

TRIUMPH NEWS

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A 1972 Stag graces the entrance to Triumph Rescue in Bally, PA. Owner Mike Nitroy plays a vital role in the Triumph Rescue team.

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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 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

The Welcome Spring party at the West Shore Elks on Sunday April 2nd was a huge success. Forty-seven members of the club had a few hours of socializing and a great buffet. The food and the venue were awesome! If you missed out on that party don't fret, our summer picnic will be held at the Elks Club Picnic Grounds in September.

You still have time to make plans to join us for the Spring Run on April 30th. I hope we have a nice turnout. I'll write more in next month's newsletter.

I recently got all of our Triumphs up and running - and all at the same time, if you can believe that ... with the help of some knowledgeable and good friends. The 4A had an issue with the Pertronix Ignitor kit; so we installed the old school points and condenser and it's now running like a champ. Thanks again, guys, for all your help. I'll restock the fridge for the next round!

Remember to check our newsletter and website for upcoming events and all the latest CPTC news.

Keep Calm and Motor On!

Tom



Artistry on Wheels Motorshow
September 23

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September 24

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2017 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.

- April 30th** **Spring Run - Tour the back roads of Cumberland & Adams counties with organizers Marty & Jane Shoop. Dinner to follow at the Mayapple Restaurant. Meet at Sam's Club, Mechanicsburg, PA at 12:30 PM. More info on P. 12 of this newsletter. CPTC Event**
- May 4th** **CPTC Board Meeting at the Miele's home - 7:00 PM. Please call Tom at 717-469-2379, if you plan to attend.**
- May 13th** **Marysville Spring Car Show: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. \$10 Preregistration \$12 - Day of event. Held at Susquenita High School, Duncannon, PA. Proceeds benefit the 'Save our Pool' org. Call Kim at 717-957-3110 for registration & information.**
- May 19-21** **Carlisle Import Show - Carlisle Fairgrounds, Carlisle, PA. Registration information at www.carlisleevents.com CPTC Event***
- June 1st** **CPTC Board Meeting at the Krause's home - 7:00 PM. Please call Tom at 717-469-2379, if you plan to attend.**
- June 3rd** **Moss Motorfest - Petersburg, VA. See www.mossmotors.com for event details & accommodations. See notice on P. 10**

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2017 Calendar of Events (continued)

- June 3rd** **Cars & Motorcycles of England, Oakbourne Mansion, Westtown, PA. Sponsored by Delaware valley Triumphs - www.dvtr.org**
- June 9-11** **The Elegance at Hershey - Hillclimb (invitation only) & car show at the Hotel Hershey, Hershey, PA. Proceeds benefit Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, AACA Library & AACA Museum. www.TheEleganceatHershey.com**
- June 10th** **Reading Run - Meet at Ephrata Cloister, Ephrata, PA. Rain date: June 11th. More information to follow. CPTC Event**
- June 16-17** **Bellefonte Cruise, Bellefonte, PA. More information to follow.**
- July 6th** **CPTC Board Meeting at the Shoop's home - 7:00 PM. Please call Tom at 717-469-2379, if you plan to attend.**
- July 9th** **British Invade Gettysburg (BIG) - Gettysburg Outlet Shoppes. More information to follow.**
- Aug. 3-5** **TRF Summer Party 2017 - Driving events, car show, Field Party picnic, T-shirt. See www.the-roadster-factory.com for more details and registration information.**
- Aug. 15-20** **VTR Convention - Princeton, NJ. Funkana, Autocross, Rallies and Tech Sessions. See notice in this newsletter or VTR2017.ORG for more information.**
- Sept.7-10** **Watkins Glen Vintage GP - Watkins Glen, NY. Information to follow.**
- Sept. 17th** **CPTC Picnic - West Shore Elks picnic grounds, Camp Hill, PA.**
- Sept. 21st** **Six Pack Trials - Hershey Lodge, 325 University Drive, Hershey, PA. TR6 gathering - More information to follow.**
- Sept. 23-24** **Meeting of the Marques - Carlisle, PA. Held in conjunction with the Festival of the Arts. Sponsored by SVVSCC. More info to follow.**
- Oct. 15th** **CPTC Fall Run - hosted by Bob & Tina Krivenko. Details to follow.**
- Dec. 3rd** **CPTC Christmas Party - Hershey Italian Lodge, Hershey, PA.**
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Welcome Spring Party West Shore Elks April 2, 2017

Finally ... a lovely spring day in PA - just in time for CPTC's Spring Party! About 45 club members gathered at the West Shore Elks in Camp Hill for an afternoon of fun, camaraderie and great food.



A couple of Triumphs even showed up; so you know it had to be a good day!



There was plenty of time to catch up with friends and sit back with a beverage ...



Before partaking of a delicious buffet prepared by the very capable Elks staff.



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Spring Party (Continued)



Following dessert, President Tom Billett, Events Coordinator Tom Miceli, Cliff Grube and Treasurer Marty Shoop updated us on some of the scheduled and proposed driving events for the coming season, including the Spring Run which is planned for April 30th - meet in the Sam's Club parking lot in Mechanicsburg at 1:00 PM for a 55-mile tour of scenic Pennsylvania countryside - dinner at the Mayapple Restaurant - should be fun!

Many thanks to the staff of the West Shore Elks Club for their friendly and courteous service ... and excellent food - A very nice venue!

**Photos by Joe Laurito & John Miele*

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

Letter to the Editor

So, I was channel surfing the other day when I came across a neat old British movie on TCM - Blithe Spirit, with Rex Harrison and Constance Cummings, 1945. The film was about a man (Harrison) who was married to his second wife after wife #1 (Cummings) died several years before. A séance brings wife #1 back to the house as a ghost ... and creepy hilarity ensues.

Mr. Harrison goes for a drive in his convertible and Mrs. Ghost decides to hitch a ride. Boy, that car's grille really looked familiar ...



It was a Triumph Dolomite! I later checked online to be sure - Pretty cool car. Note the greenish looking lady in the driver's seat!

Denny Ward



20th Annual Britain on the Green April 30, 2017

The Capital Triumph Register proudly announces that the 20th Annual Britain on the Green (BOG) will be held at historic Gunston Hall, the colonial home of patriot George Mason. BOG, which welcomes all British cars and motorcycles, is one of the premier all-British shows in the metropolitan DC area. Details at: <http://www.capitaltriumphregister.com/bog/>

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email _____	To join DVT, include a separate check for \$25 payable to "DVT". Show info hotline (610) 825-2617 or klascacpa@aol.com Oakbourne Mansion Information: www.oakbournemansion.org									
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June 9 - 11, 2017
**Proceeds benefit Juvenile Diabetes
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 More information at
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Nationals 2016 - Part II

A Triumph Sports Car Club of South Africa (TSCC) Event.

~ By Gertjan van de Klashorst



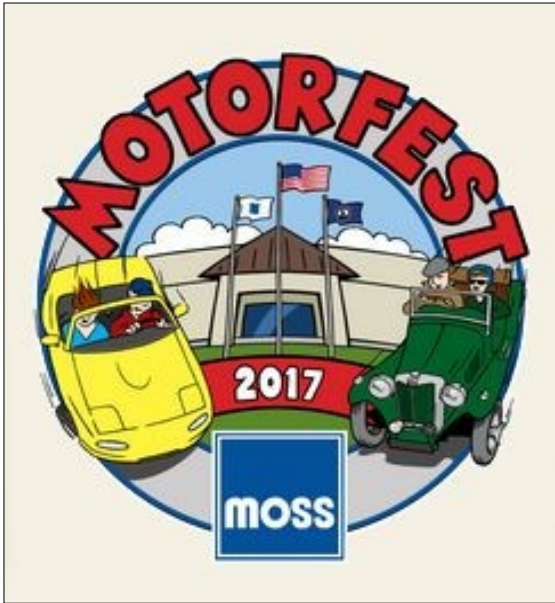
As I had been at a few Nationals before, the rest of the week consisted of greeting old friends, BBQ, cleaning the car, beauty contest (for the cars), gymkhana and then, goodbye ... see you in 2 years. The daily temperature was fine for me, as it was around 75* F. May is mid-autumn in the southern hemisphere - It is light at 6:00 AM and quickly dark at 6:00 PM.



At 7:00 AM on Saturday, we started making our way back to Pretoria. Cathy was to take a flight from George and Nols and I drove in a convoy of three cars towards Bloemfontein, some 500 miles north. Sometimes the engine of the TR7 faltered a bit; but when you pushed the throttle pedal, it ran better again. About 100 km before Bloemfontein, the engine hiccupping greatly increased. We managed to get a room and started on the engine of the TR7 to locate the source of the hiccup.

The cause remained unclear on Sunday morning and I was getting worried because I had a Monday afternoon flight to Europe and a solution to the problem had not been found. Around noon, Nols called and requested a truck to get us to Bloemfontein where a TR friend has a Classic Car garage and workshop. The car was loaded on the flat bed and took us to Bloemfontein. The owner of the garage was there and the problem was further looked into.

The conclusion was the electronic ignition. The owner of the garage invited us to stay at his home. Later, we had a few drinks and then dinner - great hospitality! We decided we would continue with the garage owner's car so I could catch my flight. The TR7 would be repaired during the week. Nols would come back the next weekend and swap cars. Early Monday morning we set off to Pretoria, collected my luggage, drove to Johannesburg airport and flew back home - It just worked out. And I still hadn't seen one of those magnificent animals South Africa is so famous for. Maybe next time ...



**2017 Moss Motorfest
June 3, 2017**

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This great event will be the featured event at the 2017 VSCDA Blackhawk Classic at Blackhawk Farms Raceway in Rockton, IL on June 16-18, 2017. The track is perfect for small bore production racing and perfect for spectators.

The host hotel for the event is the Hampton Inn Beloit, located 15 minutes from the track. The rate is \$120.60/night.

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Triumph Rescue Tech Session

April 1, 2017

Bally, PA



Owner Matt Bakes (right) & Mike Nitroy welcome a large crowd of enthusiasts from DE Valley Triumph, Lanco MG Club and CPTC to Triumph Rescue's Tech Session.



This year's topics centered on spring prep and maintenance tips to get your car ready for the driving season and to keep it in good running condition.



Some of the CPTC folks who made the trek to Bally settle in for some updates on cooling systems (check hoses often for cracks; replace anti-freeze every 3-4 yrs); fuel system (ethanol can soften fuel lines and erode aluminum in carburetors); suspension (replace rubber bushings with urethane; look over chassis and suspension on a lift; grease U-joints and check differential & wheel bearings) and remember to change brake fluid every few years.

A couple more tips to consider: Take pictures during a project so you can be sure how it all goes back together! Another tip that may not be well known is to always replace fuses with a British-rated fuse. If you have to replace a fuse with an American-rated fuse, choose a fuse rated at half the amperage of the British fuse to prevent overloading the circuit and risking wiring damage ... or a fire!

After the session, it was time to look at some of the ongoing projects and enjoy another great luncheon prepared by Matt's wife, Beth!

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T R Tech Session (Continued)



A couple of TR3As in varying stages of the restoration process.

Many thanks to Matt & Beth Bakes and the entire Triumph Rescue staff for their efforts in hosting this session. Remember Triumph Rescue when your LBC requires maintenance or restoration services!

**Photos by Joe Laurito & John Miele*

NEED TIRES (TYRES)?

The tires on our classic cars normally require replacement because of age rather than wear. So, should you spend a lot of money on a high end replacement tire? I read in the March 2017 issue of Classic Motorsports Magazine about a classic tire that Hankook released a few years ago, sold under the brand Laufenn.

The motto for the Laufenn brand is "Journey in Style." But only if it's simple, read a press release: meaning no motorsports sponsorship, no Chris Forsberg, no drifting up Pikes Peak. "Laufenn is simple," promised a press release, "with no add-ons and nothing to spoil the customer's driving experience."

Classic Motorsports says Laufenn's G FIT AS all-season tire comes in classic-friendly, 13- and 14-inch diameters. Tire Rack offers the 175/70R13 size for a little more than \$40 each.

Laufenn may be worth checking out the next time you need tires on your classic.

**Submitted by John Krause*

~ Spring Run ~
April 30th - 12:30 PM

Meet at Sam's Club , 6520 Carlisle Pike,
Mechanicsburg, PA - Intersection of
US Rte. 11 & PA Rte. 114 (rear parking lot)
Early dinner to follow at Mayapple Restaurant



The Brokerage

Where Buyers Meet Sellers

1971 Triumph TR6 - Laurel green (repaint 2010) with beige interior and black top. 66,237 miles; mechanical & carburetion upgrades, original interior, always garaged, walnut dash, Moto Lita steering wheel, great condition. Car is located in Syracuse, NY. Comm.# CC6178L. Photos & info. Available - asking \$19,000. Call Paul (Non-member) after 6:00 PM at 315-378-6805 or email pseale@twcny.rr.com [Listed 4/17]

1974 Triumph Spitfire - Rust free car; silver w/black interior; overall decent condition with many new parts but engine work is needed - \$2500, OBO. Car is located in Maytown, PA. If interested, contact Rich Roenigk (Member) at: rroenigk@aol.com [Listed 3/17]

1975 Triumph TR6 - Restoration completed 3 years ago; 3500 miles since. Rebuilt engine with street-able performance parts, J-type overdrive, new interior, good top, new metal fenders, good tub & frame, Mimosa w/black interior - very good driver quality car, located in the Pittsburgh area. Asking price - \$15,000. May consider a trade for a TR7 or TR8. Email Pat Ledford (Non-member) at dpledford@gmail.com for photos and additional information. [Listed 2/17]

1981 Triumph TR7 - Fair condition \$3,500 OBO. Mileage 61,502. Repainted in original color (Bordeaux Red) about 12 years ago. Newer tan convertible top, original tan interior. Needs new tires and has some minor electrical hiccups. Last worked on at Triumph Rescue. Garage kept since 1999 - Presently in Hackettstown, NJ. Contact owner (Non-member) via email: mybluedaisies@comcast.net or text (preferred) to: 973-906-6572 [Listed 11/16]

1973 Mercedes 450 SL Coupe - This is a rare coupe, white with light blue interior. Ran when stored in 1991. Slight damage to fender, or quarter, and some minor rust on floor pan. All original parts - \$2,000. Call Sam (Non-member) at 717-253-5849 for more information. Car is located in Hanover, PA. [Listed 11/16]

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]

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The Brokerage (Continued)

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. Antique auto tag, transferable. Asking \$25,000. Contact Charlie Benner (Member) at 717-898-2638. [Listed 12/15]

PARTS & EQUIPMENT

All four fenders for 1974-1/2 TR6 - varying amounts of reparable rust. Three Michelin 185 R 15 red line tires with decent tread (for show purposes only) - make offer. Right rear fender for 1972 (?) TR6 with small ding on corner above tail light. - \$285 Trunk lid - rust on rear lip - repaired with metal; needs filler to smooth welds - \$325. Roll bar - \$250. Bruce Hartzell (Non-member), Wyomissing, PA. Email or call rbhartzell@yahoo.com or 610-775-5332 (8 am to 6 pm). [Listed 4/17]

Stow-able Top and Frame - fits '62 -'70 MGB. Top is in good shape; black with the original two piece frame from my '65 MGB. \$350. Willing to consider trade for a nice, period correct luggage rack. Call Jeff (Member) at 717-574-2775. [Listed 10/16]

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]

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The Triumph Lunch Bunch

The next meeting of the **Lunch Bunch** will take place at noon on **Thursday**, May 18, 2017 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.



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,
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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.



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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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FIRST CLASS



1972 Triumph TR6
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