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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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All material intended for **Triumph News** should be submitted to John Miele, Editor. Contact information: Phone ~ 717-566-7228 or email newsletter@cptc.org.

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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

A big THANK YOU to Club members for stepping up with Tech sessions, trips and events added to the calendar. It makes for a busy driving season full of choices and decisions to make. A reminder that you're welcome to participate with *any* car you have, British not required.

Plans and reservations have been made for the TRA in Ohio in June and the VTR in Georgia in September. If you can do the same, let's plan a caravan trip by trailering or driving a car. These events bring out the best of cars and the information shared is very helpful. Part of the enjoyment is going to places that one would never consider otherwise; but it turns out to be a great venue. The clubs putting on these shows really go out of their way to make it a success. It is a lot of hard work and long hours to make it so. A great turnout is their reward.

LANCO MG Club has been to some of our events and has offered us an invite to their events. Cars & Coffee at the Burger King in Columbia (Lancaster County) is being held on Saturday, April 1st at 10 am. A covered bridge tour of Lancaster County on May 7th is planned. August 27th has a Polo Match and car show in Rothsville, also in Lancaster County. As we have members scattered far and wide, these events may be a good choice for proximity.

The Apple Blossom run has been set for April 22nd - the rain date is April 23rd. At their peak, the scent of apple blossoms fills the air - the aroma while driving a top down Brit car has no comparison. It's an experience worthy of consideration.

Stay Safe, Keep Calm and Motor On!

Rich



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...

2023 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.

- April 12th** CPTC Board Meeting - John's Diner, 146 Sheraton Dr., New Cumberland, PA. Take the Limekiln Exit off I-83. All are welcome!
- April 22nd** Apple Blossom Run - No. Adams County. Rain date is April 23rd. Meet at 10:30 AM at Rutter's store - intersection of US Rte.15 S and PA Rte. 234 - Biglerville Exit. Lunch at The Thirsty Farmer.
- April 30th** 25th Annual Britain on the Green - Gunston Hall, Lorton, VA. British car & motorcycle show. 9AM - 3PM. For info/reg. visit <http://britainonthegreen.org>
- May 6th** 27th Annual Lewes British Motorcar Show - Lewes Terminal of Lewes/Cape May Ferry, 8:30 AM. Merchant Sidewalk & Art sale, Farmer's Market & historical sites in addition to the car show. Reg.: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/27th-annual-lewes-british-motorcar-show-2023-registration-528483186437>
- May 12 - 14** Carlisle Import & Performance Show, Carlisle Fairgrounds. Register online: <http://store.CarlisleEvents.com> or call 717-243-7855. Be sure to mention that you are a CPTC member. *CPTC Event**
- May 18-20** 2023 AACA Eastern Spring Nationals - held at Wyndham Gettysburg Gettysburg, PA. Thursday night Cruise-In, \$5 entry fee at gate. More event info/reg. at www.aaca.org
- May 20th** Triumph Rescue Spring Shakedown Car Show, 149 Limekiln Road, Bechtelsville, PA 19505 See P. 9 for registration details. The 2023 Spring Shakedown Car Show is sponsored by Matt Bakes and our friends at Triumph Rescue in Bally, PA. The non-judged car show will run from 9am - 3 pm (rain date is May 21st). Lunch food will be available for purchase. The registration fee is \$15.00 and proceeds will benefit the Eastern Berks Fire Dept. and the Bally Community Ambulance Co. Registration: triumphs@triumphrescue.com or call 610-845-8217.

2023 Calendar of Events (Cont.)

- June 3rd** **Cars and Motorcycles of England - 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM, Hope Lodge, Fort Washington, PA. British-marque, judged show. See P. 14**
- June 19-23** **2023 TRA National Meet, Hueston Woods Lodge, College Corner, OH 45003. For more information/registration, visit: <https://www.miamivalleytriumphs.org/tra-2023>**
- June 24-25** **Pagoda Hillclimb, Reading, PA. Details to follow.**
- July 13 – 16** **Elkhart Lake, WI. The Kastner Cup will be the featured marque of the 2023 WeatherTech International Challenge with Brian Redman. One of the largest vintage race car gatherings in the United States, featuring over 50 classes of cars racing in several groups.**
- Aug 19 – 20** **Duryea Hillclimb, Reading, PA 19602. Admission is by voluntary donation to Pagoda-Skyline, Inc. Racing starts each day around 9AM and continues until 4PM. A shuttle bus will operate both days, taking spectators up and down the hill, with stops. Car show on Sunday. See [BMR-SCCA | Duryea Hillclimb page](#) for more info.**
- Aug 26 – 28** **Central PA British Car Festival - Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Altoona, 2915 Pleasant Valley Blvd, Altoona, PA 16602. A two day event features John Twist of University Motors, Lenny's Car Museum, axe throwing event, Mountain Tour to Pig Roast and Lakemont Park Car Show. Pre-registration required. See brochure at <https://www.centralpabritishcar.com> for more details.**
- Sept. 8 - 10** **Watkins Glen Vintage GP - for more information, please visit: www.grandprixfestival.com/index.html**
- Sept. 21-24** **6-Pack Trials in the Alleghany's, Indiana, PA. Host hotel - Ramada by Wyndham. Open to TR6s & TR250s only. More info. on P. 14.**
- Sept. 24th** **St. Michaels Concours d'Elegance on the Chesapeake Bay - Kent Island Yacht Club, Kent Narrows, MD. Delahaye is the featured marque.**
- 9/27 - 10/1** **VTR National Meet - Dillard, GA. See P. 14 for more information.**
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Householder Auction

~ By Vic Nigro

Over the last 50 years, Tom Householder of Lancaster Ohio, gathered an amazing collection of British cars. Last month he sold it all.

Tom is one of the founding members of the Triumph Register of America and always had his fingers in some rather unique projects. Here are just a couple examples: He created the "TRuck". This was a TR3 that had the backend removed and replaced with a homemade truck bed. I don't know why someone would do this; but he did. Another effort was the "TRock", a 12-inch TR3 model car that was cast in cement.

Tom sold his entire collection of Swallow Doretti's and Triumphs a few weeks ago. A Doretti glovebox Operators Manual in excellent condition sold for \$2500. One member of Delaware Valley Triumphs purchased a box of rusty TR2 and TR3 parts. He wasn't after the rusty parts on the top of the box; but wanted the two early TR2 thermostat housings he found in the bottom of the box.

There were nine Doretti's sold, with the most expensive selling for \$18,000. Someone looking for a project could have purchased a project Doretti minus an engine for \$2600. In my mind, a cheap price for such a rare car.

1954 Swallow Doretti



A 1970 TR6 with several pieces missing sold for \$700. A TVR went for \$3000 and a '66 TR4 race car with an extensive Mid-Ohio race history brought \$4000. An all original long door TR2 (TS2797LO) with 7,696 original miles sold for \$9000. Tom purchased this car from the Harrah's museum in Las Vegas many years ago. Unfortunately, it sat for years under a lean-to, defenseless against critters and elements. When sold, the car was covered with surface rust and the interior had numerous rips and tears.

The highlight of the auction was a 1955 Francorchamps TR2 (TS5595LN). For those unfamiliar with this model, they were TR2s made in Belgium with an attached hardtop, redesigned doors, and roll up windows.

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Householder Auction (Cont.)

1955 Triumph Francorchamps



Of those 22 Belgium- made cars, only 17 remain in existence today. Even with its missing parts, disassembled state and missing engine, it still brought \$33,000!

You can find pictures of this collection by Googling “Householder collection of Doretti’s”.

**Photos: Burns Auction & Appraisal LLC*

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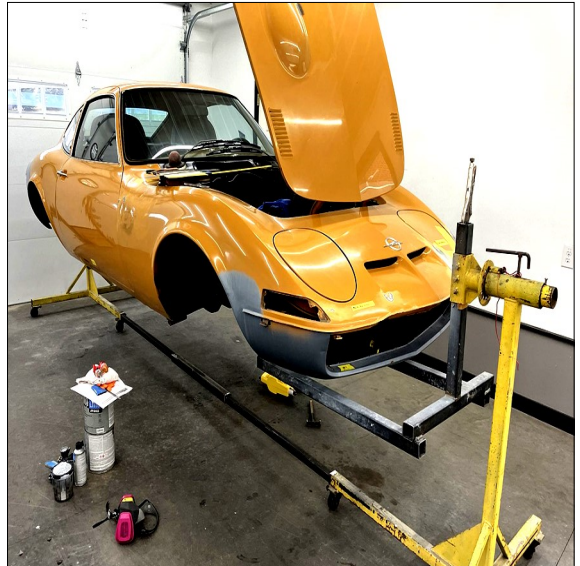
Denny Ryder's Tech Session: Body Work

~ By Rich Roenigk

Saturday, February 25th was a cool and windy day to drive a Brit car to Denny Ryder's Tech session in Loganville, PA; but the inside of his garage was warm, with 19 attendees (8 from LANCO MG Club!). The hospitality and generosity of Denny and his wife, Tana, made the trip completely worthwhile. Denny mentioned that his background in Auto Body repair started in High School Vo-Tech and included several years of operating his own body shop. He then moved on to a long career in the insurance industry.

The cars of the 60's through the 80's were much different in structure and materials used compared to today's models. Three project cars were on display showing the different stages of the process. The black 1957 Corvette was outstanding, needing only finishing touches.

The Opel GT and TR250 formed the basis for the discussion.



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Ryder Tech Session (Cont.)

Denny went through the various stages of the processes, materials and tools he uses based upon his years of experience. He showed us when welding is a useful option and also a 3M glue that performs just as well.



As he went through the discussion, one got the feeling that it's not rocket science, but it's the next thing to it!

Following the 2 1/2 hour presentation, subs and refreshments were served, along with lots of discussion. Many folks commented that it may be best to leave this job to the pros!

A big THANK YOU to Denny and Tana for their efforts in hosting a great event!

**Photos by Rich Roenigk & Ron Weber*



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The most recent additions to the CPTC ranks are:

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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!

Attention, CPTC Members!

If you are in the process of doing a full restoration and are doing much of the work yourself, please let us know! Mention your project to a Board member or send an email to:

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**Taken from the Drive Your Triumph Day Website - submitted by Vic Nigro*

Trivia Question:

Singer B J Thomas ('Hooked on a Feeling') passed recently at age 78. Before he began his solo career, he was part of a musical group based in Houston, TX.

What was the name of that group?

**Submitted by Cliff Grube*

****Trivia answer - top right of page**

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Car Parts

Want to Buy - Convertible top for TR6, with frame; prefer black. Contact Rich Roenigk (Member) at 717-487-1795 or rroenigk@aol.com [Listed 2/23]

TR6 Parts - transmission, clutch, pressure plate, throughout bearing & drive shaft from a 1972 TR6. Only 3000 miles on clutch, pressure plate & T/O bearing since replacement. If interested, call Ken (Member) at 717-461-6060 and make an offer. [Listed 2/23]

TR3 Parts - 3 Arizona TR3 Rolling Body shells - One is raised bonnet hinge style, other two are flat style. Great replacement for rusted project car. Prices start at \$4500 USD. Body shells located in Ontario, Canada, 1½ hours from Buffalo, NY. If interested, call Stephen Choquette (Non-member) - Phone: 905-873-1774 [Listed 11/22]



VTR 2023 - Sept. 27th – Oct. 1st

Dillard, Georgia

More information at www.VTR2023.org

Host hotel is the Dillard House –

www.dillardhouse.com

Event Hosted by the Georgia Triumph Association

www.gatriumph.com

2023 6-Pack TRials Date and Location Announced

TRials in the Alleghany's

The 2023 6-Pack TRials will be September 21 – 24, 2023 in Indiana, Pennsylvania. The host hotel is:

**Ramada by Wyndham
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<https://wyndhamhotels.com/ramada/indiana-pennsylvania/ramada-indiana/overview?checkinDate=09/>

To make reservations, enter the URL above or call the hotel and ask for the **6-Pack Car Club TRials 2023** to get the reduced pricing of \$99.00/night.

Additional details and the registration form will be rolled out on the 6-Pack website and Facebook page in early 2023 TRials, please contact Mark Anderson, (517)-270-0789.



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Drive Your Triumph Day Friday, February 10, 2023

~ By Ron Weber

CPTC had a good turnout at Troegs Brewery in Hershey, PA to celebrate Drive Your Triumph Day. The weather was unusually warm and sunny; so it made for a great drive there.



Members arrived from nearly all compass points to raise a glass to Sir John Black. They included: Cliff & Kathy Grube, Ron and Linda Weber, Bob & Tina Krivenko, Denny & Eileen Dilger, Rich Roenigk, Bruce Kogan, Ken Egan, John Krause, and Dan Lehr.



I don't know about anyone else; but Linda and I took the long way home to take full advantage of the nice February weather!

Kudos to Ron & Linda Weber for their efforts in setting up this CPTC event. [Ed.]

**Photos by John Krause & Ron Weber*

***See more photos at www.cptc.org under 'Recent Events' and/or Google Photos*



Jerry & Jenn Frasso's '73 Triumph TR6 at Long's Church in Stouchburg, PA. [National Historic Site - built in 1785]

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