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CPTC Fall Leaf Tour - ably led by Denny & Tana Ryder. **Photo by Ron Weber*

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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 Ron Weber at 717-867-4548 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

The days are getting shorter and most of the leaves are gone; but CPTC remains an energetic group. The end of the year, with the best holidays ahead, reminds me to give a big shout out to my fellow Board Officers. THANK YOU for your time, talent and energy in keeping our Club active. If you haven't been to a Board meeting, come and see what goes on behind the scenes to make it all happen. They truly make my job easy and enjoyable.

Also, a huge THANK YOU to the many members who stepped up with Tech sessions, driving events and stories for the Newsletter. The best ideas come from our membership at large!

We can do it bigger and better in 2024. As our membership encompasses a large area, we are going to try to have a local event coordinator in the North, East, South and West. Our goal is have a monthly event held in your area; i.e., cars and coffee, ice cream run, beer and bull session, etc. Once each area's plan is scheduled, let our Club Secretary, Mary Ann, know and it will be advertised to membership. Hopefully more members will become involved by keeping it local and perhaps attract non-members to join our Club. And if they are looking to buy a car ... we can help make that happen too!

Many of us put our cars away for the season; so now is a good time to Google information on battery tenders. The price of a new battery makes this a sensible thing to do.

There are basically just two automotive battery manufacturers in the US: Clarios was formed after Johnson Controls sold off this division and East Penn Mfg. is located here in PA, south of Kutztown.

I look forward to see many of you at our annual Christmas Dinner. Wearing an ugly sweater /outfit will add to the fun.

Stay Safe, Keep Calm and Motor On!

Rich



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.

- Dec. 3rd** **CPTC Christmas Party** - Hershey Italian Lodge, 128 Hillcrest Road, Hershey, PA. Sunday, 1:00 - 4:00 PM. Complete details on P. 9
- 1/24/24** **CPTC Board Meeting** - Location: TBD
- 5/10-11/24** **Carlisle Import & Performance Nationals** - Info to follow.
- 6/2/24** **CPTC 35th Anniversary Celebration** - Elks Club Picnic Area.
Date and location are tentative at this point - Details to follow.
- 6/17-22/24** **TRA National Meet** - Mohican State Park, OH. Details later.
- 9/6/24** **Watkins Glen GP Festival**, Watkins Glen, NY. MG is the Featured
Marque. Information to follow.
- 9/8-12/24** **VTR National Meet** - Nashville, IN. Details to follow.

All CPTC Members:

The Board has been made aware of the fact that some members are not receiving all of the email advisories which have been sent out. To correct this problem, please check your email spam filter to ensure that Club emails are not being directed to the spam folder.

Also, please add the following email address to your list of approved contacts:
cptcnews1@gmail.com

Employing these two options should correct any ongoing problems. If problems persist, please contact any Board member - Thank you.

Fall Leaf Tour October 22, 2023 ~ By Denny Ward

The forecast for Sunday, October 22nd, was dismal - Another weekend of rain. Imagine everyone's surprise when the forecast abruptly changed to sunshine and blue skies! Chilly, but we can handle chilly.

The new forecast proved to be spot on. Cindy and I set out in our black TR4 with top up and heater on; but no concern about getting wet. Autumn leaves were falling on our lawn, and the maples were all yellow along our route to the Sheetz in Mechanicsburg. Most of the group was already present at the Cumberland Parkway location. One of the first things that caught my attention was a trio of GT-6s, in red, white and black. After about 15 minutes of talking and gawking, it was time to saddle up. I had reviewed the itinerary and found that nearly the entire route lay within 'my old stomping grounds'. Over the years I had travelled nearly all of the routes on a regular basis. At least I knew I wasn't going to get lost.

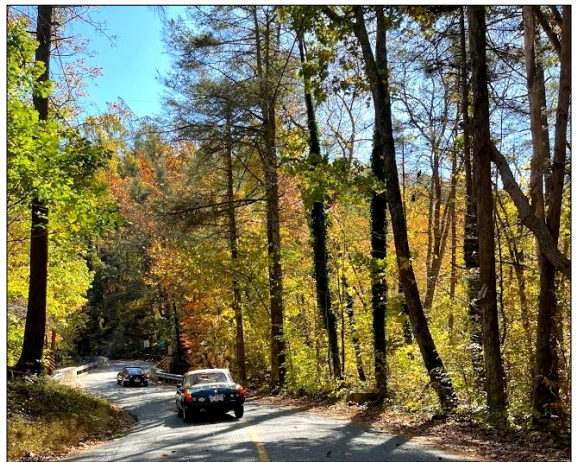


We travelled south on Market St and then left onto N. Lewisberry Rd. When we lived in Lewisberry, I travelled that route almost daily. It hadn't changed much, except that this time there were over a dozen British cars ahead of me.

I was not at all disappointed to be right behind the Krivenko's beautiful red TR3.



The tour followed a nice selection of lightly-travelled blacktop, with lots of reds and yellows on the trees. Once we entered Bull Road, the scenery was even more familiar, as I use that route to fill up with non-ethanol fuel at Dottie's. The fall colors were abundant along Bull Rd., forming a tunnel through the trees.



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Fall Leaf Tour (Cont.)

A rest stop at Dottie's on Canal Rd. allowed for refueling, a bathroom break or a bit of shopping at the garden store. Warming temps led to windows being opened, but tops remained secure. Then off we went onto Nursery Rd. (as an aside, many decades ago Cindy's grandmother grew up in a two story house that we passed just off the intersection of Nursery and Bull Roads.) We crossed over Butter Rd., this time following Bruce Kogan's shiny, BRG MGB. Onward past fields of soybean and brown corn stalks, we arrived at Old Carlisle Rd. (Rte. 74 N).



Many Thanks to Denny & Tana Ryder for putting together this interesting and fun tour. The scenery perfectly complemented the great weather!

**Photos by Denny Ward & Ron Weber*



We then re-traced our steps through Bowmansdale, turning onto Grantham Rd., passing Messiah College and the beautiful Willows at Ashcombe Mansion and on to TJ Rockwell's for a delicious late lunch/early dinner.

Unfortunately, Cindy and I could not stay to eat; but we did 'meet and greet' for a bit while the LBCs trickled in. It was good to see John Krause, who could not take the tour; but did bring his TR250 to join the group for dinner.

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.

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**Submitted by Rich Roenigk*

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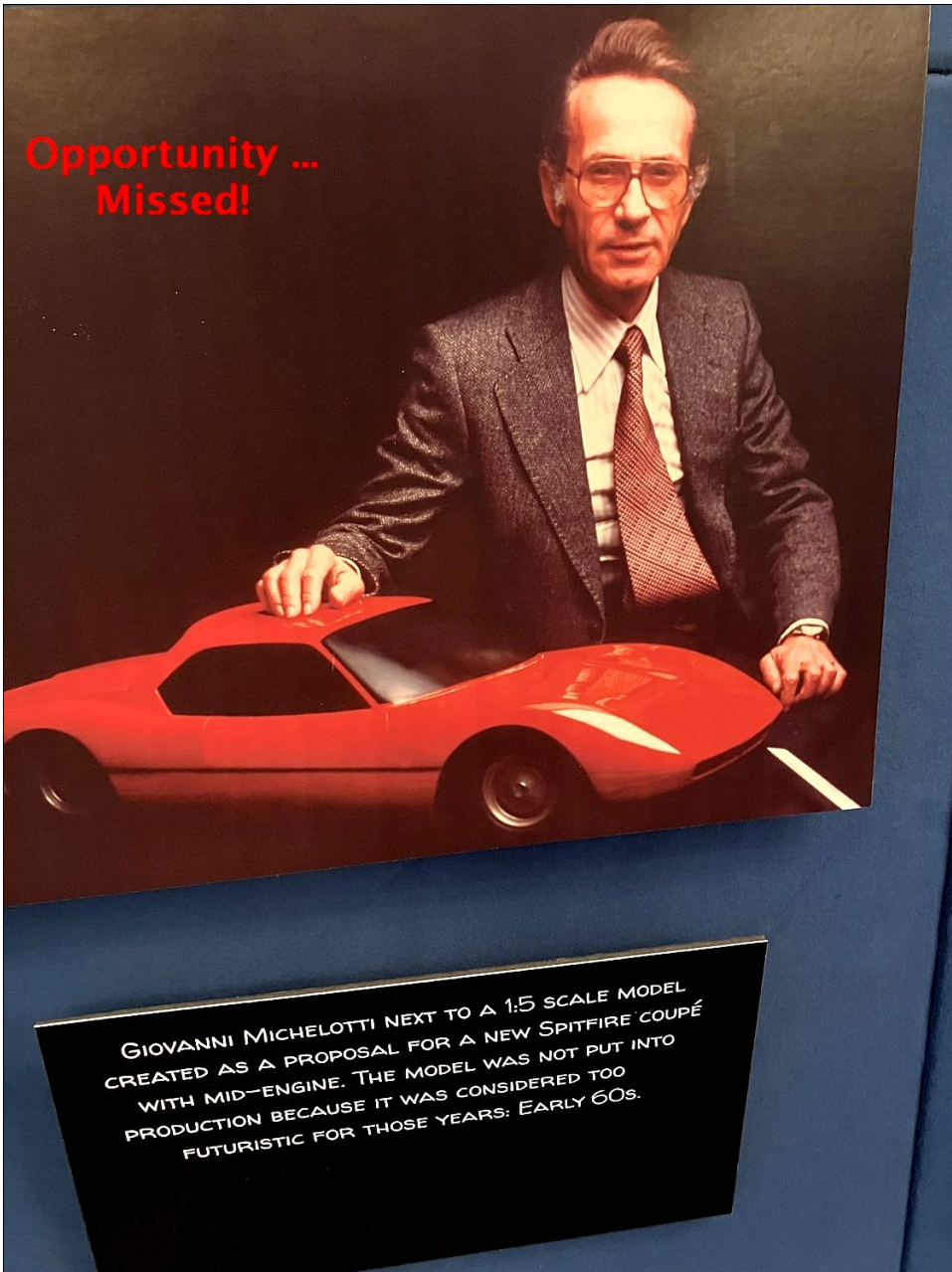
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50th Anniversary Celebration TR Club Holland (TRCH) 1973-2023

**~ By Gert van de Klashorst
International Coordinator,
TR Club Holland
TR3B Registrar**

The TRCH was founded in 1973 by five young men who owned cheap, second hand TRs. Since they lived relatively close together, they got to know each other because of their TRs. They decided to post a small ad in a Dutch newspaper to see if there was any interest in setting up a club. A few responses were received; the first meeting held and the club founded.

Nice accommodations with lots of parking space and wonderful food.



During that weekend more than 250 TRs were present. I have never seen so many Triumphs in one place, except for the TR International weekend held in the UK. The weather was relatively nice after weeks of scorching heat.

The pictures will tell the rest ...



So, in June 2023 we celebrated the 50th anniversary with 4 of the 5 founding members present. The widow of the 5th member was also there. A great central location in the Netherlands was selected for the celebration site.



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Write to: VTR-E-New Membership, PO Box 655, Howell, MI, 48844 or visit www.vtr.org for more information and a membership application.

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

**[www.the-roadster-factory.com/
Classifiedsform.php](http://www.the-roadster-factory.com/Classifiedsform.php)**

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!

Membership Renewal - June 1st

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

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Lane Motor Museum Nashville, TN ~ By Jay Snavely

In mid-October we visited the Lane Motor Museum near Nashville, Tennessee. It had been on my bucket list for a long time and is home to a large collection of cars, motorcycles and other vehicles.

They all fall within at least two of these categories: Small, rare, and weird. The large collection also includes a Spitfire and a TR8. Other than numerous Loti, and Triumphs of course, many of these vehicles would be at home at a Concours De Lemon show. There were two wheelers, three wheelers and four wheelers. And there were some familiar marques, such as Lotus and MG, many of which would be classified as micro cars.



There was an OTAS 820 (Lombardi, et. al) Grand Prix rear-engine sports car next to a Fiat 850. The OTAS was sold under a number of different marques from 1968 to 1972.



The car used the underpinnings from the Fiat 850 and, oddly enough, it made the 850 look large!

There were modern cars; but with models not meeting US specs and never imported when new. One example is the Honda Beat, which is a very neat modern car, seen occasionally on Bring A Trailer.

I couldn't leave without buying a car; so I purchased an HO scale Messerschmitt to add to my HO dealership. Last time you saw one of them on a dealer's lot was ...?





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.

For Sale:

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]

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]

1975 Triumph TR6 - Professionally restored, Primrose yellow, black interior with high back seats. 44,185 miles. Modified and set up for long road trips. 5 speed transmission, high performance cam, electronic ignition, stainless steel exhaust, emergency hood release, battery quick disconnect. [Photos can be viewed here.](#) Serious offers only. Best offer. Tom Miceli (member) (717) 432-5650 [Listed 9/23]

1969 Triumph TR6 - Professionally restored with less than 5000 miles since restoration, British Racing Green, buckskin interior, 59,314 miles, stainless steel exhaust, wire wheels, electronic ignition, high back seats, emergency hood release, battery quick disconnect. [Photos can be viewed here.](#) Serious offers only. Asking \$25,000 or best offer. Tom Miceli (member) (717) 432-5650 [Listed 9/23]

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The Brokerage (Cont.)

1980 Triumph TR7 - Approximately 68k miles, 5-sp, A/C, stainless steel exhaust, new struts, shocks, suspension bushings, brakes, fuel pump, fuel lines, rotors, windshield, antenna, chrome luggage rack, convertible top. Tires mounted on TR8 wheels. Have owned car for over 30 years. Purchased from original owner. Have all history and many service records. Car is in amazing condition and runs and drives great. Currently has Antique Plates. [Photo can be viewed here.](#) Moving and need to sell. Asking \$6500 -- Call Rick James (Non-member) at 717-554-3015. [Listed 8/23]

TR7 Parts - Good, used, hard to find NOS parts for TR7. Parts include: new in boxes 5pc clutch, front rotors, lug nuts, decal sets, much more. Also, used set of TR8 wheels, headlight motors, manifolds, driveshaft, a blue/black interior out of a hardtop car w/ seats, pair of tan seats goes with car.) Too much small stuff to list. Asking \$1000 obo - Call Rick James (Non-member) at 717-554-3015. [Listed 8/23]

1969 Triumph TR6 - British Racing Green with black interior. Well sorted, great oil pressure, no rust, new clutch and slave cylinder. Pics available upon request. Asking \$9k -- Call Chad (Non-member) at 570-295-7069. [Listed 8/23]

1980 Triumph Spitfire - Blue with black interior. 106,791 miles on the odometer. New top. Asking \$8,000 or best offer. [Photos can be viewed here.](#) Contact former member Helen Weaver for more information: helenweaver00@gmail.com or 717-761-7105. [Listed 7/23]

1975 Triumph Spitfire. Medium blue with black interior, 89,000 miles. Repainted in 1990, it is a fully operational and restored vehicle. Maintenance records; paint acceptable. Seats, top and motor recently restored. [Photos can be viewed here.](#) \$8900 OBO. Car is located in York, PA. Contact Will Smith (non-member) at 720-251-1595 (after 10 AM, please) or at wetlandman23@gmail.com [Listed 7/23]

Want to Buy – Parts for a 1949 Triumph 2000 Roadster. I bought a basket case and need many components. Contact Wayne Murphy (Non-member) if you have 2000 Roadster parts available at wayne@pennsy.com or 484-431-1839. [Listed 7/23]

For Sale - TR3 Convertible top. Brand new, dark blue, soft vinyl top/hood for TR3 - made by Prestige in UK. Complete with uninstalled snaps, \$240. Contact Rich Roenigk (Member) at roenigk@aol.com or 717-487-1795. [Listed 6/23]

50th Anniversary - TRCH (Cont.)



CPTC Election of Officers

The following nominations for offices on the CPTC Board of Directors have been received:

President - Rich Roenigk

Secretary - Mary Ann Berrian

Newsletter Editor - John Miele

Our Club Bylaws require that votes be submitted even if there is only one nominee per office; so please submit your votes by Nov. 30th.

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