

# TRIUMPH NEWS

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**Watkins Glen Vintage GP race photos by Stan Carpenter**

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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](mailto: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](http://www.cptc.org) to view the club website, with an expanded calendar of events and photos.

## Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club Officers

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## A Few Words From Our President ~ Tom Billett

Well, just like that the holidays are here! We'll all be busy shopping, wrapping gifts and visiting. Just try to remember the most important thing of all, Triumphs! Your husband, friends or even your wife and children would love to receive Triumphs and/or Triumph parts for Christmas.

Okay, after that little bit of fun, I would like to congratulate our two new officers: Rich Roenigk, President and Mary Ann Berrian, Secretary. Also a shout out to our resident newsletter editor, John Miele. I hope everyone will support our new and current officers as you have me. My sincere thanks to everyone for the help and support I've received during my term in office. Thank you one and all.

If you do not plan to attend our holiday party, I'm sure you will miss another fun event. The Hershey Italian Lodge always does a great job with food and makes us feel very welcome. With attendance dwindling over the past few years we are looking to other options to get together.

For the Welcome Spring party, the board is looking into a banquet room at a local

restaurant where each person could order a meal from the menu at their own expense. Then we could stay to socialize for much of the afternoon. We are checking into several locations - suggestions are welcome.

Unfortunately, the Fall Run was rained out not once, but on two different dates. Let's hope next year will work out for us. A thank you is still in order to Bob and Tina Krivenko for their scheduling work.

Keep Calm and Motor On!

*Tom*

### New Member .... Welcome!

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

**Karen Harlacker  
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**We're pleased to have you with us!**



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## 2019 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](http://www.cptc.org)** for updated event information.

**Dec. 8th**      **CPTC Christmas Party - 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM, Hershey Italian Lodge, 128 Hillcrest Road, Hershey, PA. Join us for great food, a fun time and the always entertaining gift exchange! Participation in the gift exchange is entirely voluntary and value should be in the \$10-15 range. The buffet price is \$14/member and \$24/guest. Send your check to CPTC, P O Box 493, New Kingstown, PA.**



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## Star Barn Heritage Day

October 14, 2019

~ by Mary Ann Berrian

What a great place for a car show! On Columbus Day, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 14 club members (9 cars) spent the day at a car show hosted by Star Barn Heritage Days. We met at St. Peter's Church in Elizabethtown - 'Thanks' to Bob and Michele Switalski for the arrangements.

Upon entering the grounds, we had the opportunity for each of our cars to have a photo shoot at the Star Barn.



After parking our cars the fun began, walking around the grounds touring the Star Barn and many of the other buildings: Hay Barn, Milk House, Carriage House, Hog Barn, and Chicken Coop and Liberty Spring House.



Some other club members experiences included Steam-churned ice cream and a petting zoo.



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## Star Barn (Cont.)

History buffs loved the ride on the 1860's era steam locomotive and passenger coach, which traveled down the original rail bed upon which the funeral train carried President Lincoln on April 22, 1865.



The train was hand-built to period-correct specification, including President Lincoln's personal coach.



Even with all the activities, club members found time to sit by their cars and socialize on a beautiful, sunny autumn day for a car show. Many thanks to Jay Snively for suggesting this wonderful event!

*\*Photos by R. Roenigk & M.A. Berrian*



**CPTC Christmas Party**  
**December 8, 2019**  
**Cost: \$14/person**

**1:00 PM - Banquet Room**  
**Hershey Italian Lodge**  
**Hershey, PA**

## U.S. Army Heritage Center Tour Carlisle, PA ~ by Rory Liebrum

On Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, a number of club members met at Mary Ann Berrian's place and she led us on a run to the U.S. Army Heritage Center in Carlisle, PA.



We spent several hours there walking through their fabulous museum. The tour begins with the earlier wars: WWI, WWII, Korea, Viet Nam and on through the more recent conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. There was so much more there than we thought we might see and learn about. There is also a research center that serves as a repository for any and all Army history.

The outdoor grounds at the Center encompass several acres and have many artifacts on display, including tanks, helicopters, a trench as constructed during WWI, barracks, a bunker, and much more. Most of it is authentic and recovered from actual Army use or has been recreated to reflect the real thing.

If you have travelled along Interstate 81 near Carlisle and noticed the helicopter near the highway, that's the place! If you have interest in Army history, make time to take the tour there ... it really is well done.

Following our tour, we made our way back to Mary Ann's where she graciously prepared some burgers and hotdogs for us to go along with the covered dishes we had dropped off earlier. Mary Ann's 'good weather guarantee' helped to make the day a perfect one!

*\*Photo by Rich Roenigk*

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## European TR Meeting 2019 Pamplona, Spain September 19 - 23, 2019 ~ by Gertjan van de Klashorst

The annual Euromeet took place from September 19th to 23rd. The TR Register España was the organizing country and chose Pamplona because of its relative accessibility from Europe. More than 100 TRs participated. There were also a few Spanish Triumph owners who took the opportunity to experience a meeting with the participants from 9 other countries.



Many of the English and Irish teams arrived by ferry at Bilbao or Santander, Spain, thus saving a 600 mile drive. The organization had decided to place the participants in several different hotels. We were housed, along with many other foreigners, in a beautiful hotel within walking distance of the town center. The English and Irish were outside the city ring at a golf resort and the Spaniards were in a third hotel. People saw each other during the group trips and at the joint meals.

Because of the small size of the Spanish TR club (100 members), the event was outsourced to a professional organization which did an excellent job - everything from reception to issuing transponders to knowing where a participant was in the event of a breakdown. Two breakdown assistance teams were present and help was quickly on the spot, with a total of 50 repairs being required.

We received a nice welcome package with polo shirts, berets, rally shields, road book, nameplates and grill logo upon arrival. Friday we were bused to the golf resort for the official event opening, with drinks and snacks provided. Saturday a tour began at 9 am to the walled city of Olite, once the capital of Navarra - a city with an impressive royal palace. We had lunch on a terrace in the city and then back to the hotel.



In the evening, a short bus trip to Pamplona to see the bustle of the Spanish city, replete with the typical bars where the music is loud and the locals scream even louder to be heard.

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## Euromeet 2019 (Cont.)

We happened to meet some Spanish TR acquaintances and spent the evening with them at a nice restaurant.

Sunday was a driver's day through the Pyrenees, both in Spain and France. Unfortunately, it was not always dry.



Some great photos of the drive through the Pyrenees ... on roads seemingly designed for British sports cars!



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## Euromeet 2019 (Cont.)



Afterward, we returned to the hotel for the farewell dinner to close the event. Table seating was arranged by country.



A Mr. Bean look-alike posed for photos with the individual teams. The man only spoke Spanish; but no problem since Mr. Bean doesn't say much either!



*The author & his wife with “Mr. Bean.”*

Thank you gifts were handed out by the TR-Register representatives and the meeting was officially closed. Monday after breakfast we headed off on our 1000-mile trek north.

Conclusion: an excellent weekend which was professionally organized and somewhat expensive, resulting in a slight reduction in the number of attendees. Next year's meet is to be held in Wales and west England, sponsored by the English TR club members.

*\*Photos by Alvaro Toledo Ruiz  
(TR Register - Spain)*



**You look familiar ...**

**A chance meeting of two club members ... in Speyer, Germany? Mark Dutchess (L) & John Krause were on separate European river cruises with their spouses and happened to cross paths at a stop in Germany!**

*\*Submitted by John Krause*

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## Tidbits

Most women spend more time wondering what men are thinking than men spend thinking.

If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

*\*Submitted by Rich Roenigk*

## **Looking to Buy an LBC ... Or Planning to Sell Yours?**

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**The Roadster Factory's website:**

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This free-to-list site contains numerous  
MGs and Triumphs offered for sale  
as well as listings for Triumph parts  
wanted to buy and for sale.

Worth a visit even if you're just browsing!



*\* Graphic by Arthur Williams*

**CPTC Christmas Party**

**December 8, 2019**

**Hershey Italian Lodge**

**128 Hillcrest Road**

**Hershey, PA**

A Sunday afternoon filled with good food,  
fun and camaraderie!

Price is \$14/member and \$24/guest  
It's not too soon to reserve your place!

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**P O Box 493**

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**Hope to see many of our members there!**

**Annual Election of Officers**

The election of officers to the CPTC Board  
of Directors was held on Nov.3, 2019.

The results are as follows:

**President**

**Rich Roenigk**

**Secretary**

**Mary Ann Berrian**

**Newsletter Editor**

**John Miele**

Congratulations and a 'Thank You' to all  
those folks who serve our membership!



**Triumph TR3 Parts Wanted**

**CPTC member Dave Stampler wishes to  
purchase the following TR3 parts:**

Wanted for Triumph TR3: Fender Skirts  
or Spats in any condition. If you have a  
set that a pattern could be made from  
that would also be helpful.

Contact Dave at 717-887-4276 or email  
him at [1968gt6@gmail.com](mailto:1968gt6@gmail.com)  
[Listed 4/19]



# The Brokerage

Where Buyers Meet Sellers

## **Disclaimer:**

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**1973 Triumph TR6** - \$16,800. Pimento, 98,970 miles, engine rebuilt at 94,000, runs beautifully. Recently replaced the universal joints, differential and right rear axle. Overall excellent condition. I am the third owner for the last 14 years. Wire wheels with Michelin Red Line tires, also includes tonneau and boot cover. Original wheels available in fair condition. Call Neil Benjamin (Non-Member) at 215-256-1952 to leave message or email [powerboat447@yahoo.com](mailto:powerboat447@yahoo.com). Car is located in southeastern PA. [Listed 11/19]

**1976 Triumph TR6** - Factory overdrive; tan top & interior; BRG exterior; 64,000 miles. New: dual SU carb conversion, electronic ignition, carpet, aluminum radiator and electric fan, plug wires and motor mounts. Photos upon request - asking \$17,000. Car is located in Texas. Call Steven (Non-member) at 281-793-8343. [Listed 9/19]

**1964 Triumph Spitfire** - MK I project; needs complete rebuild. Everything is there, extra body tub comes with it. Engine and transmission still in car; but not currently running. Clear title, car is located in Altoona PA. Asking \$900 OBO. Call Eric Barr (Non-member) at 814-381-5136 or email [ebarr1967@gmail.com](mailto:ebarr1967@gmail.com) [Listed 8/19]

**1964 Triumph Spitfire MK1** - Color: white; 150,000 miles; needs complete rebuild. Everything is there; engine & transmission in car - not in running condition; extra '64 body tub comes with car. Clear title - car is located in Altoona, PA. \$900 obo. Contact Eric Barr (Non-member) at [ebarr1967@gmail.com](mailto:ebarr1967@gmail.com) or call 814-381-5136. [Listed 4/19]

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## The Brokerage (Continued)

**1973 Triumph Spitfire 1500** - Dark blue exterior (and primer) with tan seats, factory hard top with new head liner, new black soft top with frame, aftermarket header, new brake master cylinder, oil cooler. Needs door panels recovered and a paint job, \$1800. Contact K. Beiler (Member): Cell# 717-304-5514; Home# 717-270-6512 or email [spit6beil69@hotmail.com](mailto:spit6beil69@hotmail.com) [Listed 3/19]

**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]

### Car Parts:

**Wanted for Triumph TR3:** Fender Skirts or Spats in any condition. If you have a set that a pattern could be made from, that would also be helpful. Contact Dave at 717-887-4276 or email him at [1968gt6@gmail.com](mailto:1968gt6@gmail.com) [Listed 4/19]

**Set of 4:** Dayton 5", 72-spoke chrome wire wheels with Vredestein 185/HR15 Sprint Classic Tires mounted and balanced. Both wheels and tires have less than 100 miles on them - Purchased 8/29/19. Must sell due to clearance issues on my TR3. Will fit TR6 - TR250, Austin Healey 100-3000, and MGC cars. Spline hubs or spin lock nuts are not included. Located in Carlisle PA. Price is \$2000.00. Phone Gary Fatherree (Member) anytime at 717-249-5977. [Listed 9/19]



### REMINDER

#### Membership Renewal - June 1st

The membership renewal date for  
**ALL CPTC members** is now

**June 1st!**

Thank you.



**Euro Road Rally**  
June 19-21, 2020

**Open to all vintage European models. Visit the great waterfalls of New York State - Letcorth, Niagara & Watkins Glen. Registration is now open - limit is 30 cars; so you must register ASAP**

**Trip information and registration at:**  
[www.wanderungpa.org](http://www.wanderungpa.org)

**Proceeds from this rally benefit the Gary Sinise Foundation, providing aid to families of veterans and first responders who are in need.**

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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.

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MI, 48844 or visit  
[www.vtr.org](http://www.vtr.org) for  
more information  
and a membership  
application.



**Your Help Is Needed!**

To assist in our efforts to keep our membership information current, please email or call Rory Liebrum with changes in your contact information.

Rory's email and phone are located on the second page of this newsletter...

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