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Thunderhill Spring Races April 29-May 1

Dear Locke,

**Reminder: One Week to Go Before
Thunderhill on April 29-May 1**



The field is now beginning to look better for the weekend, but we still need more cars to make this a viable event. Please join us by clicking this link:

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Thunderhill Testing Notice

As mentioned before, there will be a CSRG Test Day on Friday afternoon, April 29th. You can sign up through MotorsportReg via the above "Enter" link, or at the track on Friday.

Thunderhill may also have a Friday morning test session.

Here are the particulars:

Sessions will be between open and closed wheel cars.

There will be a lunch break between 12pm and 1pm & then CSRG takes over at 1pm for the afternoon session.

Cost: \$199.

You can sign up in the Pro Shop beginning at 7am, but the preferred way is to contact Shannon Ell, Operations Manager, at 530.934.5588, Ext.103 & let him know of your interest.

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Hero Photos & a Triumph Story

Now that you've entered, I would ask that you have a look at the real reason for this send: 1) The over-the-top coverage that Sports car Digest gave the David Love Memorial & 2) the nice article & photos about the Kastner Cup by Kathleen Cannon.

[David Love Memorial Coverage & Photos](#)

at
Sports Car Digest

Sports Car Digest shot a ton of photos at the David Love Memorial & gave it excellent coverage. In fact, if film were still used, they should own most of Kodak. Thousands (yes, I do mean thousands) of photos were taken. Thank you SCD!

Have a look at a few of them here: [Sports Car Digest](#)



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CSRG 2016 David Love Memorial a Triumph

By Kathleen Cannon

The David Love Memorial event April 1-3, 2016, hosted more Triumphs than the track had seen in years on its crooked 2.3 miles. Included in the group of visitors were guest of honor, R. W. 'Kas' Kastner Manager for the U.S. Competition Department Triumph factory, Bill Hart, current owner of



the 1968 250 Kas Kastner Triumph # 47, ex-F5000 driver Jim Dittimore, the first licensed driver of the 250 KK Triumph, Tony Garmey, current driver of the 250 KK Triumph, and two-time SCCA National Champion Jerry Barker owner/driver of the 1963 Triumph Herald Sedan which won the Kas Kastner Trophy.

The 1968 250 Kas Kastner Triumph looks timeless on and off the track. But like an historical racecar, it bespeaks a glorious track history. The current owner, Bill Hart from Carnation, Washington, said his father bought the Peter Brock designed racecar in 1994/95 & restored it in 1998. The first licensed driver was Jim Dittimore....

Jim Dittimore, learned to race at Riverside in an MGA and drove a TR3 in 1965 to win the Pacific Coast Championship and become "West Coast Driver of the Year". In 1966, '67 and '68, Mr. Dittimore won Championships in the Kas Kastner's TR4, but his most exciting moment on the track was in the TR 250K. A lurid 150 mph spin--two times to the left---three times to the right was a defining moment in his career.

Times were different back then, as were the rules: Mr. Dittimore reminded us when he raced, the driver had to carry all his tools, spare tire, jack and lug wrench. Training, a staple of modern day drivers, was jogging on the beach for Jim.

Tony Garmey, this event's driver of #47, has been driving the



TR250K since it was restored in 1998. He came to participate in the historic significance of the event, see, touch, smell the car and track. Mr. Garmey has raced between fifty and sixty cars on over fifty tracks, in New Zealand, Europe, and the U.S. He "tests, tunes, sorts out the cars for car comfort". Vintage is for fun...the more comfortable, the more fun." He loves the Love Memorial for many reasons: Sonoma Raceway is an "Old School track," and the "reward vs. risk" is high on the Richter scale, plus somehow "CSRG has maintained people and cars at a different, higher, level than most organizations. Classic events do not often include Birdcages and Ferrari TRs." He enthusiastically gives kudos to CSRG, the track/event tutors, the staff, everyone at the event. "They know how to welcome new people. Great job!"



Jerry Barker, from Hesperia, CA, has been racing since 1968. His dad



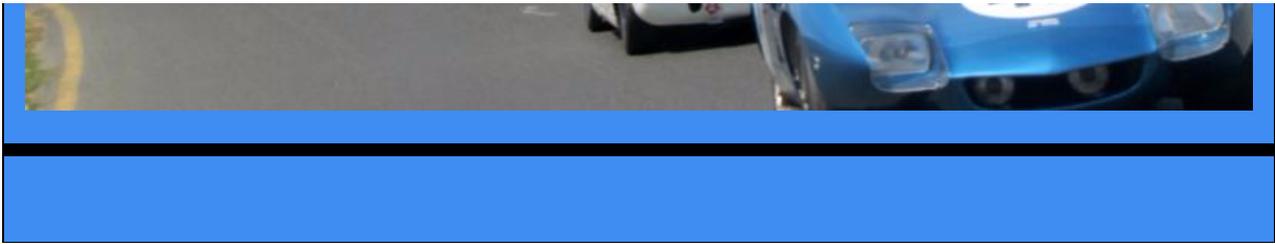
drove a 1964 Spitfire and won the SCCA National Championship. In 1979-80, Jerry won in two different Spitfires. He has known Kas Kastner since he was eight years old. As he dismantles camp, Jerry, his wife and cat are elated. All had a "fantastic" weekend and Jerry won the Kas Kastner Trophy for his very fast 1963 Triumph Herald Sedan--the preferred car for post WWII British Housewives, as well as the chosen

"get about car" for London Jaguar owners of the day. This Herald, was, unbelievably, a "wrecking yard find." For the past 18 years, until 2005, he searched, unearthed, and when necessary replicated parts for the Herald Sedan, a car that was also a favorite for destruction derbies. In his Herald Sedan, Jerry beat his son who drove a Spitfire. With his grandson in tow, Jerry declared it "a fun family weekend,"and, winning the trophy was also special.

Who would have known Triumphs could be so fun? Well, The Triumph Association, Kas Kastner, and the guys who 'raced' them.

Well done, Gentlemen!





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