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## Are you ready to say goodbye to winter?



If so, then come to the startup meeting: **Sunday March 27 at 3PM at the Yangtze River restaurant in Littleton, MA.** Please note this is a new venue and a later start time than in previous years. Additional details are inside this newsletter.

Speaking of the season ahead, there are already a few events on the 2011 calendar (see the club website) but there is room for

more. Our goal is to have enough activities with both local and longer distance driving events that everyone can find something of interest. We look forward to repeating events from previous years and we welcome suggestions for new events and volunteers to plan and organize them. Let's make 2011 another great year!

Finally, it's time to renew your NET membership. Please fill out the form included in this newsletter and send it to Rick along with your check. Be sure to update any information that has changed since last year, such as adding a new Triumph to the fleet! The form is also available on the website.

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*Membership Info:*

New England Triumphs membership dues are \$20.00 per year running from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>. They cover expenses such as website hosting, newsletter production and mailing costs, and special notices as well as to supplement some event costs.

*New England Triumphs* is an official chapter of:

**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 \$30.00 USA and includes 4 issues of "The Vintage Triumph" magazine and newsletter. Check their website ([www.vtr.org](http://www.vtr.org)) for membership information.

**The Triumph Register of America (TRA)** is the only national U.S. organization devoted to the TR2-4A series. TRA was established to aid TR2-4A owners in the preservation, maintenance and enjoyment of their classic cars. For membership information check their website ([www.triumphregister.com](http://www.triumphregister.com)).

**6-Pack** – Dedicated to the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of the TR6 and TR259 ([www.6-pack.org](http://www.6-pack.org))

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*Business Members:*

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*Submissions:*

All submissions except classifieds should go to the Editor; classifieds should go to the classified department as shown above. The deadline to submit items for this newsletter is the 21st of each month for the next month's issue. We encourage every member to submit anything they feel might be of interest to club members. We will do our best to include all contributions within the limits of space, time, interest, and our abilities. All originals can be returned upon request, but a stamped, return envelope would be appreciated. We do hope that whatever you submit will be legible, but if we can read it, we'll fancy it up for you. If you have supporting photos, please submit them. Prints are best, but we'll do our best with anything. If you want to submit something electronically, we can accept submissions via e-mail to stan.foster@hp.com. Plain text files are best, but we'll try anything once. If you would like to reproduce anything in this newsletter for another publication, please contact the Editor. We ask only that you credit the author and this newsletter as the source.

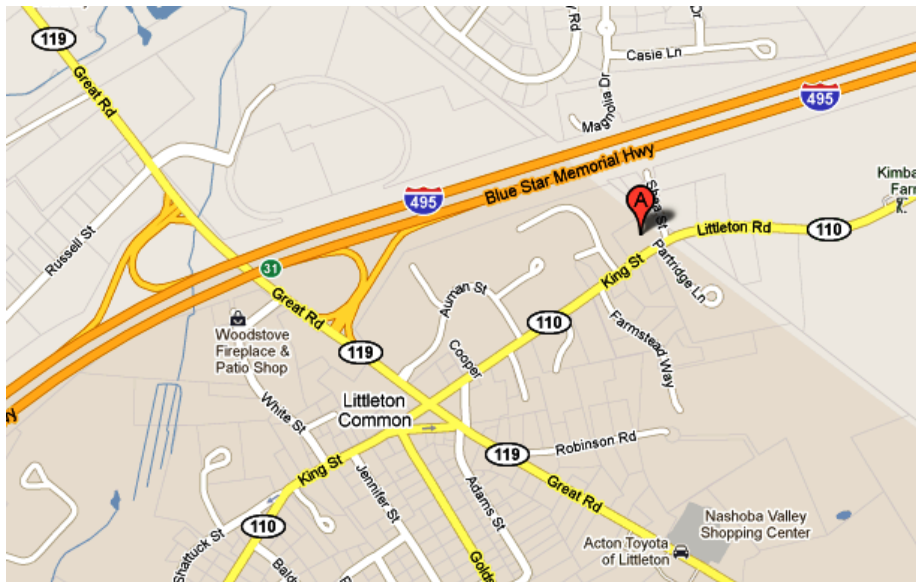
## NET 2011 Season Startup Meeting - March 27, 2011 3PM

When: Sunday March 27 2011. The meeting will start at 3:00 pm  
Where: Yangtze River Restaurant, 584 King Street, Littleton, MA.  
Tel: 978 486 0500

### Agenda:

- Opening remarks
- Elect/appoint/confirm club officers. We desperately need a newsletter editor so please consider volunteering for this role.
- Build the 2011 event calendar.
- Socialize and hang out with friends.

The loss of the function room at the Widow Fletcher's Tavern caused us to seek a new venue for our startup meeting. We also changed the start time to mid-afternoon to accommodate club members who have commitments on Sunday morning. After consulting with the other club officers we decided that a Chinese restaurant might meet our need for a dedicated function room so Ned Sparrow volunteered to make arrangements for us at the Yangtze River restaurant in Littleton, MA which is very close to Route 495 and centrally located for many of our members.



The Yangtze River has a lunch buffet until 2:30pm and a dinner buffet starting at 4:30pm. You can also order from the menu. The meeting will start at 3pm so you can either arrive early and eat before the meeting or stay for an early dinner afterwards.

According to Ned, the meeting room's windows overlook the back parking lot. Anyone who drives their Triumph to the meeting should park there for our viewing pleasure and to inspire the rest of us to finish up those winter projects in time for the first driving event.



## 2010 End Of Year Party

We wrapped up the 2010 season in traditional New England Triumph style with our end of year party on Jan 22, 2011 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Marlborough, MA.



The event drew a good crowd with 30 people attending this year. Several of us took advantage of the discounted room rate and extended the party into the next morning with a group breakfast.



This year's cardboard concours competition featured a TR6 template. We opted for a people's choice voting scheme. The quality and creativity of the submissions made it very difficult to choose just one. The vote totals were very close, with the following results:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place – Bill Richardson
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Ned Sparrow
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Colin Davis



Tom Walling facilitated our Yankee Swap which is always entertaining. This year's most coveted gift was a small wooden steering wheel with a clock in the center. It was snatched away several times before some lucky person took it home. It was traded so many times I lost track of who actually ended up with it!

## New England Triumphs -- Membership Application

www.newenglandtriumphs.org

A club for those interested in the restoration, preservation and ultimate driving pleasure of the vintage Triumph motorcar. Ownership of a Triumph is not required. New England Triumphs is an affiliate of The Vintage Triumph Register, Triumph Register of America and the 6-Pack club.

**Check One:**  **New member:** fill out entire form  **Renewal:** fill in name and any new/changed info

**Contact Information:** Please note: We do not share NETA member information with anyone

Name(s):

Address:

City:  State:  Zip:

Phone 1:  Phone 2:

Email:

Do you want to be added to the NETA E-mail list?  Yes  No  
This list is used for club announcements and is also our "Bulletin Board" where you can ask questions and share information with other club members. Please update your email address if it has changed.

How did you hear about us?

**Car Information:** If your car information has changed, please update it below.

Year	Model	Color	Comm #	Tag No. & State
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### Activities and Interests

- Tours       Dinners       Workshops       Tech Help       Parts Exchange  
 Newsletter/website articles       Concours       Racing       Rallies

Other:

### Other Club Memberships

- Vintage Triumph Register (VTR)       Triumph Register of America (TRA)       6-Pack

Other:

### Mail to:

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 North Reading, MA 01864

Annual dues are \$20. Mail your check payable to **New England Triumphs** along with your completed application to the address on the left. This form can be filled out online and then printed or printed first and completed by hand.

