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A small portion of the show field at the recent British Car Day and the Pittsburgh Vintage GP in Schenley Park. **Photo by Cliff Grube*

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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

First things first, it's 5:45 p.m. on August 21st and I'm just now writing this article. I want to apologize to the membership and especially our newsletter editor for my tardiness. July and August passed me by like a Group 44 TR4 ... FAST!

The July 30th Union Canal run was a huge success. Sometimes hidden gems are right in your own back yard! Thanks again to Mark and Dorothy Duchess.

Thank you to everyone who attended the public meeting in August. Your support is appreciated. Remember, our next public meeting on November 5th - We will hold elections for President, Secretary and Newsletter Editor.

September will be another busy month. Labor Day, Watkins Glen, our summer picnic, MoM and the Six Pack Trials in Hershey. To keep up to date with all that's happening, check our website and the newsletter for all the latest news.

Please plan to attend our annual Good-bye Summer Picnic on September 17th. Bill and Paula Shover are again in charge of our Silent Auction; so please contact them with your donations so they can make the necessary preparations.

There have been a number of our members who have attended non-club events. That is fantastic! Please try to write an article and submit some pictures to our webmaster and newsletter editor for all to enjoy.

Keep Calm and Motor On!

Tom

P.S. ~ Our Fall Run is fast approaching. Mark your calendar for October 15th and plan to attend.

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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.

- Aug. 27th** **A Taste of Britain car show & polo match - Forney Polo Field, 70 Church St., Rothsville, PA. Field registration opens at 11:00 AM. Call Larry (717-285-7379) or Ralph (717-367-9132) or email mg1llanco@comcast.net or ms1972@comcast.net for more info. \$15 Pre-registration; \$20 on day of show.**
- Sept. 8-10** **Watkins Glen VGP - Watkins Glen, NY. "Cars of the Autobahn" More information at www.grandprixfestival.com . A CPTC caravan will be leaving for the Glen on Thursday, Sept. 7th (at 10:00 AM) from the Susquehanna Diner (formerly Angie's Restaurant) on U.S. Rte. 15 N, if you want to travel with the group.**
- Sept. 17th** **CPTC Picnic - West Shore Elks picnic grounds, Camp Hill, PA. Join us for an afternoon of fun, food, drink, cars and camaraderie. The Elks has a great venue with a terrific menu of delicious picnic food at a fabulous price - \$17/person! An added bonus is the chance to participate in our Silent Auction, replete with unique and valuable gift items. Mark your calendar and send your check to the address on the back of this newsletter - Hope to see you there!**
- Sept. 21st** **Six Pack Trials - Hershey Lodge, 325 University Drive, Hershey, PA. National convention of Triumph TR6/250 clubs. More information at: <https://6-pack.org/6packtrials2017/>**

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2017 Calendar of Events (continued)

- 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 information at MeetingoftheMarques.com
- Oct. 5th** CPTC Board Meeting 7:00 PM at the Krause's home. Please call Tom at 717-469-2379, if you plan to attend.
- Oct. 15th** CPTC Fall Run - hosted by Bob & Tina Krivenko. Details to follow.
- Nov. 5th** CPTC General Meeting - Hoss's Steak & Sea House, Mechanicsburg, PA - 3:00 PM. Election of Officers: The offices of President, Secretary & Newsletter Editor are open for nominations. If you have an interest in one of these offices, please contact any Board member and let them know.. Let's come out to support our Club & vote!
- Dec. 3rd** CPTC Christmas Party - Hershey Italian Lodge, 128 Hillcrest Road, Hershey, PA from 1:00 - 5:00 PM. Delicious Italian buffet, cash bar and gift exchange for those who wish to participate. Save the date and make plans now to attend.

New Member Welcome!

**The most recent addition to the
CPTC ranks is:**

**Darrell Scholl
Mechanicsburg, PA**

Owner of a 1973 MGB

We're pleased to have you with us!

CPTC Summer Picnic

September 17th

**West Shore Elks Picnic Grounds
Camp Hill, PA**

**We are in need of items for our
always popular Silent Auction!
If you have an item you wish to
donate, please contact Bill Shover
at 717-249-4463 or email him at**

wsspjs@pa.net

Thank You!

Union Canal Tunnel Lebanon, PA July 30, 2017

A perfect summer day in Pennsylvania! Cloudless azure skies, low humidity and temps in the mid-80s - the definition of a 'top down' kind of day!

Our assembly point was the Hollywood Casino parking lot in Grantville where over 15 LBCs gathered to begin the tour.



After a short intro to the day's activities by tour leader Mark Duchess (center),



we were off to pay tribute to our fallen heroes as we drove through Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, a somber but beautiful scene.



Then it was onto some country roads for a nice drive through some of Lebanon County's pastoral farmland, arriving at our destination - the Union Canal Tunnel Park.



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Union Canal Tunnel (Continued)

We've arrived! The group makes its way



from the parking area & climbs aboard the canal barge to begin the tour.



Our narrator described all the work that was done (canal dug entirely by hand and the tunnel carved from limestone) during the early 19th Century, building the canal from the Swatara Creek to the Schuylkill River to provide a means to transport goods from Harrisburg to Philadelphia.



Following our interesting & informative tour of local history, we returned to our cars for a scenic drive, via Mt. Gretna, and then on to the Quentin Tavern.

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Union Canal Tunnel (Cont.)

Good food, some liquid refreshment and camaraderie - the perfect end to a perfect day!



Many thanks to our hosts, Mark and Dorothy Duchess, for their efforts in putting this event together and thanks also to all those who chose to participate!

**Photos by Joe & Michele Laurito, John Krause & John Miele*



**Six Pack Trials - September 21st
Hershey Lodge - Hershey, PA
National Convention of
TR6/250 Clubs**

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

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Pittsburgh Vintage GP

Schenley Park

Pittsburgh, PA

~ By Cliff & Kathy Grube

Schenley Park is a beautiful 450 acre municipal park located in the Oakland neighborhood of Pittsburgh, near Carnegie Mellon and the University of Pittsburgh. For the past 35 years it has hosted the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix and each year it gets bigger and better. The "track" is the public road that winds through the park, consisting of 22 turns and 17 elevation changes. This is a challenging course.



On Saturday July 15th, (British Car Day) the venue is a combination of practice sessions and qualifying races and one of the largest (2500+ vehicles) car shows imaginable. Sunday is the actual race; but the build up to this event begins a week earlier with automotive inspired events taking place throughout Pittsburgh.



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Pittsburgh Vintage GP (Continued)



(Rich Roenigk's TR6)

This event raised over \$400,000 last year for the Autism Society of Pittsburgh. A wonderful venue and a great cause!

**Photos by Cliff Grube & Stan Carpenter*

Triumphs are well represented on show day and probably occupy the premier real estate of the golf course; thanks, I'm sure, to the Western PA Triumph Association's influence. The British car and motorcycle hobby clearly predominates here at Schenley Park.

We saw several members of the Susquehanna Valley Vintage Sports Car Club. Our own Rich Roenigk had a TR6 on the show field and, with flag in hand, was directing parking for the MGs.

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**CPTC's Annual
'Goodbye Summer' Picnic
September 17th**

**West Shore Elks
Picnic Grounds
108 St. Johns Road
Camp Hill, PA 17011
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

**Make plans to join us for an afternoon
of camaraderie, fun, good food,
classic British autos and our popular
Silent Auction. Our picnic & auction
will be held in the Pavilion located
behind the Elks Lodge.**



**Reserve your place today by sending
a check for \$17/person to:
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P O Box 493
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A 'Cash Bar' will be available



**Cars of the Autobahn will be featured
in this year's running of the Watkins
Glen Vintage GP from Sept. 8th-10th**

**Join CPTC members on Thursday (9/7)
as they trek northward to this popular
event in the beautiful Finger Lakes
region of NY.**



**1935 Triumph Southern Cross
on display in the hotel lobby at the
2017 VTR Convention in Princeton, NJ.**

**Photo by Rich Roenigk*



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.



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...



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
Brought to you by the Susquehanna Valley Vintage Sports Car Club - A Region of the AACA

Family Fun Day Car Show

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Sunday Sept. 17, 2017

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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The Brokerage

Where Buyers Meet Sellers

1980 Triumph TR8 - Persian Aqua convertible. Automatic transmission, cold AC, nice condition inside and out, stainless steel exhaust, very dependable. Regrettably, I must sell due to my eye condition. \$7500.00 OBO. Call Dick James (Member) at 717-761-1741. [Listed 9/17]

1980 MGB LE- 66,000 miles, show quality black paint with tan interior, refinished original wheels and new tires, new rubber bumpers and more. This car has always been locally owned (York, PA) and garage kept - I have owned it the last 15 years. This is a no rust car and is in very nice condition and fun to drive! \$8,500.00. Call Taylor (Member) before 8:00 PM at 717 843-3762 or email taylormillerorganco@comcast.net . Photos available upon request. [Listed 9/17]

1972 Triumph GT6 - Mechanically sound, rebuilt drive train with less than 5000 miles, electric fuel pump and fan, Bosch alternator, TR6 175 Stromberg carburetors, electronic ignition, aftermarket oil filter, tires very good, interior good, new carpet, seats very good body needs some work. Everyday driver. \$4500.00 obo. Mike Zakis (Member), 717-612-2318, email 64spitfire@gmail.com. [Listed 9/17]

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@twcnny.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]

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The Brokerage (Continued)

PARTS & EQUIPMENT

Want to Buy - Luggage rack parts from Spitfire or TR6. Call Chuck Swartzbaugh (Member) in York, PA at 717-495-7314 [Listed 9/17]

For Sale:

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]

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.

The Triumph Lunch Bunch

The next meeting of the **Lunch Bunch** will take place at noon on **Thursday**, Sept. 21, 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.

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REMINDER

Membership Renewal - June 1st

The membership renewal date for
ALL CPTC members is now

June 1st!

Thank you.

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1958 Triumph TR3
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