

Welcome to NASS North American Spitfire Squadron P.O. Box 30806 Knoxville, TN, USA 37930 nass@writeme.com www.nasshq.org

#### What is it?

NASS is a group of people that admire Triumph Spitfires and GT6's. These cars were produced from 1962 through 1980. NASS was founded on the Internet during some discussions in a Spitfire mailing list, about the need for such a group in the late 1990's. NASS has started growing from a website that is provided by Yahoo/eGroups. The web address is:

#### http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nass/

In the fall of 2000, officers were elected and after much planning and organizing, the club started taking paid memberships in April of 2001.

### Do I have to own a Spitfire or GT6 in order to join?

NO, you only need to have an interest in these wonderful cars.

## Do I have to have Internet access in order to join?

NO! While the Internet makes it an easy way to communicate, we realize that everyone does not have access to the Internet. We will use the US Postal Service to send you information in the US & Canada.

#### Do I have to live in the US or Canada to join?

NO! The name implies its base on the North American continent, but any interested person may join regardless of the country they live in. However, foreign members (those outside the N.A. continent) will only receive information via the Internet to avoid international mailing costs.

#### What activities are planned for this club?

The club's Annual Event, known as a "Spit-Together", invites all members of NASS to attend and participate. ST-2001 July 3 & 4, 2001 in Knoxville, TN ST-2002 June 14-16, 2002 in Lexington, OH, at the Mid-Ohio Race Course.

**ST-2003** was held at THREE locations. May **2003** in **Carlisle, PA** for the Eastern Region, with the Import/Kit-Car Show. May **2003** in **Champaign/Urbana, IL** with the Champagne British Car Festival for the Central Region.

October 2003 <u>Monterey, CA</u>, at the Laguna-Seca Raceway for the West Coast Region.

**ST-2004** is being planned, and appears to be a 4 location event. Atlanta, GA; Carlisle, PA; Indianapolis, IN; and a site in the west TBD.

Smaller regional meetings are scheduled throughout the spring, summer, and fall months, where different geographical groups (referred to as "Wings") hold meetings and rallies as interest and weather permits.

#### How do I benefit from joining?

The benefits from joining NASS are numerous. As well as participating in future activities, you will be issued a membership card, a certificate of membership, a quarterly club newsletter, and a window decal to identify you to other car owners as a member of this club. You will also have access to purchase different items such as lapel pins, patches, hats, polo shirts, and T-shirts with the club logo. You will be part of an international group of Spitfire and GT6 owners, giving you resources to the collective knowledge of all members. This means if you are having a problem with your Spitfire/GT6 or have trouble locating parts, help is just one letter away. By writing on the email list or to the club Secretary, your problem will be posted on the NASS mail list online to seek out answers from others that have experienced the same problem. Your question can also be published in the quarterly club newsletter to reach all those offline to find answers to help you. Just imagine, a world full of Spitfire/GT6 owners trying to find solutions to your problems.

For those with online access, NASS offers a website with visitor areas, and members-only areas. *www.nasshg.org* 

Within these areas you can find technical information to aid in your restorations and repairs.

#### Newsletters

Our newsletter, "*NASS Notes*" is published quarterly (4 times a year) with submissions from members & Triumph professionals, and includes Tech Articles, Rally Info, Regional Wing Reports, Humor, and other timely stories. Each issue features a "*Meet the Members*" section, with color photos and background info on members and their cars. To be featured in the "MtM" section, all a member has to do is submit photos and a short write up about themselves and their cars to the newsletter editor. You can choose to receive the newsletter either by Post (US Mail) or by Email, in PDF format.

#### Calendars

A project initiated in the fall of 2002 was to collect photos of members' cars, compile and print a calendar for 2003. The calendars started mailing just before Christmas. The result was a beautiful, professional 4 color litho printed calendar with more than 70 photos of various models of Spitfires & GT6s, posed alone or in group settings. It included photos from the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spit-Togethers. A 2004 calendar, with pictures of NASS members & events, is for sale now.

#### MASH - Mobile Army of Spitfire Helpers

Our newly formed MASH Unit is a listing of members and affiliates that can offer some type of aid when you have a problem traveling through different areas of North America. Published in a parcel tray sized booklet, you will find listings from volunteers that can make a mechanical break down a bit easier to handle.

Dues are \$20US/1 yr or \$35US/2 yrs. Won't you join us?



To Join, include your: Name/Address/ City/State /Zip/Country, Phone/Email; Newsletter delivery preference: <u>Email or Post;</u> Year, Model & Commission # (VIN) of any Spitfire/GT6s you have (VIN optional), along with a check or money order for \$20/\$35US, and mail to the address listed at the beginning of this brochure.

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