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An assemblage of LBCs - British roadsters line the parking lot of the Ephrata Cloister at the start of the Reading Run. Photo: J. Laurito

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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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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

With the official start of summer upon us and the 4th of July right around the corner, our summer driving fun is in full gear.

On Saturday June 10th, Cliff Grube and Jerry Frasso hosted the Reading Run. It started with a tour of the Ephrata Cloister settlement and then a leisurely drive through beautiful Berks County to the restored Wernersville train station, (Jerry invested many hours of hard work there) and then on to the Haag's Hotel for a late lunch/early dinner. All in all, a wonderful day and drive. Thanks again, guys, for all the prep work you did to make this another successful Reading Run!

Our next Club outing is now scheduled for July 30th - revised date for the tour! A trip to the Union Canal Tunnel Park outside of Lebanon for a ride through the "tunnel" on a 19th century barge. Sounds interesting - Mark your calendars!

Sue recently talked me into buying another car. I'll write about that in next month's newsletter.

Have fun driving this summer and please, be safe. Keep up to date on the latest Club news & happenings on our website and in the newsletter.

Keep Calm and Motor On!

Tom



Artistry on Wheels Motorshow
September 23

Artistry in Motion Driving Tour
September 24

Saturday's Motorshow is held in conjunction with Carlisle's 36th annual Harvest of the Arts Festival
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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.

- 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 on P.10 of this newsletter & at www.lancomgclub.com
- July 15th** 37th Annual British Car Day - Schenley Park, Pittsburgh, PA. Pre-register by July 1st - \$30/car. \$40 /car on day of event. More info at www.wptriumph.org
- July 30th** Union Canal Boat Tour - Lebanon, PA. Leave from Hollywood Casino in Grantville at 10:30 AM. NEW info & Date on P. 12. CPTC Event
- 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. 16-19** VTR Convention - Princeton, NJ. Funkana, Autocross, Rallies and Tech Sessions. See 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.

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BRITISH MOTOR TRADE ASSOCIATION

2017 Calendar of Events (continued)

- Sept. 21st** **Six Pack Trials - Hershey Lodge, 325 University Drive, Hershey, PA. gathering - National convention of Triumph TR6/250 clubs. More information at: <https://6-pack.org/6packtrials2017/>**
- Sept. 23rd** **Coatesville VGP - Vintage racing through the streets of Coatesville, PA - Like Watkins Glen of yesteryear! Proceeds benefit Coatesville Parks & Rec Department. See: www.coatesvillegrandprix.com/**
- 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.**

British Car Day



Presented by the
Western Pennsylvania
Triumph Association

**Saturday
July 15, 2017
Schenley Park
Pittsburgh, PA**

Pre-registration
deadline: July 1

CPTC Run to Ride the Union Canal Tunnel Park Canal Boats

Friends of the Union Canal Tunnel Park (FUCTP)

In April, 1950, the Lebanon County Historical Society purchased the Union Canal Tunnel, which was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 1, 1974. Throughout the years, many volunteers have donated their services at the Tunnel, together with county donated manpower, to maintain and prepare it as a recreational site open to the public.



The Union Canal Tunnel Park, located at 25th Street and Union Canal Drive, was dedicated by the Lebanon County Historical Society on October 9, 1988. The Union Canal Tunnel was designated a National Historic Landmark by the Secretary of the Interior on April 19, 1994. The Park is maintained by a group of volunteers known as Friends of the Union Canal Tunnel Park.

**Union Canal Tunnel Park Tour
July 30, 2017**

Revised Tour Date!

Reading Run June 10, 2017



The 2017 edition of the Reading Run began at the historic Ephrata Cloister in Ephrata, PA. The Cloister was founded in 1732 as a Protestant German community of nearly 80 celibate men & women who led lives of strict discipline to create art and music, publish books and construct impressive buildings reflecting their Old World heritage.



Our merry band then headed off to the next part of our adventure- a tour of the

picturesque farms in Lancaster & Berks counties and the popular (1920s -50s) South Mountain resorts of an earlier era.



Then it was on to the recently restored Wernersville Train Station which served the South Mountain resorts by bringing in wealthy vacationers from many parts of the East coast.



CPTC's own Jerry Frasso played a large part in the station restoration by doing nearly all the wiring required to bring the station up to modern electrical safety standards.

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Reading Run (Continued)



Our Station host, Dick Schuster, gave us a lot of the history of the station and the huge amount of effort and funding it took to bring the station back to it's original condition.



Then we were on the road again, this time to our final destination - Haag's Hotel in Shartlesville, PA for some good food and liquid refreshment after a day of warm temps and sunny skies!



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Reading Run (Continued)

Many thanks to Cliff Grube and Jerry Frasso for their efforts into putting this run together. These guys have a real penchant for combining American history and culture with twisty country roads, British roadsters and alcohol ...

What could possibly go wrong? 🍷😊

**Photos by Joe Laurito & John Miele*



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of the Triumph GT6*

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<https://6-pack.org/6packtrials2017/>

VTR National Meet August 16-19, 2017

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Coatesville Invitational Vintage Grand Prix September 23, 2017

Registration is now open! Deadline is July 15th!

Proceeds go to benefit the Coatesville
Department of Parks and Recreation.



MotorFest 2017

Petersburg, VA

June 3, 2017

~ By Cliff Grube

Everyone owning a Triumph is familiar with Moss Motors and probably was aware that the company was going to hold MOTORFEST 2017 early in June. This is the second such event that Moss has hosted, the first being 2 years ago. I understand the first event was hampered by bad weather and perhaps poor planning; but this year was to be different and, boy, was it ever! Most of our members know Moss as a west coast company that also had a small satellite operation in New Jersey a few years ago. Today, in addition to its Goleta, CA location, Moss has this gigantic facility in Petersburg, VA as well as three locations in England and one in Paris, France. Moss brought in additional staff from the California location to be sure everything went off seamlessly and it sure was evident.

Friday night was deemed “Meet Your Heroes” where important people from the industry were inducted into “The British Sports Car Hall of Fame”. Now some of those inductees could not be there, such as Sir John Black, Sir William Lyons, Cecil Kimber and I’m sure you know why; but many inductees such as Graham Robson, John Twist, Michael Cook, and many others were there. I was pretty busy with the wine and hors d’oeuvres; but I did hear the names Bob Tullius and Kas Kastner mentioned. Inside the vestibule were perhaps 12 cars of distinction on loan for the event as well as an equal number outside on display.



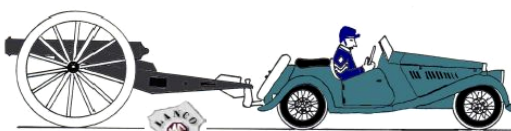
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MotorFest 2017 (Continued)

Saturday's event was basically a huge car show of the type of cars that Moss supplies, old British roadsters and Miatas. No Hondas, no 1955 Chevys, no Bentleys - A real nice show in perfect weather. There were facility tours and the Chairman of Moss, Robert Goldman, was our host. Here is a guy who knows his business, knows his products, and humorously answered all our questions as we walked though this massive warehouse. We spent quite a bit of time in the upholstery manufacturing area and there were employees sewing carpets kits, seat covers and even the cutting of a leather hide using a computer controlled table. They also were fabricating full seats which I think were for MGTCs - our guide mentioned they are probably on their third restoration. It was a fun, informative and impressive event!

**Photos by Cliff Grube*

17th Annual British Invade Gettysburg



British Motorcar and Motorcycle Show

Sunday, July 9th 2017

9:00am - 1:00pm
(Rain or Shine)

Open to all British cars and Motorcycles.
Dash plaques to the first 250.

Pre-Registration Fee: \$10.00 (\$15.00 Day of Show)

To receive the Gettysburg Travel Planner in the mail I need the Pre-Registration by June 17th
Make checks payable to: **LANCO MG CLUB**
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My Trip to Lilypons

Adamstown, MD

June 4, 2017

~ By Rich Roenigk

Lilypons is always an interesting show. Not a bad drive from York and the Sunday traffic is bearable. The all-British car show welcomes all marques and years; this year had representatives from 1940 to 2017. I had my surrey TR4 prepped a month ago and it was its time for a road trip. The drive was great; but as I entered the show field, the engine died.

Since it has an electric fuel pump, I suspected that right away. Based on prior experiences with them, I was off to the local auto parts store. My car is still positive ground and the store only had negative ground pumps. Back to the show, put old pump back on and changed fuses ... as I can do that!

Bingo, it started up and got me out of the show and a mile down the road ... then it died again. I rapped on the pump with a hammer, another mile, dies once more. Repeated this two more times 'til I found a big shade tree to park under and call AAA for assistance.

But, out of this bad luck story comes the opportunity to meet new people. Scotty from Monkton, MD offered his services. The picture shows his "rig"! His perfect TR3B rides in grand style on his custom vintage transporter.



Scotty is an awesome guy whom I plan to get to know better and see his farm and car collection.

Now for some more research on electric fuel pumps and figuring out what to do!

**Photo by Rich Roenigk*

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

Blonde Bomber Auction

~ By Tom Billett

On Saturday, March 18th John Krause, Scott Suring and I ventured to Shippensburg to the Dan Hershey Auctioneering Service. An auction was held to disburse the lifetime collection of Bill Carter. Carter, AKA the “Blonde Bomber”, was well known in the 1950’s as a famed stunt driver for the Joie Chitwood Thrill Show.

His collection was amazing! Everything and anything to do with oil/gas related advertising.

Oil and gas cans, porcelain signs, gas pumps, shop equipment, toy advertising, clocks and thermometers ... anything you could think of.

It was fun to see the prices paid for many of these items. Of course we each came home with an item or two for our own collections! A nice break from the winter doldrums.

**Photos by Tom Billett*



Union Canal Boat Tour New Tour Date Announced! July 30, 2017

Join fellow CPTC members for a boat tour of the Union Canal in Lebanon, PA.

We will depart from Hollywood Casino in Grantville at 10:30 AM; take a short tour through Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery to honor our fallen heroes and continue to the Union Canal Tunnel Park for a 12:30 PM, narrated boat ride. The fee is \$8/person (exact change would be helpful - the boat tour is an optional part of the ride).

Late lunch/early dinner to follow on the outdoor deck of the Quentin Tavern.



The Brokerage

Where Buyers Meet Sellers

1963 Triumph TR4 - Car belongs to a longtime Triumph enthusiast who began restoration on the car; but cannot complete assembly due to serious health issues. All the hard work has been done. The car has a rolling chassis, rebuilt motor and everything required to finish the car. The panels are ready for paint. The car is located in the York, PA area. Asking \$8K. Call 717-697-9762 and leave a message. [Listed 7/17]

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]

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

Triumph TR4/250 survey top - Top is in excellent condition and is complete with an aluminum center piece. These survey tops are very desirable and you seldom see them for sale. This survey top is located in the York, PA area. Asking \$4000. Call 717-697-9762 and leave a message. [Listed 7/17]

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**, July 20, 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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more information
and a membership
application.



CPTC Events Coordinator

Tom Miceli

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Email: tr-tom@comcast.net

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.

Twenty-eighth Annual
"A Taste Of Britain"
British Vehicle Show
Hosted by the LANCO MG Club
Dash Plaques to the first 175 Vehicles - No Judging

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2017
Forney Polo Field - 70 Church Street, Rothsville, PA 17543
GPS Latitude N 40 08 49 or N 40 08 52; Longitude W 76 14 19 or W 76 14 06

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or Ralph (717) 367-9132
Internet Larry - mglanco@comcast.net or Ralph - rm1972@comcast.net
Club internet address - www.LancoMGclub.com

Rain or Shine

REMINDER

Membership Renewal - June 1st

The membership renewal date for **ALL CPTC members** is now
June 1st!
Thank you.

Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club
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1980 Triumph TR8
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