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Alan has had experience with refurbishing several TRs over recent times, all to concourse, or near-concourse, standard. He has recently sold his rebuilt lhd ex U.S.A. TR6, and regularly drives his ground-floor-up re-built TR3A which has won concourse prizes at the TR Register – so definitely not a ‘trailer dolly’.

Alan’s current project is a ground-floor-up re-build of an ex-U.S.A. TR4A, also undertaking its conversion to IRS. The car was imported from a Californian dealer, although the car originated from Ohio. The car arrived in February 2017, but was found to be in very poor condition so was stored for 3 months before Alan began the refurbishment programme.

Work Completed/Work in Progress

Structural

Once work began in dismantling the bodywork, the tub was found to be beyond sensible repair and the tub was scrapped. A mint condition tub was eventually sourced and this is currently away at the bodyshop

Mechanicals & Electricals

The chassis and all ancilliary components have been shot-blasted and two-pack painted. Assembly of all running-gear onto the chassis is nearly complete. However, a problem has been discovered with the IRS and differential alignment, so further work is need in this area.

The engine is now complete and assembled by Alan following some machining work

Suppliers, Components & Materials Used

Replacement tub: Sourced from ‘Flying Englishmen’ – Mark Johnson, Wolverhampton – email: flyingenglishmen@hotmail.com tel: 07712 129831

Panel & paintwork: Sean Shelton, Little Eaton – independent sole trader

I.R.S. conversion: Parts only – IRS conversion parts obtained from various sources.

General spares, consumables: Chick Doig, 131 Jamphlars Rd, Cardenden,
Lochgelly Fife KY5 0ND Scotland 01592 722999

Nuts, bolts, fixings: Permafast (Chesterfield) Ltd, Derby Rd, Clay Cross, Chesterfield S45
9AG – 01246 250150 – www.permafast.co.uk

Gearbox overdrive: Overdrive Repair Services, Unit 1, 50 Rother Valley Way,
Holbrook, Sheffield S20 3RW

Engine Machining: Cotterell Engineering Ltd, Rear Of High Street Garage,
High Street, Clay Cross, Chesterfield S45 9DY - 01246 250459



Alan with his TR4 chassis



Chassis being built up on hydraulic lift



Front n/s suspension assembly



Front suspension assembly



TR4A rear suspension conversion





