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New England Triumph Car Club 35 years old and still running strong!

Back in 1977 the NET club was born.

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New England Triumphs membership dues are \$20.00 per calendar year. They cover expenses such as website hosting, production and mailing of newsletters and special notices, and supplementation of some event costs.

New England Triumphs is an official chapter of:

The Vintage Triumph Register (VTR), dedicated to the history, preservation, and enjoyment of Triumph automobiles. VTR welcomes all Triumph owners. Check their website (www.vtr.org) for membership information.

The Triumph Register of America (TRA), 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. Check their website (www.triumphregister.com) for membership information.

6-Pack, dedicated to the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of the TR6 and TR250 (www.6-pack.org)

Business Members:

Submissions:

All submissions except classifieds should go to the Editor; classifieds should go to the classified department as shown above. 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. If you have supporting photos, please submit them. Send electronic submissions via e-mail to stan.foster@hp.com. 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.



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The New England Triumph

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Dear VTR MEMBER.

A warm welcome from The New England Triumph

The response from the VTR members has been good with 10 applications received approx. 15% of the total VTR new england membership with in three weeks and I expect to hear from more as the next few weeks pass.

I am also working on ways to recrute members who are not already VTR members. So if you have any friends whom you think might be intrested please let me know there names & addresses.

Plans are under way for the first organizational meeting and cook out of the NET. It is going to be held on Sunday June 19, 1977

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

JUNE 19, 1977 SUNDAY

1:00 P.M. COOK OUT

This meeting will be our first get-together where we can compare thoughts on Triumphs and get to know each other. We will also elect members who wish to get involved in the organization of the NET. Each member is entitled to 1 vote and this should help start plans for the future.

Hopefully we will want to hold meetings monthly or bi-monthly and start to organize trips to some of the locally planned events.

With restorations a key issue with most triumph members. I'm sure that parts & tips for restorations will be a main topic.

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As 80% of the present membership in in the eastern mass area the location of the first meeting is centrally located as to maximize participation, however, I'm hopeful that our friends from Conn will make the short trip to Boston and spend an enjoyable afternoon with us.

If anyone can't make it but would like to become involved in planning events or has any other ideas let me know and I'll pass them along.

If it rains or there is other foul weather (snow) were in New England/remember may 9th 77. This event will be held the following Sunday June 20, 77 at the same time and place.

The main food will be Hot dogs & Burgers, Beer & soft drinks will also be available.

So Please fill in the Preregistration form and let's get together

See ya the 19th.

Mark
Mark Naidorf



Welcome 2012 NET New Members

John McLaughlin, Somerville MA, 66 TR4A IRS
Anthony Rhodes, South Hadley MA, 67 TR4A
Doug Webler, Northboro MA, 74 TR6
Randell Clark, Dresden ME, 59 TR3
Donnie Mathis & Elizabeth McCoy, Hamden CT, 76 TR6
Chris Smith & Jamie Russell Sousa, Tiverton RI, 78 Spitfire
David Murphy, Arlington MA, 74 TR6
Tim Murray, Hopkington NH, 76 TR4A
Ken Stone, Norwell MA, 66 TR4A
Bob Allen, Atkinson NH
Edward Dougherty, Norwell MA, 74 Spitfire
Jeffrey Mader, Sudbury MA, 81 TR8
David & Judith Roberts, Concord NH, 79 Spitfire 1500
Mason Daring, Marblehead MA, 60 TR3
Bob & Deb Morneau, Portland ME, 61 TR3A
Joe & Carol Pierce, Boothbay Harbor ME, 60 TR3A
William Hall, Moosup CT, 59 TR3A
Christian Jones, Medford MA, 76 TR6
David Lloyd, Framingham MA, 70 Spitfire
David & Laurie Maldari, Leominster MA, 60 TR3A
Brian Rhodes, Tewksbury MA, 74 TR6
Michael Trebbe, Hampden MA, 76 TR1500
Rod Baker, North Reading MA, 75 Spitfire
Brian Dennis, Foster RI, 70 Spitfire
Richard Hutte, Lawrence MA, 68 TR250
Joseph Kellman Sr., Huntington, MA 60 TR3A
David and Michelle Robertson, Framingham, MA TR4A

We look forward to seeing the new members at future NET events!

2012 Driving Events Reports:

Southern New Hampshire Tour – Sunday June 10, 2012

The weather could not have been better for our second attempt at the Southern New Hampshire tour. John Bowe led the tour in his new TR7. He had to make an effort to slow down so that he didn't lose those at the end of the group, something he never had

to worry about when he led previous tours in his Mayflower! We had a great turnout with several Triumphs, and MG, a few classic American cars and two Triumph motorcycles that joined us at the shop but not on the tour. Following lunch at the Loaf and Ladle in Exeter, we stopped for ice cream on our way back to John's shop, a perfect ending to a great drive.



John Bowe and Ned Sparrow lead the way in John's TR7.

Day Of Triumph - July 29, 2012 - By Stan Foster

Well despite the weather which in the end was not bad at all, we had a good turnout and I think everyone had a good time. It rained on the drive down but during the morning we had a short period of drizzle and the rest of the day was dry as was the drive home. I heard several people describe the day as typical British weather. I think the new field layout worked well and we will give that another shot next year. As always, it was great to see everyone and all of the Triumphs gathered on the lawn. We had a Triumph 1800 roadster which is a very unusual car for DOT and it was a treat to see it. These were built between 1946 and 1948 and like its big brother the 2000 roadster we are lucky to see one a year at the bigger events. We also had a spitfire with a TR6 engine that almost fitted but some strategically placed holes in the bonnet had accommodated the carbs and the thermostat housing. Now we know why the GT6 has that big bump on the bonnet. Also loved the little wooden TR6 complete with 6 cylinder engine. Thanks to everyone that attended today, thanks for the raffle table items and a special thanks to our volunteers that helped to plan and run the event, we couldn't do it without you.



Lime Rock Vintage Car Racing – Saturday September 1, 2012

by Stan Foster

Several Club members attended the Lime Rock Park Historic Festival over Labor Day weekend (Aug 31 – Sep 3). The highlight for the club director was meeting his boyhood idol, Sir Stirling Moss and getting his autograph.

Lime Rock 2012 -By Henry Frye

Yesterday was a fantastic day for Triumph fans to be spectating at Lime Rock, two overall wins! Bill Warner had a great race in the ex-Group44/Paul Newman TR6, where the first 3 slots on the grid were him and 2 Spitfires. Bill showed his stuff within heavy traffic to get by Dave Gussak's Spitfire to regain the lead and hold onto it for the win. Tim Studdard in his TR3 of Classic Motorsports fame lead flag to flag with a Healey 100 filling his mirror the entire race waiting to capitalize on any mistake, but Tim drove a flawless race.

Too much fun...

Lobster Tour – Sunday September 9, 2012 – By Tom Walling

“You should inspect your tires frequently for signs of tread wear and obscure little letters and numbers on the sides, which represent significant events in the lives of the tire factory employees. For example: A78-13 means ‘All 78 of us tire factory employees went out and got really drunk last night, so maybe 13 of the tires we make today will be any good.’” From Dave Barry.

It seems that each year, the Lobster Tour is better than ever. The key innovation to the route this year was a rest stop at the McDonalds almost half way into the tour. Ahhhh! Stonewall Kitchen continues to be a great starting point since it provides free samples, great lunches, and an ample parking lot. The eleven cars that participated this year were all able to stick together even though the radios lost their battery strength and the sweep car wasn't able to communicate for much of the tour. While it was cloudy through much of the tour, the sun broke out towards the end, and we had one of our most pleasant eat-outside times ever. The best of all worlds – no burnt noses, and a great picnic. There was a storm to the east in the ocean, so we saw some nice swells and waves. The wet suit surfers were out in strength. Many thanks to those who came from great distances (Cape Cod, Camden, Norway, etc.) and also from closer locales. What a great group! Can't wait to do it again next year.



Maine Lobster tour



NH Fall foliage tour

Fall Tour – Sunday October 21, 2012

John Bowe put together a Fall tour to replace the event originally scheduled for October

20th. We met at his shop in Hampstead, NH and took a leisurely route to Exeter for lunch at the Loaf and Ladle. From there, we carried onto Hampton Falls, NH where we stopped at Applecrest Farm Orchards. To our surprise, there was a festival going on with a great Bluegrass band, horse-drawn carriage rides, cider donuts and of course, apples! Parking was tight, but they directed us to our own parking area right in front of the pumpkin patch where we became something of an attraction. We had a good turnout for this event despite the short notice including this fellow name Tucker who drove down from Maine with Wendy and Tom to join us for the day.

Thanks to all who submitted articles and photos about all the events that took place this year. If you have any articles that you would like to see in the newsletter, please send them to netriumph@yahoo.com.

Our Online Calendar – by Debbie Christopher

Our online calendar (www.newenglandtriumphs.org/calendar.html) is the place to go for up-to-date information about club events. We create a preliminary calendar at our kickoff meeting in March. Event details are usually not finalized until a few days in advance, at which time the calendar entry for a particular event will be updated with the meeting location and time, restaurant information, etc. Over the course of the driving season plans may change due to scheduling conflicts or weather forecasts causing an event to be moved to a different day. If this is due to the weather, this may happen just a day or two before the event so it's a good idea to check the calendar often. The online calendar is updated whenever new information becomes available.

We are using Google Calendar which is a bit quirky but has some useful features that outweigh its shortcomings. It offers multiple views (Week, Month and Agenda) and allows printing up to a year's worth of events at a time. We actually have three calendars merged into one:

- Club Events, shown in British Racing Green
- Other Events of Interest, shown in Topaz for events sponsored by other clubs that might be of interest to our members
- Holidays, shown in Magenta, to help us schedule around them

To see detailed information for an event, click on the name of the event. This brings up a pop-up window. Click on the little "x" to close the details window.

To print out a list of events, click on the Agenda tab and then click on the little printer icon (next to the word "Print") to bring up a print preview window. Select a date range and check the box to "Print Descriptions" if you want more than just the title, date and location for each event.

If you want to print only the New England Triumphs club events, click on the little triangle next to the "Agenda" tab and make sure only "New England Triumphs Event Calendar" is selected. Then follow the directions above to print the list of events.

Subscribing/Unsubscribing to the NET email list

NET membership includes an email list service as part of our membership benefits. Using the club email list the NET membership community can start a general discussion, request advice or share club event announcements.

To send a message to the list, send mail to net@newenglandtriumphs.org. Only active NET members can send mail to or receive mail from the list so be sure to renew your membership! The email list software checks the sender email address to make sure that the email is from a subscriber to the list. By performing this check we can keep out most of the spammers. The sender address verification can be confusing for people who have multiple email accounts or have multiple devices configured with different email sender addresses. You can only send mail to the list using an email account that is subscribed to the list.

Members are added to the list on request, usually as part of the membership application or renewal or by contacting me at stan.foster@newenglandtriumphs.org. Once added, a confirmation email is sent to the new list member. This confirmation email includes some general information about the email list and a password that allows the user to modify or suspend email delivery from the list (explained below).

The volume of email sent to the list is typically low but varies depending on current topics of interest. A question about how to tackle a particular technical issue may generate a flurry of replies over a short period and then the list may remain quiet for a week or more.

List subscribers can customize their email delivery. Options include suspending delivery for a period, canceling the subscription or changing to “digest” mode which consolidates all of the email for the week into one message. You can also choose among several message formats including HTML and plain text. To manage your NET email list subscription go to this website:

http://newenglandtriumphs.org/mailman/listinfo/net_newenglandtriumphs.org

This link is appended to every message that is relayed through the NET email system. You can also use this website to request to join the list if you are not already a subscriber. If you have lost or forgotten the password that was assigned when you were subscribed to the list there is a place at the bottom of the management web page where you can enter the email address that was used to subscribe. The system will then send your password to that email address. If you have forgotten which email address was used or have any other questions about how the NET email list works, just email me at stan.foster@newenglandtriumphs.org.

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 NET member information with anyone

Name(s):

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Phone 1: Phone 2:

Email:

Do you want to be added to the NET 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.

NEW! Do you want to opt out of receiving a paper copy of the newsletter? Yes No
(An email will be sent when an electronic copy is available online, saving us printing and mailing costs).

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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Other Club Memberships

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

Other:

Mail to:

<p>New England Triumphs c/o Rick Trowel 22 Duane Drive North Reading, MA 01864</p>
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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.

End-of-Year Party

When: **Saturday January 26, 2013** -- 6pm to 10pm

Where: The Courtyard by Marriott, 75 Felton Street, Marlborough, MA 01752

Cost: \$30 per person for Prime Rib, \$23 for Chicken or Vegetarian. Cash bar

Payment due by: January 14, 2013

Join your fellow NET members for an evening of good food and great company. The event begins at 6pm with cheese and crackers and a cash bar. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm followed by club announcements and our usual Yankee Swap. If you would like to participate in the swap, bring a gift valued at \$20.

The sign-up form is in this newsletter. It is also available on our club website www.newenglandtriumphs.org and can be filled out and printed from your browser. Mail your form along with your check no later than **January 14th**.

The Courtyard by Marriott has set aside a limited number of rooms at a special rate of \$109 including breakfast for two. The rate without breakfast is \$89. Call the Marriott central reservations number (1-888-236-2427), give the hotel details (Marriott Courtyard, Marlborough, MA), provide your arrival/departure dates and mention you want the group rate for New England Triumphs. The rate is higher than last year because the hotel will be very busy that weekend. Do not delay. **You must book no later than December 27, 2012 to get this rate!**

Dinner Menu

Mesculun Salad

Choice of:

Roast Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus

or

Chicken with Cranberry Bread Stuffing - Breast of Chicken with Cranberry Bread Stuffing with Supreme Sauce

or

Grilled Portobello and Vegetable Stack with Eggplant, Zucchini, Summer Squash, Tomato, and Red Onion over a bed of rice drizzled with a Lemon Thyme Vinaigrette

Oven Roasted Potatoes and Medley of Fresh Vegetables

Deep Dish Apple Pie

Tea, Coffee (Regular and Decaf)

End-of-Year Party Sign-up Form

Complete and return this form by **January 14th** with a check payable to “New England Triumphs”.

Send to: Rick Trowel, 22 Duane Drive, North Reading, MA 01864

Indicate the number of meals in the appropriate boxes, for example:

[1] Prime Rib [] Chicken [1] Vegetarian

[] Prime Rib - \$30 [] Chicken - \$23 [] Vegetarian - \$23

Name(s): _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

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NEW ENGLAND TRIUMPHS



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