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Spitfire race car *at speed* during the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix.

****Photo 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.

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 ~ Rich Roenigk

This summer thing just won't give up! Sure makes it difficult to get some top down rides in. Looking at the shows on the event calendar, the best ones are coming up. Meeting of the Marques, Star Barn & Watkins Glen should be favorable weather events. If you haven't made plans yet to attend ... it will make the off season that much longer!

Do you think we will ever see manual shift cars made again? With the switch to electric cars and a generation trained on them, our cars will become an anomaly. Maybe there will be an opportunity to start driving schools to teach neophytes to "crunch" the gears. Find an old tractor as the first step - That's how Cliff Grube was trained!

Oh, and don't forget about the Club's fall Picnic at Gifford Pinchot State Park. Please consider donating an item to the Silent Auction. We had a great crowd last year and our cars were much enjoyed by other park visitors.

Mary Ann and I are involved in planning the TRA meet in Gettysburg next June. All Triumphs are welcome to participate. It would be great to see our Club having the greatest entries of all. A National Meet this close by is a very special event.

Stay Safe, Keep Calm and Motor On!

Rich



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2021 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. 28-29** **27th Annual Central PA British Car Festival, Altoona, PA. Host hotel is the Fairfield Inn, 2915 Pleasant Valley Blvd. Phone 814-312-1800 for group rate. Event Registration and Information at www.pabritishcar.com .**
- Sept. 9-12** **Watkins Glen Vintage GP - Info at www.grandprixfestival.com**
- Sept. 14-18** **2021 VTR National Convention, Edmond, OK. More info on P. 15**
- Sept. 19th** **Goodbye Summer Picnic - Gifford Pinchot State Park, Woodland Pavilion in the Quaker Race Day Use Area (West side of the lake) at 1:30 PM. CPTC will provide charcoal, paper products, table cloths and flatware. Bring your own food, drinks & bag chairs. Items for Silent Auction needed - contact Bill Shover at: wsspis@pa.net**
- Sept. 19th** **Britain on the Green - Gunston Hall, Lorton, VA. Info/Registration at: <http://capitaltriumphregister.com/events/>**
- Sept. 25th** **Meeting of the Marques/Artistry on Wheels - held in Carlisle, PA in conjunction with the Harvest of the Arts Festival. For more info/registration see: www.SVVsportscarclub.org Pre-register ONLY!**
- Oct 11th** **Heritage Day and Classic Car Show - Star Barn Village, 1 Hollinger Lane, Elizabethtown, PA. Register now! You must go on-line and register at <https://stonegablesestate.com/car-registration/> When you register your car, you need to enter the following in the section called Special Features of Car: You are a *Member of The Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club*. They will keep track of our members. After you have registered, please either call, text or email Mary Ann Berrian so she knows who is coming. Phone: 717-798-1922 or Email: Mab2beach@msn.com. We will meet at 8:45 AM in St. Peter's Church parking lot, 904 Mill Road, Elizabethtown, PA. We plan to leave from there at 9:00 AM; so we can drive in and park together.**
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Uneventful and Unprecedented

~ By Stan Carpenter

The title sounds like a conflict, so I'll explain that right away. The "uneventful" part was great as the E-Type operated superbly during its 400+ mile roundtrip to Pittsburgh. Outbound found me 'volunteered' to lead four Miatas on our westward trek, like Mamma duck leading her ducklings to the pond. The traditional Friday lunch stop at the Jean Bonnet Tavern outside of Bedford is always outstanding and provides the perfect mid-way stretch and opportunity to share expectations of the weekend. Homebound was non-stop after the gas & go as I departed the Steel City. Sunny, semi-humid days and hot tarmac never extended the Temp gage beyond the NORMAL lettering as thermostats cycled and the miles rolled seamlessly by.

There are many words that capture the essence of the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix (PVGP) and I chose "unprecedented". As a starting point, celebrating its 39th year with nearly \$6 Million raised for their two charity partners, the 10-day 'Race Week' is America's premier vintage racing event that culminates on the streets of a city park, Schenley Park to be exact. As has been witnessed at many venues in 2021 after last year's interruption, cabin fever and a push toward normalcy meant huge attendance.

It takes over 1,000 volunteers to ensure that an estimated 250,000 spectators leave Pittsburgh's Race Week with the desire to return the following year.

Saturday meant British Car Day and joining 500 other British vehicles that ranged from common models to the obscure. As the only E-Type OTS on the show field sporting the factory hardtop, it became a magnet that made conversation easy, whether focused on Jaguar or the one that migrated to the first T-birds with their porthole windows. Numerous people asked if I trailered it from Carlisle to which my response was always "No, it doesn't drive very well that way." The downside of BCD, if you want to call it that, is that the nearly non-stop spectator interest kept me from experiencing other areas of the venue, including race group practices and qualifying, hence a limited number of photos for me to share.



There were 16 other car shows scattered about the golf course adjacent to the Park and I never did cross Schenley Park Drive to see those on the other side. I did carve out a little time to visit with my Datsun/Nissan 'family'.

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Tire Trax (Cont.)

Brett, Tim & Michael - can I get into a rotation to annually switch between the E-Type and 350Z? I don't know, so I'll apologize in advance.

A definite surprise was seeing first-time PVGP'ers 'GT Joey' Limongelli and wife Ellen on Saturday's show field. We first met and hung out during the Carlisle Import Nationals in 2018 when he was a guest for the Jaguar Feature events. If unknown to you, he's the author of several books on Jaguar, Aston Martin and the Ford GT, and a video on the Jaguar marque. He had a busy vendor space in Building 'T' during the recent Carlisle Ford Nationals. An all-around car guy and avid collector, you can't help but have fun when he's around!

The Vintage Indy group appeared as a special feature this year with several on-track exhibitions that were well-received by the fans. The tight radius confines of Schenley Park presented a departure from the environment to which these warriors were built to race in.



With British interests at heart, the #60 1968 Lotus 56 turbine powered STP Oil Treatment Special, raced in competition by Joe Leonard, held my attention.

Corvette was the 2021 Marque of the Year with an announced attendance of just over 300 cars. Sunday became 'less Jag, more racing' in accompaniment with Peter & Shelby Bauer. Peter had raced his Datsun 510 at Pitt Race the prior weekend, finishing a very respectable 8th in a field of 52. With the demands of turning the car around for successive weekends being quite the chore, he decided to be a Schenley Park spectator while becoming my personal tour guide who knows almost everyone in the paddock. His connections got me oh-so-close to the weapon teased in the following Upshifts.

Of course, the freedom to wander from the cars was in no small way because of the folks at Hagerty. We were both invited to their tent for premium parking of Peter's 930 and the Silver Bullet in a very high-exposure corridor. When we weren't on-site, Andrew Glisson's team kept a watchful eye on our rides, to the point where Chris Ricci started calling the Bullet "his"! (*Not so fast my friend ... although I do encourage you to dream of a companion for the V-10 'Viper' truck.*)

Harrisburg area writer/photographer Bill Stoler's quote in the Race Program is perhaps the best summation of Race Week by stating, *"I came for the cars; but I stayed for the people."*

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Tire Trax (Cont.)

Marque of the Year for 2022 will be Porsche, and Viper will be the Spotlight car. The last time that Porsche was featured there were over 450 in their corral. It was also announced that The Kastner Cup is coming back, so I expect the Triumph field will see a nice uptick. If you've never been to the PVGP, decide now to give Schenley Park a try next July 23 & 24. See their extensive website at PVGP.org. Once you attend, you just might put it on your "forever" calendar as 'GT Joey' did.



Unfortunately for me, next year's dates are already locked-in for the family cruise that's been rescheduled twice due to the pandemic. My loss, so please go and have a GREAT TIME for me!

**Photos by Stan Carpenter*



1967 Triumph TR5 - Here is your chance to own some automotive history! This ad for Sherwood Restorations was found in **Thoroughbred and Classic Cars** magazine's July 2021 issue. Price - just about \$118,635 USD.

Production ran from Aug. 1967 to Sept. 1968. Visually similar to the Michelotti-designed TR4 roadster it was derived from, the TR5 replaced Triumph's inline-four with the more powerful Lucas fuel-injected 150 bhp Triumph 2.5-litre straight 6. Price pressure and emissions standards in the U.S. resulted in a much less powerful carburetor version, the TR250, being sold on the North American market. Triumph claimed that it was the "First British production sports car with petrol injection."

**Submitted by Denny Ward*

Cars & Motorcycles of England Hope Lodge Ft. Washington, PA August 7, 2021

Several CPTC members attended this British car show and a few came away as winners! Sponsored by Delaware Valley Triumphs, the show featured many fine examples of British automobiles.

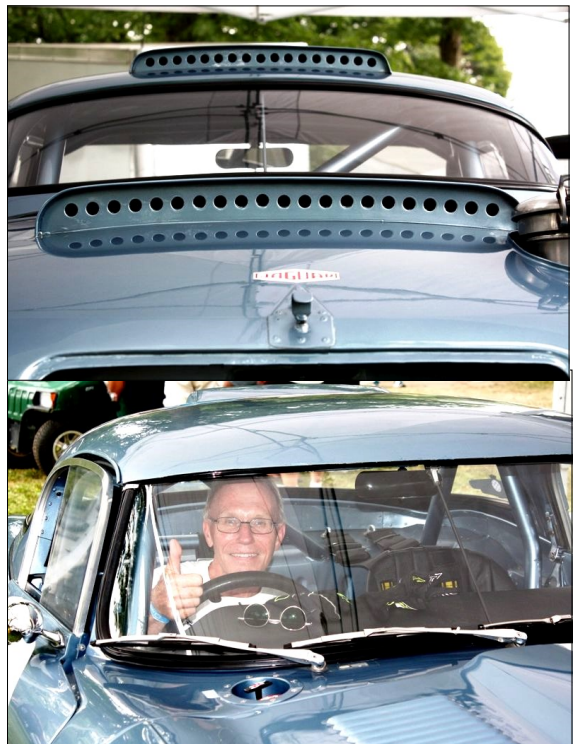
Bob & Tina Krivenko garnered 1st place in their class with their outstanding 1957 Triumph TR3 while Bruce Kogan came away with 3rd place in his 1980 MGB.



Upshifts ~ By Stan Carpenter

PVGP Bucket List Moment

If you're a schooled Jaguar enthusiast, then these two photos carry all the 'weight' you need to know. Its story is in the works for a future TIRE TRAX.



West Shore Show Scene - an example of life outside the box!

You probably wouldn't expect much from the very first car show held by Camp Hill's Christ Community Church but, for the club called upon to execute it for them, the Toys of Time Kruzers are anything but rookies.

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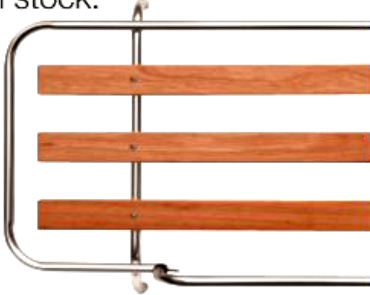
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Upshifts (Cont.)

They were my 'go to' resource for judging at The MoM, and still are under its new leadership. Final tally – 164 vehicles registered! It really should have been more, given the slim British turnout of 2 MGs, 1 TVR and the Jag. One guy in his late 30's shared of his earliest memories of dad's TRs and Healeys, father and cars gone decades ago, hoping to hook up with someone at the show for guidance on a way back into it for himself and his son, age 6.

I did my part although I don't have either make, so think about those appointments where destiny awaits you as the show season enters its second half rush toward mid-October with Meeting of the Marques (9/25), Pennsboro Pumpkin Fest (10/9) and Dillsburg Farmers Fair (10/16), to name a few. That 'chance meeting' designed just for you can't occur if you aren't there.



"If you think it's hard to meet new people, try picking up the wrong golf ball." - Jack Lemmon

CPTC Goodbye Summer Picnic Gifford Pinchot State Park September 19, 2021

Last year's picnic had a great turnout; so we decided to do it again! We have rented a pavilion (Woodland) in the Quaker Race Day Use Area on the west side of the lake. The picnic will begin at 1:30 PM - CPTC will provide paper products, flatware, table cloths and charcoal for those wishing to grill.

Attendees must bring their own food, drinks, red solo cups and bag chairs.

Also, please consider donating an item for the always popular Silent Auction. Proceeds from the auction will be used to help defray expenses for the rental of the pavilion and other related costs. Please contact Bill Shover - Phone: 717-249-4463 or Email wsspis@pa.net

Thank You!

****NEWS YOU CAN USE****

CPTC now has a Facebook group which will allow us to get club news to you quickly. You will also be able to post your Triumph adventures to the group when something good comes your way.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/773444003051724> and join the group or search for Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club on Facebook.



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...

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

Check out the Classified Section on
The Roadster Factory's website:

[www.the-roadster-factory.com/
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This free-to-list site contains numerous
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2022 TRA National Meet



Host Hotel: Wyndham Gettysburg. It's a beautiful property and our attendees will feel welcome at this location.
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Volunteers are still needed!



Please join us for the 23rd Annual



Britain on the Green

September 19, 2021

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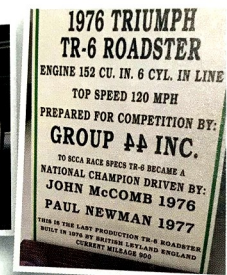
The Club Corner

This link leads to a descriptive listing of screws used in Triumphs. It's handy as a cross reference to more readily available screws at your local hardware store.

[11.pdf \(stagbytriumph.co.uk\)](http://stagbytriumph.co.uk/11.pdf)

**Submitted by Ron Weber*

Bob Tullius supports TR Register COVID-19 appeal



Dear Editor,

I am a regular reader of Derek Graham's work in the magazine and enjoy keeping up with TR6 activities at all the Triumph events in the UK.

I thought you would be interested in the enclosed photo. As you can see, we have done our part to support your COVID-19 efforts with our TR6 display in my airplane / car hangar.

Also very happy to learn that Triumph activities have resumed at least partially and wish all TR owners a fun summer.

Bob Tullius, Group 44 Inc.

**Gleaned from TRaction magazine*

***Submitted by R. Roenigk*



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.

1974 MGB - all original, Desert Tan, California car, 3rd owner, 37,000 miles. Solid body and mechanically sound, starts and runs great. Prefer to see it go to a good home. Call Tom (Member) at (717) 432-5650 or email tr-tom@comcast.net. [Listed 05/21]

1978 Triumph Spitfire 1500 - blue w/ghost flames, new black top, black leather interior, no rust or mechanical issues, 45,795 original miles. Car is located in York, PA. \$7500 OBO. Call Cory (Non-member) between 9 AM - 9PM at 717-683-3516 or email him at cbless910@gmail.com [Listed 4/21]

1969 MGB - British Racing Green w/black interior. Paint and interior need help. Ran well when I had to park her too many years ago. All chrome accent pieces on the body are in place. Three windshield wipers are a nice touch. Six wire wheels are included. Needs lots of TLC. First \$1500 or best offer takes her home. Contact Randy (Member) at 717-432-4410. [Listed 04/21]

Car Parts:

For Sale: Convertible top - Black vinyl w/steel framework and plastic rear window. Fits 1971 and later TR6; \$250.00 OBO. Contact Marty (Member) at 717-648-1189. [Listed 8/21]

For Sale: Transmission - Used, original transmission from 1959 Triumph TR3A. Transmission has not been rebuilt and does not have overdrive. Asking \$400 OBO. Rear Axle - Used rear axle casing from a 1959 TR3A. Asking \$150 OBO. Parts are located in the Lancaster area. If interested, contact Jim Thompson (Non-member) at 717-808-5342 (daytime phone) or email thompsonjim03@gmail.com [Listed 8/21]

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The Brokerage (Continued)

Want to Buy: Set of 4 steel wheels for Triumph TR4. Wheel width - 4.5" from bead to bead. Contact Bob Logan (Non-member) at 610-401-0834 or email him with info at boblogan61@gmail.com . [Listed 2/21]

Triumph TR4 Radiator for Sale - crank hole recently refurbished by Arnold Radiator Hospital in Lebanon PA. Radiator is an original Coventry radiator with tag intact. The upper & lower tanks were removed and cleaned, core cleaned & flushed, reassembled and pressure tested. There is a very small ding in the upper tank but otherwise very clean. Pictures available on request. \$350, pick-up only. Contact Ron Weber (Member), email: rmweber 99@yahoo.com [Listed 02/21]

TR3 Roll Bar: Constructed of heavy wall, steel tubing and was used in a TR3A for hill climb events by the previous owner. It is a four-point mount to rear fender wells, utilizing four bolts and a heavy backing plate at each mounting point. Pictures provided upon request. \$200, pick-up only. Contact Ron Weber (Member) - Email: rmweber 99@yahoo.com [Listed 6/20]

TR3 Gas Tank: Fits post-TS60000 cars. Pressure tight - no leaks; should be cleaned and coated before use, \$75. Call or text Joe Laurito (Member) at 717-991-1428 or email trglory@hotmail.com [Listed 1/20]

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

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Attention CPTC Members **Membership Renewal - June 1st**

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Thank you!

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