

Triumph News

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Mechanical issues plagued Rich Roenigk's TR3A during his return home from the Carlisle Import Show. Fortunately, several highly skilled (?) Club members were able to keep the car warm & comfortable until *real* help (AAA rollback) arrived!

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The Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club is dedicated to the preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of all automobiles built by the Triumph Motor Company and its successors from 1923 through 1981. Annual membership is \$20.00 (\$15.00 if you opt for the electronic version). **Triumph News** is the official newsletter of **CPTC**: its objective is to encourage research related to Triumph automobile history and to disseminate technical and current/historic information to its members. **Triumph News** is published monthly.

CPTC will consider running commercial advertisement that is representative of maintaining interest in the preservation of the Triumph automobile as a service to its members. Interested businesses may contact Joe Laurito at 717-652-8636 or web@cptc.org to discuss placing an ad and available rates. All ads are subject to board review and approval.

Information found within this newsletter is believed to be of interest to the Triumph owner. Opinions expressed may or may not reflect the ideas of all officers and members. Technical material is provided for reference and should be used advisedly.

All material intended for **Triumph News** should be submitted to John Miele, Editor. Contact information: Phone ~ 717-566-7228 or email newsletter@cptc.org.

Ads for The Brokerage are free; they usually will run for several issues and must then be resubmitted. Ads should be received no later than the beginning of the third week of the month. Late arrivals will be printed when possible.

Visit www.cptc.org to view the club website, with an expanded calendar of events and photos.

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A Few Words From Our President ~ Rich Roenigk

As our Event-less Season is winding down, two shows did make the cut. The Carlisle Import show had a decent turnout; but it is becoming more evident that the Vintage car numbers are decreasing and the younger “tuner” car crowd is increasing. The obvious contrast is ... their tops don’t go down! I can’t imagine the fun in that.

The other show was AACA gathering held in Gettysburg, PA. Cars from 1903 to the eighties were there, all pristine with a wide variety to purview. One can see the evolution of the automobile on display. From no tops, one cylinder engines, some electric powered, to tops with no side curtains or windows.

Succeeding generations of cars showed an increase in size and horsepower as well as design changes to increase comfort. The British cars on display were very fine examples, including MGs, TR3B and 4 and Jaguars. Hopefully, this show has found a new home in Gettysburg and we will see it again.

With no racing at Watkins Glen this year, a small but determined contingent will make the trek anyhow on the weekend after Labor Day. Won’t be a problem to find a place to stay and a nice getaway that time of year. All are welcome to come along.

Our CPTC Summer picnic is scheduled for September 19th. Mary Ann found the location (Gifford Pinchot State Park) and it includes her great weather guarantee!

Stay Safe, Keep Calm and Motor On!

Rich





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2020 Calendar of Events

The caption **CPTC Event** means the event is sponsored by our Club.
 The caption **CPTC Event*** means the Club has a presence within the main event,
 such as our tent at the Carlisle Import Nationals.
 Visit www.cptc.org for updated event information.

- Aug. 28-30** **26th Annual British Car Festival - sponsored by the Central PA British Car Club. Host hotel - Fairfield Inn & Suites, 2915 Pleasant Valley Blvd., Altoona, PA 16602 - Group rate: \$91/night. Reserve at: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation> Use this link for event registration & information: <http://www.pabritishcar.com/>**
- Sept. 12-13** **Hay Creek Festival & Car Show - to be held at Joanna Furnace, 1250 Furnace Rd., Geigertown, PA 19523. All classic or antique vehicles and hot rods welcome. More info available at: <https://haycreek.org/hay-creek-festival/>**
- Sept. 19th** **CPTC Goodbye Summer Picnic - Join us for a good, old fashioned picnic in the Sunnyside pavilion (Conewago Day Use Area) at Gifford Pinchot State Park. Please consider donating an item for our Silent Auction. More information on P. 12**
- Oct. 17th** **America's British Reliability Run - one day only! Event benefits Shriners Hospitals for Children. More information on P. 7**
- Oct. 25th** **Fall Leaf Tour - a later date than usual to (hopefully) add some fall color to the tour! Pack a picnic lunch and bring along your chairs and warm personalities ... more information to follow.**

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Import & Performance Nationals

Carlisle, PA

Aug. 14-16, 2020

~ By Dennis Ward

Carlisle Import Show - I know, it is really the 'Import Kit Car and Performance Extravaganza' or something like that; but to me it is the Import Show. Friday was perfect. The sun was shining and the temps were not in the 90s. My TR4 started and ran perfectly, so the trip to the Fairgrounds was pleasant and uneventful. Upon arrival I was greeted by Joe Laurito who, along with a few others, had been manning the CPTC tent for several hours. We talked for about 5 minutes then I advised him that I needed to pay my dues. Covid-19 suppressing masks were in place; but it still came as a surprise when Joe asked for my name. After talking for five minutes ... and he has known me for 30 years. Well, we really haven't seen each other since the February board meeting and ... those masks. I'm glad I'm not the only one having trouble with names!



After chatting a bit longer with Joe, Rory, Mike Grove and others, I set off to scan the vendor booths for any goodies I might find. That didn't take long, as there were hardly any vendors. I have three wheels from an '85 VW Jetta GLI I want to sell. Usually, there are a half dozen VW vendors - today, none. Maybe tomorrow.

I checked out every vendor, reviewed the showcase cars, and returned to the CPTC tent. The crowd had increased a bit since my late morning arrival. I bought some Stoltzfus ham and cheese sandwiches (a tradition) and headed home to do my chores. A beautiful drive home as well.

Saturday morning was not as bright and it was slightly cooler than Friday. Instead of a blue sky with puffy clouds, I saw a gray overcast; but not ominous. Another nice drive through Cumberland County, and arrival at the CPTC tent, which was packed, yet socially distanced.



I was gratified to see a nicely filled-in show field, as well.

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Carlisle Import Show (Cont.)

The Club Corner



One of the most unusual sights on the show field was this Triumph Acclaim. The young woman sporting the body art did the extensive restoration work!



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Links to share:

Garage 101 - Transform an old garage into a restoration workshop for old sports cars - *Hemmings.com*

<https://www.hemmings.com/stories/category/our-rides>

**Submitted by John Krause*

Entry Level Classics - Hagerty.com
Triumph TR6 tops the list of entry level classic vehicles in this article from Hagerty media. Well worth the look!

<https://www.hagerty.com/media/valuation/under-15k-3-classics-with-wildly-different-personalities/>

**Submitted by Ron Weber*

Most Beautiful Car of 1952 - Siata
Chrysler 200CS. Hemi-powered, one-off sports car with a \$1.5M price tag.

<https://www.hemmings.com/classifieds/cars-for-sale/siata/unspecified/2423164.html>

**Submitted by Jay Snavelly*

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America's British Reliability Run One Day Only - October 17, 2020

Please note changes below:

Due to COVID-19 we will be holding a shortened event this year as at this time we do not have confidence in staying at hotels or eating inside restaurants. We are planning a one day "River Run" exploring the Delaware River towns, outside breakfast and lunch, a run up a vintage SCCA hill-climb road ending with a private tour of America On Wheels in Allentown, PA. We will reduce the entry fee and everything else; but are running for the kids at Shriners Hospitals for Children, this year to support their efforts to help treat kids with scoliosis.

Keep an eye on our PA website: <http://www.britishreliability.org/home-pa> for more details.



When changing the oil, remember to squeeze the car tightly!

**Submitted by John Krause*

****NEWS YOU CAN USE****

CPTC now has a Facebook group which will allow us to get club news to you quickly. You will also be able to post your Triumph adventures to the group when something good comes your way.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/773444003051724> and join the group or search for Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club on Facebook.

Carlisle Import Show (Cont.)

After spending some time with my fellow members, including these somewhat dubious looking chaps,



Dos Banditos

I headed for the vendor area. Although not up to the usual number, the turnout was much improved over Friday. No VW vendors, though, so the wheels sleep in my shed for another year.

Back to the club tent for some friendly chit-chat and Mary Ann's wonderful banana bread; and I was off, back to Mechanicsburg. Top stayed down, and only a light mist to greet me for a few minutes about half way home.

Unfortunately, I left the car sitting outside the garage. About 2 hours later, I realized it was raining steadily! I pulled under shelter and dried off the seats. Well, they've been wet before!

**Photos by Dennis Ward*

New Members Welcome!

The most recent additions to the CPTC ranks are:

**Daren Blickstein
Harrisburg, PA**

**Dennis Ryder
Seven Valleys, PA**

We're pleased to have you with us!



Howard Zlotoff's beautiful 1960 TR3A is happily at home parked in front of a very cool, period-restored gas station in Bowmansdale, PA.

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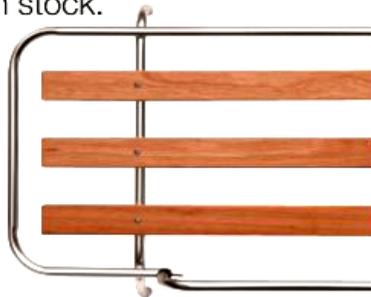
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TRIUMPH WINS 2020 DURYEA HILLCLIMB

Novice driver posts fastest-time-of-day in TR3A

Reading, PA August 17, 2020. The 68th and a half Duryea Hillclimb took place on Saturday, August 15th, commencing in City Park and finishing at the William Penn Fire Tower atop Mt. Penn. The event, sponsored by the Blue Mountain Region of the Sports Car Club of America, is run on the winding 2.6 mile Duryea Drive featuring 13 turns. The fastest time of the day was posted by a Triumph TR3A owned and driven by John Schmoyer of nearby Adamstown. Prior to this year a Triumph automobile had never been the overall winner of the event since its inception in 1951. Triumphs, however, were formidable competitors in the E-Production category with TR3's having won that class from 1959 through 1975.

It is believed to be the first time that a novice driver posted the fastest time of the day. While Schmoyer has been attending the Duryea HC since 1966 as a spectator, he had only decided on Friday to try his luck on the demanding course. "The 100 HP, OHV engine was certainly running on all cylinders and I was grateful that it did not overheat", Schmoyer was quoted as saying. Schmoyer also indicated that his winning time of 4:10:05 "could have been improved upon if not for having to avoid 3 or 4 cars coming in the opposite direction along with a Toyota RAV4 pulling out in front of me from Hill Road near Turn 6."

The 69th running of Duryea HC will be held August 2021. Schmoyer, being the solitary participant this year, anticipates having the usual 100+ competitors returning at that time, causing him to forego the event as a driver and return to his spectating role!



John Schmoyer proudly displays the somewhat tattered checkered flag from his big win as the sole competitor at this year's Duryea Hillclimb.

**Photo courtesy of a couple millennials who had nothing better to do ...*

John is a long-time contributor to Triumph News - his tales are much appreciated [Ed.]

Tidbits from the Quarantine

I hope they give us two weeks notice before sending us back out into the real world. I think we'll all need the time to become ourselves again. And by "ourselves" I mean lose 10 pounds, shave and get used to not drinking at 9:00 am!

New monthly budget:
Gas \$0 Clothes \$0 Entertainment \$0
Groceries \$2,799.

The dumbest thing I've ever bought was a 2020 planner.

**Looking to Buy an LBC ...
Or Planning to Sell Yours?**

Check out the Classified Section on **The Roadster Factory's website:**

[www.the-roadster-factory.com/
Classifiedsform.php](http://www.the-roadster-factory.com/Classifiedsform.php)

This free-to-list site contains numerous MGs and Triumphs offered for sale as well as listings for Triumph parts wanted to buy and for sale.

Worth a visit even if you're just browsing!

Home schooling science lesson went really well this week.



Next week - marketing and distribution.

**New Protocol for Purchase of
Club Regalia**

Holly's Embroidery is the exclusive embroiderer for our club. You can now select men's or women's styles in a wide range of clothing from the full inventory of Holly's catalog.

Call or email Holly with your request, telling her that you are a member of the Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club. She will calculate the cost of the item, embroidery and shipping and get back to you with a price. Pay with a check or credit card and the item will be shipped to your door. View her catalog at www.sanmar.com. Email HollysEmbroidery@comcast.net or call her at (717) 599-5975.



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Good-bye Summer Picnic
Gifford Pinchot State Park
Lewisberry, PA
September 19, 2020

Your CPTC Board has decided to try something a little different this year due to COVID-19 restrictions and the cost at the Elks Club. We are going to have an old fashioned picnic at Gifford Pinchot State Park!!!

A pavilion is reserved -Sunnyside- it is located in the Conewago Day use area (East side) of the lake. Follow Alpine Road from PA Rte. 177 or PA Rte. 74. CPTC will provide charcoal/paper products as well as flatware & tablecloths. You need to bring your own food/drinks/red solo cups/bag chairs and MASKS.

Please RSVP to Mary Ann by Sept. 14th by calling/texting 717-798-1922 or email Mab2beach@msn.com.

Also, **please consider donating an item to our fun Silent Auction** to help defray costs for the picnic. Contact info. is forthcoming. Thank You!!





The Brokerage

Where Buyers Meet Sellers

Disclaimer:

Items for sale are provided as a courtesy to members of the Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club (CPTC) and the readers of *Triumph News*. This section is provided solely to facilitate contact between Triumph enthusiasts and the use of this information shall create no liability or responsibility upon CPTC, or its Officers or Directors.

1980 Triumph TR7 - Brown exterior with original golden cloth seats, very comfortable. Top is in great shape. Five speed with new poly shifter bushings. Front calipers, all brake hoses, pads and shoes replaced. Spin on oil filter adapter installed. Two new tires and recent alignment. Owned this car for twelve trouble free years; but now the carbs need to be rebuilt. Asking \$2,200.00. Car is located in Lansford, PA. Phone or text Steve Redash (Non-member) at 570-640-7341 or email posearth@windstream.net for photos or more info. [Listed 8/20]

1975 Triumph Spitfire 1500 - White with black interior. I have owned this car since 1995. It has 21,000 original miles; factory hardtop (white) and tonneau cover included; stainless exhaust; original AM/FM (working) radio. Always garaged; not perfect, but a very good example of a nice original car. Great weekend driver or show quality with additional investment. Photos on request; car is located in Altoona, PA - \$9,500 Call Bob (Non-member) at 814-932-6634 or email: yahnerr1@gmail.com [Listed 5/20]

1971 Triumph TR6 - red /black interior, ground up restoration, virtually every part new or refurbished, headers and duals, inspected. Serious offers considered. Email for pix - Robert Logan (Non-member) boblogan61@gmail.com or call anytime: 610-401-0834. Car is located in Mohnton, PA. [Listed 2/20]

1973 Triumph TR6 - \$16,800. Pimento, 98,970 miles, engine rebuilt at 94,000, runs beautifully. Recently replaced the universal joints, differential and right rear axle. Overall excellent condition. I am the third owner for the last 14 years. Wire wheels with Michelin Red Line tires, also includes tonneau and boot cover. Original wheels available in fair condition. Call Neil Benjamin (Non-Member) at 215-256-1952 to leave message or email powerboat447@yahoo.com. Car is located in southeastern PA. [Listed 11/19]

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The Brokerage (Continued)

Car Parts:

Huge Number of Parts Available for TR3 thru TR6: If interested, contact Vic Nigro (Member) at 717-371-7157 or email him at VICNO303@comcast.net [Listed 9/20]

TR3 Roll Bar: Constructed of heavy wall, steel tubing and was used in a TR3A for hill climb events by the previous owner. It is a four-point mount to rear fender wells, utilizing four bolts and a heavy backing plate at each mounting point. Pictures provided upon request. \$200, pick-up only. Contact Ron Weber (Member) - Email: rmweber_99@yahoo.com [Listed 6/20]

TR3 Gas Tank: Fits post-TS60000 cars. Pressure tight - no leaks; should be cleaned and coated before use, \$75. Call or text Joe Laurito (Member) at 717-991-1428 or email trglory@hotmail.com [Listed 1/20]

Triumph wire wheels: matched set of 4 from the 1960's. They are in good condition with some surface rust; but can certainly be restored. Please make an offer - Pictures emailed upon request. Wheels are located in York, PA. Contact Steve Krieger (Non-member) at skrieg711@gmail.com [Listed 1/20]

Wanted for Triumph TR3: Fender Skirts or Spats in any condition. If you have a set that a pattern could be made from, that would also be helpful. Contact Dave (Member) at 717-887-4276 or email him at 1968gt6@gmail.com [Listed 4/19]



Attention CPTC Members

Membership Renewal - August 15th

The membership renewal date for
This Year Only is now
August 15th!
Thank you.

**Heritage Day at the
Star Barn Village & Car Show
October 12, 2020
Stone Gables Estate
1 Hollinger Lane
Elizabethtown, PA 17022
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

CARS, food concessions, petting zoo, tour Star Barn and other buildings and other fun activities.

Free admission for show participants.

Mary Ann has arranged for our club to park 12 plus cars on the paved parking lot; but you must go on-line to <https://stonegablesestate.com/car-registration/> to register. To register your car, enter the following in the section called 'Special Features of Car': Member of the Central PA Triumph Club *** It is important to register soon!

After you register please call, text, or email Mary Ann so she can keep track of who is coming: 717-798-1922 or email Mab2beach@msn.com. We will meet at 8:45 am (at location to be determined) in Elizabethtown; so we can drive in and park together. Self-photo by Star Barn until 9:30 am.

The Vintage Triumph Register

The Vintage Triumph Register (VTR) was founded to promote historic research, encourage sensible and accurate preservation of Triumph automobiles, maximize the enjoyment to be had from driving a Triumph and emphasize camaraderie and social interaction among Triumph owners. VTR welcomes all Triumph automobiles. Membership to VTR is \$35.00 USD, which includes six bi-monthly issues of *The Vintage Triumph* magazine.

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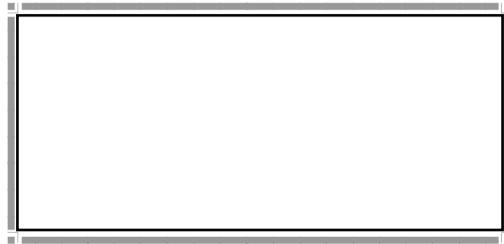
Your Help Is Needed!

To assist in our efforts to keep our membership information current, please email or call Rory Liebrum with changes in your contact information. Rory's email and phone are located on the second page of this newsletter...

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