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Street musicians entertain passersby at the recent Meeting of the Marques and Harvest of the Arts Festival in Carlisle, PA

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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 ~ Tom Billett

The driving season is all but over for me and it's soon time to put the Triumph to bed for the winter.

Sue and I hope that everyone enjoyed the Fall Run. The leaves weren't as colorful as we had hoped and the temperatures were cooler than usual; but at least it didn't rain! And that's as good as it gets for the summer of 2018. Let's hope next year will be more driver and event friendly.

The Hershey AACA car show/swap meet was held October 10th-13th. With a last minute change for me to attend Wednesday (cloudy/humid) instead of Thursday (rain), it was a fun event. More vendors than you can see in just one day to all the cars from the "teens" thru "seventies" in the car corral. It was a long day; but, if you've never been there, you're missing out on an experience you will remember for years. Oh yeah, I added a few goodies to my collection (please don't tell my wife!).

November 4th is our next Public Meeting at John's Diner. Elections for Vice President, Treasurer and Webmaster are on

the agenda. The Board has discussed holding just six (6) meetings per year and making them all public meetings at area restaurants. We hope this change will attract more interest and involvement by the membership. With email, texting and cell phones we believe that any issues, concerns and club business can be handled in an efficient and timely manner.

Mark your calendar for our Christmas Party on December 4th at the Hershey Italian Lodge. As a reminder, if you plan to participate in the "gift exchange", please bring a wrapped gift with a value of \$10 to \$15. One per person or one per couple, if you prefer. We hope to see you there!

For more details on these and all other club events, check the club newsletter and/or website often.

Keep Calm and Motor On!

Tom



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2018 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.

- Nov. 4th** **CPTC General Meeting - 3:00 PM at John's Diner, 146 Sheraton Drive, New Cumberland, PA. Take the Limekiln Road Exit off I-83. Please make plans to attend this important meeting as elections will be held for the following Board officers: Vice President, Treasurer and Webmaster.**
- Dec. 2nd** **CPTC Christmas Party - 1:00 PM at the Hershey Italian Lodge, 128 Hillcrest Road, Hershey, PA 17033. Partake of the Lodge's delicious Italian Buffet followed by the popular gift exchange for those who wish to participate. Cost: \$14/person; Guests - \$24/person. Save the date and send your check to CPTC, PO Box 493, New Kings town, PA 17072**
- March 24th 2019** **Welcome Spring Party - West Shore Elks, St John's Church Road, Camp Hill, PA. Info. to follow.**
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CPTC member Chuck Swartzbaugh is looking for some help from fellow club members. He has a '77 Spitfire and a rebuild kit for his Weber carbs; but needs some assistance with the rebuild. If you have a little time and the experience to give Chuck a hand, please give him a call at 717-495-7314 or email him at 1951sbiker@comcast.net

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British Reliability Run?

~ by Rich Roenigk

I recently met a British couple (the Ropers) at a local gas station. They were driving a sweet Jaguar 120. He said he had the car shipped here for a five week tour of the Eastern US. They were staying in Gettysburg for three nights, then south to Savannah, GA and, finally, up the coast to New England.



His 120 was equipped with a 5-speed Borg Warner transmission - He also said he uses Evans coolant, no overheating ... ever!

He has done this a couple of times before, once in his 1936 MG, and he said he would never do that again!



(Had a starter switch problem - I provided some shade ... no advice though!)

He also owns a 1962 Jag XKE Mark II ... and here I am - afraid to drive through a couple of states. Talk about a British Reliability Run!!!

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Meeting of the Marques September 22, 2018 Carlisle, PA

The day dawned cloudy (as has become the norm this summer); but COOL for the Artistry on Wheels portion of the MoM, now held in conjunction with the Harvest of the Arts festival in Carlisle.



There were lots of fine British sports cars displayed for visitors to admire ...



In addition to the Artistry on Wheels, there were a number of genuine artists in attendance ...



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Meeting of the Marques (Cont.)



As well as a myriad of vendors ...



Sidewalk combos ...



And some unusual characters!



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Meeting of the Marques (Cont.)

CPTC was well represented at the MoM, with numerous cars on display ...



A few of our Club members take a break from the festivities to chat.

All in all, another well done MoM event in a great venue! However, it is with some trepidation that we learn that Stan Carpenter will step down as the chairman of this event. We wish his successor the very best and extend our sincere thanks to Stan for his excellent leadership and organizational skills over these many years. Well done, Stan!

**Photos by M. B. Miele*

Elkhart Lake Race Track

~ By Jay Snavelly

During a recent road trip, we stopped at the Road America race track in Wisconsin for the Elkhart Lake Vintage Festival. It was held on September 14-16, 2018. The weather was hot and sunny, and the mosquitoes were in abundance!



We spent Friday at the track watching practice runs for the various classes.



The Austin Healey Sprite/MG Midget were the featured cars in honor of the 60th anniversary of the Sprite introduction.



Saturday was spent in town and a re-enactment race was held in the afternoon. The original road course was used for several years in the early 1950's. Race cars as well as street cars were allowed to run the course. There was a handful of TR3s, TR4s, and TR6s. The Gathering on the Green at the nearby Osthoff Resort showcased cars ranging from the early 1900's to modern performance cars.

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Elkhart Lake (Continued)



By now you may be thinking this is a lot like Watkins Glen. There are similarities: Elkhart Lake is a small rural town set on a lake; but the crowds were much smaller, especially in town. The festivities that downtown Watkins Glen provides were missing; but we had a nice time and took one more item off the Bucket List.

**Photos by Jay Snavelly*

Attention CPTC Members

Elections will be held on **Nov. 4th** at 3:00 PM at John's Diner for the following officers of the CPTC Board:

Vice President
Treasurer
Webmaster

If you have an interest in any of these positions, please contact any member of the Board for more information or to make your intentions known. It is no secret that we need members to step up and assume a leadership role in order for our Club to remain viable.

TR3s & Parts Inventory for Sale

1961 TR3 – Red with white interior, painted wires, overdrive, excellent (restored) condition, **\$21,000.00, OBO.** Also, 1958 TR3 project car, much of the body work is done, engine in running condition, overdrive – asking **\$4500.00.**

Enormous parts inventory (collected over 40+ years) of all types of TR3 parts, hardware, etc., including several engines, transmissions, overdrives and numerous body panels – asking **\$8000.00 for the entire parts lot.**

Photos of cars & parts are available upon request. Cars and parts are located in Weston, PA. If interested, contact Pam (Member) at pcurilla@yahoo.com .
[Listed 10/18]

MoM Award Winners

CPTC's Bob & Tina Krivenko received the prestigious Winners Circle Showdown Award for their 1957 Triumph TR3. The award is a participant's choice of the best from the five first place winners in the previous year's MoM competition. As is obvious in the photo below, the award is certainly well deserved!



Other award winners from the CPTC ranks are as follows:

Class A - British Invasion (pre-1962)
1st place - Scott & Cindy Suhring
3rd place - Robert Beers

Class B - Vintage British (1962-1970)
2nd Place - Rory Liebrum

Class C - Classic British (1971-1981)
2nd Place - Jerry & Jenn Frasso

Class D - British Phoenix (1982-Present)
1st place - Ed Plank

**Photo by Sue Billett*



Beautiful Triumph TR3A racer shown 'at speed' - Watkins Glen Vintage Grand Prix, September, 2018.

**Photo by Stan Carpenter*

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.

FAX number is (717) 599-7711.

Anybody Give Me a Hundred?



~ By John Schmoyer

That is the opening question the auctioneer will likely ask of those in attendance this November at Fox Chase Golf Club. So how does this pertain to an article in *Triumph News*?

Similar to most libraries, Lancaster County's **Adamstown Area Library** today offers much more than merely a place to borrow a book or to read a story to a child. Family activities and events for the community abound within the library. During the past two years the library has undertaken a capital campaign to raise money for a much needed new building.

One of their keys to success in this endeavor is an organization known as the "**Friends of the AAL**". In March, I approached the president of the "Friends" with an idea for an item at this fall's "Bucks for Books" dinner/auction. The offer was to auction off a "Morning at the Races" at the August, 2019 historic Duryea Hill Climb. The winning bidder would receive an up close view of the pits, the hill climb, lunch, a commemorative hill climb T-shirt and be driven door-to-door in my 1960 TR3A.

Needless to say, her response to the offer was overwhelmingly positive. After presenting it to the Friends' Board, she asked if she could be so bold as to ask if it would be possible to include the June, 2019 Pagoda Hill Climb as a second auction item. Being an avid supporter of libraries, how could my response be anything but "Yes"!

Who knows what the outcome of the auctioneer's opening questions will be; but, hopefully, both will be north of one hundred. Stay tuned!

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...



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.

1971 TR6 – Dark blue w/black interior. Restoration project, mostly together; some frame repairs done; three fenders done and off car; complete new interior w/seats, panels, carpet still in boxes, new soft top in box, new exhaust not installed, aftermarket hardtop. Supposedly ran well when parked. Other misc. Triumph parts included. Car is located near Reading, PA. Call Bob (Former member) at 610-401-0834 or email boblogan61@gmail.com \$3500 obo. [Listed 10/18]

1978 Triumph 'Spit 6' Spitfire – Color: red w/tan interior (repaint - 2001), 63,000 miles, powered by GT6 MK3 6 cylinder engine, 1.75 SU carbs, performance camshaft, header w/Monza exhaust, Pertronix Ignition, high torque gear reduction starter, alloy wheels, Koni adjustable shocks, new convertible top & interior. Hardtop and stock wheels/tires included. Needs new rear bumper. Car is located in Carlisle, PA. Photos available. \$7499.00. Call Jeff (Non-member) at 717-329-7964 after 4:30 PM or email him at pacooriginals@live.com. [Listed 10/18]

1973 TVR 2500M - Rebuilt 2.5 liter inline 6 with twin SU carbs & mild cam; cylinders slightly bored-over; head milled with 10 to 1 compression; approx. 149 HP; 4 speed trans with no issues; new rear end. Generator replaced w/alternator; working Smiths gauges; stainless exhaust; twin electric fan radiator & electric fuel pump. Original T slot wheels; recent tune-up by Triumph Rescue; new headliner & sunroof; fiberglass body on steel frame in good condition. Considered a front, mid-engine coupe. Only 947 produced. Easy conversion to small block V8. Asking \$19,500. Car is located in Barto, PA. Email Chad at underpressure02@gmail.com or phone Bob Colfer (Non-member) at 610-841-6517 for more info. [Listed 10/18]

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The Brokerage (Continued)

1974 TR6 - Sapphire Blue with Shadow Blue interior. Driver-quality car in very good condition; Mileage: 104,653; Owned for 29 yrs.; Body all original no rust or repair. Previous owner had Car painted in 1989; Hard top on car just rebuilt and painted to match car. All new interior. Engine rebuilt at 103,727. HVDA Toyota 5 speed; Goods Nissan 300ZX rear. Car is located in Lewisberry PA. Asking \$23,500. Contact Ed Mohler (Member): 717-649-0191 or email mohleredwin@gmail.com for detailed info and photos. [Listed 8/18]

1967 TR4A - Runs well; BRG with black top/interior; wood steering wheel; original style luggage rack; new wheels and tires; newly reupholstered, leather TR6 seats. \$8000. Car is in Lancaster, PA. Call Vic Nigro (Member) at 717-371-7157, leave message. [Listed 8/18]

1980 TR8 - Convertible, silver/gray with blue interior, 5-speed, 43,000 miles, solid and reliable driver, good top & mechanical condition, good interior, reluctantly offered for sale, asking \$12,000. Call Bob Rife (Member) at 717-512-5667 and leave message. [Listed 6/18]

PARTS & EQUIPMENT

For Sale: TR6 parts or adaptable to TR6:

New Parts: 6 AutoLite plugs; 18 N9YC plugs; 4 wheel dollies; 2 walnut door sills; 2 chrome door pulls; 4 center wheel badges (chrome & decal); 2 Stromberg 175 rebuild kits; 2 temp compensators; rear differential stabilizer kit; AC fuel pump (factory rebuilt); AC fuel pump rebuild kit; early front grill badge assembly; 6 'proper' exhaust clamps; 1 yard Moss Motors dark red vinyl; 2 Triumph badges for seat belts.

Used parts: 6 jack stands; 2 rear axles & hubs; 2 Stromberg 175s (1973); tranny top cover assembly; Tach and Speedo w/other assorted gauges; 2 right tail light assemblies. Asking \$200 as a package. Parts in Shrewsbury, PA. Will meet at convenient location. Bob Levine (Member) Levinpa@comcast.net [Listed 8/18]

**Make Plans Now for the annual
CPTC Christmas Party
1:00 PM - December 2nd
Hershey Italian Lodge
128 Hillcrest Road
Hershey, PA 17033**

**Partake of the delicious Italian buffet, gift
exchange (if you wish to participate)
and a fun afternoon of conversation,
great food and camaraderie.**

**Cost is \$14/person - guests; \$24/person
Cash bar**

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.

Write to: VTR-E-New
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www.vtr.org for
more information
and a membership
application.



CPTC Events Coordinator

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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.



On the last page of the October, 2018 print edition of the newsletter, the printer inadvertently omitted the name of the owner of the '73 TR6 pictured above. The owner is long-time CPTC member Dave Schreffler and he is the original owner of this essentially unmolested, Mallard Green Triumph TR6.

REMINDER

Membership Renewal - June 1st

The membership renewal date for
ALL CPTC members is now

June 1st!

Thank you.

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FIRST CLASS



1965 Triumph TR4A
Owners: Bob & Michele Switalski