to the **Eccleshall Show**, where horticulture, crafts, and classic cars come together for a truly unique atmosphere. The event offered a refreshing change from traditional car shows, with something for everyone to enjoy. The friendly, vibrant setting made it a memorable experience, and with its distinctive blend of interests, it's certainly a show we look forward to attending again in the future.

## SEPTEMBER

For the second year running, **Gulf Petrol** invited the TR Stoke group to support their Big Journey promotion, encouraging classic car groups across the UK to get involved. Ten TRs attended, interacting with the public at Gulf-branded petrol stations, where Gulf generously provided fuel for participating cars. The day concluded with a beautiful drive into the Peak District, making for a fantastic experience. It was wonderful to be supported by Gulf Petrol stations, and special thanks go to the photographer who captured the day's activities and contributed to the event's success. See the video [Gulf Big Journey 2025](#)



## SEPTEMBER

A handful of TR Stoke members attended the **Biddulph Town Street Classic Car Show**, a free event that allows the public to interact with classic cars while out shopping. The show offered a great day out, was very well organised, and provided a welcoming atmosphere for both car enthusiasts and families.



## SEPTEMBER

**Trentham Gardens Classic Car Show** is a highlight for the TR Stoke group, being our local event and attracting over 500 classic cars. This year, 12 TR Stoke cars braved a damp day to join the impressive display. It was great to catch up with three members from the Red Rose group and enjoy the variety of vehicles on show. The event also gave us time to stroll through the beautiful Italian Gardens and explore the fabulous Trentham Village for a spot of shopping. Sincere thanks go to the Trentham Gardens organisers for hosting such a well-run and enjoyable event. In all, it was another excellent show, and we look forward to returning next year

## OCTOBER

TR Stoke **winter Drive It Day** saw a small but enthusiastic group venture out on a cold, yet dry and sunny autumn day. The route covered a scenic 100-mile round trip, taking members across Shropshire and the Welsh borders to the impressive Chirk Castle, before returning to Stoke. The day concluded with a hearty evening meal, providing the perfect opportunity to relax and share stories. It was a wonderful day filled with great company, beautiful views, and the spirit of adventure that defines our group. We look forward to the next outing together!



## CHRISTMAS BASH

Once again, the TR Stoke Group gathered for its much-anticipated annual Christmas bash, bringing together 28 members for a festive evening filled with good food, laughter, and camaraderie. Held at the welcoming Wharf Pub on Sunday, 7th December, the venue proved itself yet again as the perfect setting for our seasonal celebration. The staff deserve a special mention for their consistently excellent service and the inviting atmosphere, which makes the pub a favourite for our group year after year.

The evening began with a delicious festive meal, giving everyone the chance to reflect on the past year's adventures and achievements. The tables buzzed with conversation as members shared stories, discussed restoration projects, and looked ahead to the coming year's events. It's these moments of connection that truly define the spirit of the TR Stoke Group.

A highlight of the night was the ever-popular Christmas quiz, this year expertly organised by Chris Mountford and Marie Mountford. Their comprehensive mix of multi-option questions covered festive general knowledge and MG-related trivia, ensuring a fun and challenging experience for all. Huge thanks go to Chris and Marie for their hard work and creativity in putting the quiz together. After a spirited contest, the Karen Kelly team emerged victorious, earning the honour of claiming the coveted TR Piston Trophy. Congratulations to the team for their impressive performance!

Adding to the festive fun, Tony Ralph and Steve Thomas brought their trademark humour to the event with the Christmas raffle. Participants were delighted with a range of quality gifts, including toilet brushes, dog toys, festive candles, woolly hats, and even wire wool—proof that the raffle is as much about laughter as it is about prizes. Tony also handed out goody bags featuring merchandise from the Gulf Big Journey, including water bottles, toy cars, car air fresheners, pens, and the ever-mysterious "Kodak plastic tub things," which sparked plenty of amusement around the room.

As the evening drew to a close, members left with full stomachs, happy memories, and a renewed sense of community. The Christmas bash is more than just a meal—it's a celebration of everything that makes the TR Stoke Group special: friendship, shared passion, and the joy of coming together.

As we say goodbye to 2025, we look forward to another exciting year of TR Stoke Group activities in 2026. On behalf of the group, we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year





## Club Merchandise

Now that New Year has started you may consider purchasing some of the club merchandise, you can order clothing with the Stoke Group logo embroidered on them to show that you belong to this Group and to raise some funds.



Caps £15



Polo Shirts £15



Fleece £25



Gilet £30



Payment is preferred with order, if that's not possible it must be on collection. Please see **Karen Kelly** for further details at a Club Night.

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## CLUB SHOP



Polo Shirt  
£15.00



Gilets  
£30.00



Fleece  
£25.00

Caps also available at £15.00  
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