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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 John Miele at 717-566-7228 or email newsletter@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

I'm looking forward to the Fall Leaf tour arriving as scheduled. Thanks to Dick and Diane James for planning the route. It's been a while since a selected tour date has had beautiful weather and leaves at their peak to go with it. Let's hope our cars respond.

Here is a reminder to members who have winter projects lined up to share them with the membership via a Newsletter article. We all can use the encouragement and maybe some motivation to undertake one. If not, we will cheer you on and start a "Go Fund Me" site!

At a recent car show a guy was all excited to tell everyone how his Bugeye had a "human" face with that smiley look. That got me thinking about other models that fit this category. How about the Mazda RX8 or even way back to the 1950 Buick. Even the old VW Bug with eye-lashes can count. If you think of others, let me know.

Before the leaves disappear and cooler weather sets in, consider getting those last rides in for memories that will last all winter long. Keep an eye on the Events Calendar for those activities that help make the downtime go faster.

Speaking of winter, it's not too early to send in those checks for our annual Christmas Party on Dec 8, 2024.

Deadline for reservations is Nov. 22nd. Details are on P.11 of this newsletter.

Stay Safe, Keep Calm and
Motor On!

Rich



New Member ... Welcome!

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

**James Kerber
Lewisburg, PA**

We're pleased to have you with us!

2024 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.

- 11/19/24** CPTC Board Meeting - Noon at Hoss' Steak & Sea, Mechanicsburg. Election of officers - Vice President, Treasurer and Webmaster.
- 12/8/24** CPTC Christmas Party - 1:00 - 4:00 PM at the Hershey Italian Lodge, 128 Hillcrest Road, Hershey. See P. 11 for details.

Meeting of the Marques 2024 - CPTC Award Winners



30th Ann. British Car Festival Altoona, PA September 24 & 25, 2024

~ By Rich Roenigk

August 23rd – 25th were the dates for Jim and Lori Pastore's 30th Anniversary British Car Festival in Altoona, PA. Mary Ann in her 1979 MGB and I in my 1963 TR4 made the trek to join a group of around ninety attendees. The weather was great, as was the event schedule.

Friday night's reception was at Lenny Fiore's impressive Classic Car Museum in downtown Altoona. If you are in the market for a new or used vehicle of many makes, he has dealerships all over town. His garage is a four story brick and concrete building with 20 pristine show cars for viewing by the participants.



(Jaguar SS Tourer)

A range from a TR3 to Aston Martin, Jaguar and Rolls Royce makes for quite a display.



Lenny's hospitality included an open bar, with pizza - Thank you, Lenny!

Saturday's schedule was a tour of the Railroad Museum, as Altoona was a big player in the construction of railcars. Hours were spent there to understand the impact the industry had on the area.

Saturday eve's dinner was a feast of BBQ chicken held at the huge Blair County Convention Center. Many door prizes supplied by the various local businesses were awarded.

Sunday was a non-judged car show at Lakemont Park - a picnic lunch included. This was a good time to view the various cars and talk with owners about our hobby. This event has been going on for 30 years and is the best bang for the buck at a \$50 fee. A British car is not required to attend so make your plans for next year to join in on the fun.

**Meeting of the Marques
Carlisle, PA
September 28, 2024**

This year's Meeting of the Marques was dedicated to the lasting memory of Stan Carpenter, a friend to all who knew him and one who left us far too soon.



Stan's wife, Angie, stands alongside the memorial display in his honor.

Despite the overcast and drizzle, there was a good turnout of classic autos of the British variety to be admired.



Meeting of the Marques (Cont.)

Despite the less than ideal weather, CPTC members did very well when it came time to grant awards. A list of the winners known to us follows - check the SVVSCC website (when updated) to review the complete 2024 MoM awards:

www.svvsc.com

CPTC Award Winners

Gary Fatheree

Bruce Kogan

Kelby Steele

Ron Weber

Denny Ward

Harold Zabady



Ron Weber's newly restored Triumph TR3

Elections to CPTC's Board of Directors

Elections are now underway for the following offices on CPTC's Board of Directors:

- Rory Liebrum - Vice President**
- Eileen Dilger - Treasurer**
- Robert Van Dam - Webmaster**

Please remember to vote!

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CPTC Fall Leaf Tour October 20, 2024 ~ By Dennis Ward

Sunday, October 20 was a fine, fine day. Sunny, low 70s, sky as blue as can be. Made to order for organizers Dick and Diane James' first tour in a long time.

We met in the Mechanicsburg Wal-Mart parking lot. At first, we were just three cars, but by 1:00 our numbers had quickly multiplied to 13 cars, mostly Triumphs, carrying 27 eager people. I was the only solo, as Cindy had signed up for a Crop Walk to benefit local food banks.



My lack of a navigator turned out not to be an issue, as I was plopped in the middle of the group, and the James' took it slow and steady; not like some runs in the old days when we had to keep up at well above the speed limits. (Do I sound like an old fogey? I am.)



Dick and Diane guided us through some brilliant foliage in Cumberland and Perry Counties.



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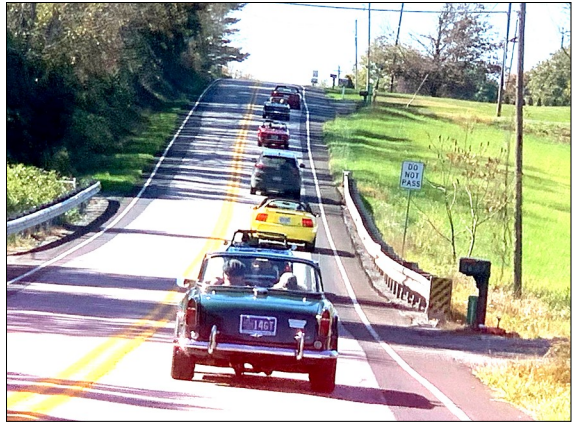
Fall Leaf Tour (Cont.)



Driving over Lambs Gap Road brought back memories of when my dad and I hunted on the north side of Lambs Gap. Unlike in the 1950s and '60s, when the entire length of the road was rutted dirt and stone, the new surface is smooth as silk. Down the slope and then west on 850, we passed through typical, small Perry County villages, lined with bright yellow and red-leaved trees.



Eventually we turned south and began the climb up Sterrett's Gap.



Down the mountain and over a well-planned route of back roads from Carlisle to Mechanicsburg, we eventually landed at Marzoni's Italian Restaurant, just off Wesley Drive. Most of us had not dined there before; but we had a unanimous thumbs -up for the experience. I am so grateful to Dick and Diane for putting together this fun and scenic run!



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CPTC Christmas Party

Hershey Italian Lodge
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December 8th
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Please join us for an enjoyable Sunday afternoon to begin the Holiday Season.

Dinner choices include salad, potato, vegetables, rolls & butter, coffee and hot tea. The entrées are as follows:

**Black Pearl Salmon
or**

Italian Baked Chicken

Vegetarian meal choice:

Stuffed Shells w/ marinara sauce

We will forego the traditional gift exchange in favor of a Silent Auction. Please bring any items you wish to donate with you.

Also, please contact Bill Shover prior to the party with a description of any items to be donated. Bill's email is:

wsspis@pa.net

The cost for the dinner is \$20 each for member/spouse or member/guest.

A cash bar is available for soda, beer, wine and mixed drinks.

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Please send your check, payable to CPTC, to 7301 Devonshire Heights Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111

Checks **MUST** include your choice of entrée. **Reservation deadline is Nov. 22nd** - No walk-ins or late reservations can be accepted as entrees have to be pre-ordered.

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.

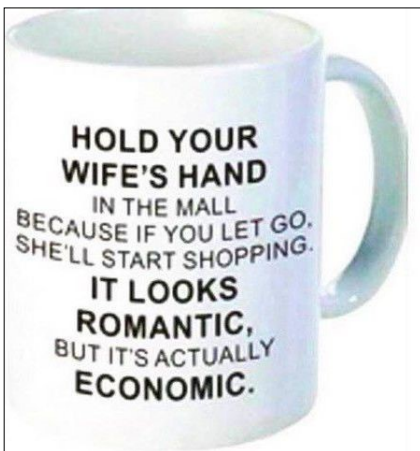
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The Club Corner



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**Submitted by Ron Weber*



**Submitted by Rich Roenigk*

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The Brokerage

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For Sale:

1960 TR3A Project Car – I picked up this TR3A a couple of years ago, thinking that it would be a nice retirement project, but I find I don't have the time nor the money to see it through. The motor had been rebuilt by the PO, and I had the transmission and overdrive rebuilt and put them in a spare frame with the rest of the suspension and brakes. The body is rough, but I have the new rockers, floor pans and loads of spare parts. I'm asking \$5600. The car is located in Greensboro, NC. Call Steve [Non-member] at 336-689-7348 or email at sparker27407@gmail.com [Listed 10/24]

1970 Triumph Spitfire - Last year for the rounded tail. Mazda high back seats, rebuilt transmission, new electronic dash gauges, new top and boot cover. Runs nice; but not a show car. \$7800. Call Larry (non-member) at 717-424-6020 [Listed 5/24]

1959 TR3, 1964 Spitfire, and 1972 MGB for sale 1959 TR3 is a project car with most parts, very little rust. Asking \$3500. 1964 Triumph Spitfire was restored years ago, no rust, asking \$5500. 1972 MGB is in decent shape, asking \$3750. Contact Ed Wagaman (Member) at 717-476-3198 [Listed 11/23]

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The Brokerage (Cont.)

Car Parts - For sale/Want to Buy

Want to Buy: 4 stock rims for a 1980 TR7. Please contact: Fred Cluck (Non-member) at 717-413-8363 or Email fredcluck1@gmail.com [Listed 11/24]

1972 TR6 Parts for sale: Hood, Trunk, Fenders available. Contact Ed Wagaman (Member) at 717-476-3198 [Listed 11/23]

Want to Buy - Set of 4 wire wheels for '65 TR4A. Text Bob Switalski (Member) at 717-475-0866 or email mswitalski@comcast.net [Listed 10/23]

Attention CPTC Members: SIGN-UP FOR THE CPTC GOOGLE GROUP!

The Central Pennsylvania Triumph Club now has a new communication option for CPTC members- Google Groups. This is an email distribution list that makes it easy for group members to communicate with each other using a shared email address. Its a perfect way to reach out to other CPTC members for an impromptu ice cream run or to ask LBC questions. If you missed the email announcement and want to join, contact Ron Weber at web@cptc.org

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Pics from the Past



Queuing up for a run - Spring 1991

Membership Renewal - June 1st

The membership renewal date for ALL CPTC members is June 1, 2024

The current list of CPTC members may be found on our website under the "Members Area"

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