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Triumphs, MGs and other vintage sports cars enter the streets of downtown Watkins Glen, NY for the parade lap during their recent Grand Prix Festival weekend. ***Photo by John Krause***

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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.

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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 to **CPTC** members; they usually will be run for two 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 ~ Tom Billett

Well, September has flown by! A small group from the Club motored to Watkins Glen for the Vintage Festival weekend. Seven cars - only three were Triumphs; but still a great weekend with a fine group of people. It's not the car you drive; it's the people that matter.

Because of the recent sale of Allenberry Resort, we moved our annual picnic to the Park Inn by Radisson on the Carlisle Pike in Mechanicsburg. The food and venue were excellent and everyone had a wonderful time. Unfortunately, we only had 43 attendees. If we, as a Board, are doing something wrong, please let us know because we are perplexed by the poor turnout. Were people busy with other things or just not interested in Club activities anymore? A lot of time and effort goes into planning events and there is some question as to whether we should continue, if the interest is not there.

I hate to harp about help for our Board members; but we really do need volunteers. Our webmaster would like to retire in the near future and no one else is ready to step into this position. And, overall, your Board really could use some help. If you have ideas, suggestions or a solution, please share them and help us keep this club alive and well.

On a much lighter note: the Fall Run is scheduled for Oct 16th. We will meet at the Cocoaplex Plaza, 1150 Cocoa Ave., Hershey, PA at 1:00 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Our next General Meeting is on Sunday, November 6th at 3:00 p.m. at Hoss's, just off Rte. 15 in Mechanicsburg, PA. This is the end of DST; so don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed Saturday night. We will be holding elections for Vice President, Treasurer and Webmaster. Please come and cast your vote.

Keep Calm and Motor On!

Tom

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2016 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.

Sept 24-25 **Meeting of the Marques - Carlisle, PA. Day One is the Artistry on Wheels Motorshow held in conjunction with the Harvest of the Arts Festival. Day Two is the Artistry in Motion Driving Tour. Join us for a fun day at the Festival and check out the fine British (and other) autos which will be on display. More information in this newsletter and at www.MeetingoftheMarks.com**

Oct. 6th **CPTC Board Meeting - 7:00 PM at the Billett's. Please call Tom at 717-469-2379, if you plan to attend.**

Oct 16th **Fall Leaf Tour - meet in the Cocoaplex Movie Theater parking lot (1150 Cocoa Ave.) in Hershey, PA at 1:00 PM for a 1.5 hour tour of Dauphin, Lancaster & Lebanon counties. Dinner to follow at Funck's Restaurant (644 W. Main St.) in Palmyra, PA around 3:00 PM. CPTC Event**

Nov 6th **CPTC General Meeting - 3:00 PM at Hoss's Steak & Sea House, Mechanicsburg, PA. Elections will be held for the offices of VP, Treasurer & Webmaster. All are urged to attend - let's have a great turnout for this very important meeting!**

Dec 4th **CPTC Christmas Party - Hershey Italian Lodge, 128 Hillcrest Rd., Hershey, PA. - 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Banquet Room. Italian buffet and cash bar. Gift exchange for those who wish to take part.**

Spotted on I-81



This *Classic Motorsports Magazine* TR3 racer was recently photographed heading north on I-81, probably to Lime Rock and then on to Watkins Glen.

** Submitted by John Krause*

Attention, CPTC Members!

If you are in the process of doing a full restoration and are doing much of the work yourself, please let us know! Mention your project to a Board member or send an email to: newsletter@cptc.org

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On My Way to the Glen ...



During a 'pit stop' on his way to Watkins Glen, CPTC member Rich Roenigk came across a familiar figure ... hitchhiking???

**Submitted by Rich Roenigk*

New Members .... Welcome!

The most recent additions to the CPTC ranks are:

Robert & Michele Switalski
Elizabethtown, PA
Owners of a '65 Triumph TR4A

We're pleased to have you with us!

A Taste of Britain
August 28, 2016

On a beautiful late summer's day, a number of CPTC members gathered in Rothsville, PA at the Forney Polo Field to participate in the British car show sponsored by the LANCO MG Club and stayed to cheer the Lancaster polo team on to victory over the visiting team from Delaware.

The day began with the arrival of nearly 200 British cars in a wide variety of makes and models. Lots of MGs …



A fine A-H 3000 …



One of several sharp Sunbeam Tigers …



And, of course, a few sparkling Triumphs from some of our own: the Frasso's TR6 in front of the Billett's TR4A …





Last, but hardly least, a gorgeous Jaguar XKE …

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A Taste of Britain (Continued)

And a very nicely done MG TD.



Then it was time to turn our attention to the Polo match … and to food & drink!



The introduction of the teams was followed by a spirited and closely played match, appreciated by all.

Photos by J. Miele

Some of the CPTC folks in attendance included the Billetts, Frassos, Mieles and Lovingers …



Later to be joined by Aaron & Kristy and the rest of the Hertzog family!



A fun time was had by all … and a great day for a drive in your LBC!

2016 Put-In-Bay Race Reunion

August 29th - 31st, 2016

~ By Cliff & Kathy Grube

Put in Bay, Ohio is a small village on South Bass Island, Lake Erie. In the fifties it was the site of sports car racing on the island's roads similar to that of Watkins Glen. In 2011, vintage racing returned to the island.



Like Watkins Glen, there are parade laps on the old route thru town; but the real racing is now confined to a course set up on the island's airfield. There are only 150 year round residents on the island; but is a summer tourist destination with hourly ferry service from the mainland.



'Waiting on the ferry'

The main means of island transportation is by way of golf carts which are readily available; but during the three race days at the end of August, the town is also populated by vintage sports cars.





This is a fantastic place with interesting restaurants, a large marina and park, a winery, and a 352 foot tall monument commemorating Commodore Perry's victory in the War of 1812.

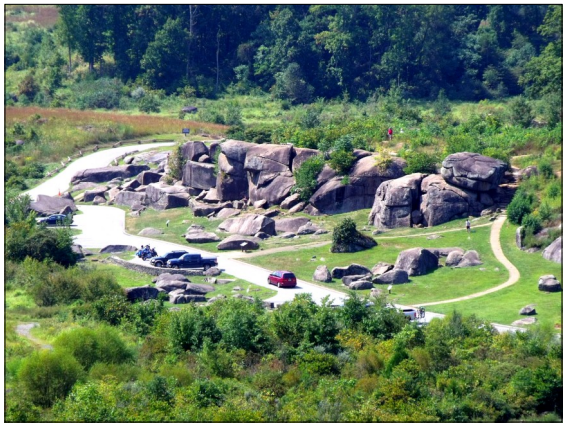
And, yes, there were Triumphs.

Gettysburg Battlefield Tour
Sept. 10, 2016

Well, the day of our tour of the historic Gettysburg Battlefield arrived, with temps in the mid-nineties. Our guide, Jeff Small, had his MGB break down en route and Denny Dilger's TR6 died in his driveway. *Other than that Mrs. Lincoln, how did you like the play???*



Re-enactors enhanced the effect by recreating portions of this epic battle which altered the course of the Civil War.



The aptly named Devil's Den ...



The Pennsylvania Monument - honoring those brave souls of the Pennsylvania Regiment who fought there.

Both Jeff & Denny soon joined the group and Jeff did an excellent job of providing historical & in-depth details of the battle.



After a day of heat and humidity, we took refuge in the Pike Restaurant for some food, beverages and football!

**Many Thanks to Tom Miceli (photos/ text) and Jeff Small (tour) for their efforts.*

Goodbye Summer Picnic
Sept. 18, 2016
Mechanicsburg, PA

CPTC's annual picnic was held this year at the Park Inn by Radisson and was held indoors due to the threat of severe thunderstorms, which, of course, did NOT occur!

Regardless of the weather, there was tasty picnic-style food aplenty!



After lunch, it was time to prepare for the much anticipated Silent Auction ...



Lots of great items were generously donated … with enough variety to suit everyone's taste!



Many thanks to Bill Shover who offered his time to coordinate the auction and also serve as our auctioneer.



A big 'Thank You' also is due to those companies and those CPTC members whose kind donations made the auction a rousing success!

**Photos by Joe Laurito & John Miele*

'Fast Pursuit Car' Update



This restored 1964 Triumph TR4 'Fast Pursuit Car' used by the constabulary of the Southend on Sea Borough of Essex County, UK was offered for sale in a recent issue of *Hemmings Motor News* -

Asking price: $79,000 OBO

Meeting of the Marques Festival
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Vintage racing through the streets in the city of Coatesville, PA. For information on this first-time event, please see: http://www.coatesvillegrandprix.com/home.html



A Little Help, Please!

Our Webmaster, Joe Laurito, could use a little help. What he really needs is assistance in maintaining our Club website. If you've any interest in the cyber world, contact Joe and he will have you 'coached up' in no time. You won't be responsible for the website … his need is for help with updates and maintenance. Please contact him at 717-652-8636 or web@cptc.org

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The Brokerage

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1951 Riley RMB Saloon – Color: Brown; rare left hand drive; bins of spare parts; clean AZ title; condition: restorable; car is located in Scottsdale, AZ; Price: $7000. Contact Steven Stralser (Non-member) at 602-540-4837 or Stralser@gmail.com For more info., see link to Hemmings ad at **http://www.hemmings.com/classifieds/cars-for-sale/riley/rmb/1815100.html** [Listed 8/16]

1957 TR3 (small mouth) - Blue exterior, 54,000 miles, electric overdrive, hundreds of spare parts. The car is in excellent condition; but is an unfinished restoration which has been in our family for 50 years. The vehicle is located in Berkeley Springs, WV. Complete description & photos available at: http://washingtondc.craigslist.org/mld/cto/5659276680.html Price: $22,500 with spare parts, OBO without. Contact Mark Schwenk (Non-member) at 304-676-4599 or mark@frogvalley.com [Listed 7/16]

1962 Triumph Spitfire - Restoration project/parts car; located in Northampton, PA; reasonable offers considered. Call Mary (Non-member) at 814-317-5578 for photos and more information. [Listed 6/16]

1971 TR6 Project - Ran when parked; 3 fenders done, balance of car to finish. Two extra doors, hardtop, new interior still in bags - $4000. Please contact Bob Logan (Member) at boblogan61@gmail.com or call 610-401-0834. [Listed 5/16]

1968 Triumph GT6 Mk1 Fastback - all new brake components, complete fuel system w/Stromberg carbs, lights, wiring & electrical system, windshield, radiator … over $8000 in parts during the 3 year restoration. Owned since 1974 – car always garaged. $9995 OBO. Call or text John Beck (Non-member) at 412-605-9067 or email john.beck@fcfins.com . Link to vehicle photos: http://www.the-roadster-factory.com/Classifiedsform.php [Listed 2/16]

1968 Triumph TR4A - Red with black top/interior. Ground up restoration completed in 2009; driven 450 miles since. Garaged, never driven in inclement weather. Pertronix electronic ignition, concealed battery disconnect, fire extinguisher, solid birds eye maple wood dash, silver painted wire wheels, car cover, shop manual, extra red paint. In excellent condition and runs good. Has new style antique auto tag, transferable. Asking $25,000.For more information contact Charlie Benner (Member) at 717-898-2638. [Listed 12/15]

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The Brokerage (Continued)

PARTS & EQUIPMENT

Rebuilt TR6 Engine - Head & block done by Dorman Machine in Mill Hall, PA. All new bearings, pistons, internals; rebuilt carbs; head, timing chain cover & pan gaskets not installed so buyer can verify work; photos upon request; may visit to inspect. Price: $3000, $2500 w/o carbs & intake manifold. Contact Chad (Member) at 570-295-7069 or email chad.l.sample@gmail.com [Listed 8/16]

Interior panels - New wheel arch panels, black, purchased for '67 Triumph GT6, Spit Bits price is $160 + S & H. Will sell for $110. Contact Ken Drye (Member) - email: akdrye@gmail.com or call 301-271-4042. [Listed 3/16]

Triumph parts - American Racing Lemans wheels that were previously on a TR6. They fit the TR4, TR4A, TR250 and MGA as well. TR3 driver's side door - good condition, with some surface rust. Rubber floor mat, white with Triumph logo, fits TR4 - TR6. If interested, I will forward photos. Reasonable offers accepted. Please call Alex (Non-member) at 717-564-0867 in York, PA. [Listed 12/15]

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The Triumph Lunch Bunch

The next meeting of the **Lunch Bunch** will take place at noon on **Thursday**, October 20, 2016 at John's Diner, 146 Sheraton Drive, New Cumberland, PA. Take Exit 40A (Limekiln Road) off I-83. If you enjoy great company, engaging conversation and good food, consider joining them on their next outing. Please call Diane at 717-761-1741, so she can include you in their reservation.

Your Help Is Needed!

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

Stuff That's Good to Know

Need an extra set of keys for your LBC ? Duty's Lock Safe & Security, Inc., located at 3101 Gettysburg Road, Camp Hill, PA, has key blanks for most makes of British cars - stop in or give them a call 717-761-6337

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 and includes 4 issues of *The Vintage Triumph* magazine and newsletter. Write to: VTR-E-New Membership, PO Box 655, Howell, MI, 48844 or visit **www.vtr.org** for more information and a membership application.

CPTC Events Coordinator

Tom Miceli
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If you'd like to volunteer a little time to help Tom coordinate our various Club events or if you have any suggestions for events or additional Club activities, please feel free to share them with him.

Membership Renewal Information

The membership renewal date for **all CPTC members** is now June 1st of each year! Please bear with us through this transition as we simplify the renewal process for all concerned. Thank you.

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