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Save the Date

Saturday, January 24, 2015, 6pm to 10 pm

NET End of Year Party



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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)

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.

Day of Triumph – Sunday July 27, 2014

Submitted by Stan Foster

Day of Triumph 2014 was a memorable day for many reasons. We had some interesting cars like Henry Fry's left hand drive Triumph 2000 and the TR3 with the Opel rear-end clip and a 240Z engine all sitting on a TR6 frame. And then there was the weather.



Forecasters were predicting Armageddon with rain, lightning and the possibility of hail. Despite the almost certain wet day and the possibility for much worse, 51 people still turned up with their Triumphs and we had a Day Of Triumph that we won't forget for a while, a Triumph over adversity.

The day started off well with the sun shining and a steady stream of attendees coming through the gate including 13 side-screen cars. Modern technology allowed us to see the weather systems approaching so it was not a surprise when the heavens opened up around 11:30am. Tops went up to keep the cars dry and umbrellas and raincoats appeared to keep the people dry. Some took shelter in the museum, or under the scattered pop-up tents or just went about the usual business of DOT, looking at cars, sharing information, catching up with old friends and making new ones.

After a brief consultation with the museum staff we relocated the raffle table plus the boxes of awards to the upper floor of the museum where there was a large open area with some chairs. We held the raffle while Ned Sparrow and Rick Trowel tallied the ballots, then we quickly moved on to announcing the winners and presenting the awards. We ended DOT nearly an hour early to give people a chance to head home before the next weather front moved in from the west.

While this may go on record as being the wettest Day of Triumph, it was also an enjoyable and memorable day. I want to offer a big Thank You to everyone who came on Sunday.

You exceeded my expectations by an order of magnitude. I also want to thank everyone who volunteered to help run the event. We cannot do this without you! Thank you all for being flexible with the schedule change and for your help in quickly relocating all of the raffle items indoors.



Due to the turnout on Sunday, we still have a few DOT-shirts left over in Medium, Large, XL and 2XL sizes for \$15 each. Shipping is extra if we need to mail them to you, otherwise we'll bring your shirt to the next club event. As shown here on our lovely model, the shirt is light blue and features a red TR7 and Boston's Zakim Bridge. Please contact Stan Foster if you would like to purchase one. There are pictures from the event on [our Facebook page](#) and a slideshow available on [Photobucket](#)

NET's Famous Lobster Tour! Saturday Sep 27, 2014

Submitted by Stan Foster and Debbie Christopher

The 2014 Lobster Tour was a great day out thanks to the spectacular weather and a large turnout of both NET and BCNH members who joined us on the tour. As in previous years we convened at the Stonewall Kitchen in York, ME where 28 cars set off on a now familiar route up the coast where the clear blue sky provided the perfect background for the Atlantic Ocean waves and Maine coast.

The unseasonably warm weather brought out a lot of other people in their classic cars enjoying the day just like us, including a very nice looking powder blue TR3 we encountered along our route. As usual there was lots of waving and greetings from surprised onlookers as we passed through some of our favorite seaside towns like Ogunquit and Kennebunkport. There are lots of fun activities in this part of Maine. Unfortunately, the wait for drive-through bowling was just too long!



At one point those of us towards the back of the pack got separated from those at the front. We waited for a while before making a critical turn to give anyone even further behind us a chance to catch up. Rick and Stephanie found a way to pass the time.



We were soon on our way again, heading for Biddeford Pool. Along the way we encountered the rest of the group just coming back from there. They pulled over and waited for us to drive through that area so that we could re-group and finish the Lobster Tour together.



Thanks to Tom and Wendy for organizing another NET classic Lobster Tour and a special thanks to Tom who had to lead the tour alone this year. Trying to follow route instructions and lead 28 cars is hard

enough when you have two people juggling maps and radios. Doing that alone with a record turnout and busier than usual roads and stopping points made that an even bigger challenge so thanks again to Tom for a great day.

To see even more photos from this tour go to [our Facebook page!](#)

Last Gasp Tour and Rally -- Saturday Nov 1, 2014

We wrapped up the 2014 driving season with our aptly named Last Gasp Tour and Rally. It was cool and rainy but as usual we did not let this dampen our enthusiasm for a day out with our fellow club members. A surprising number of people did drive their triumphs, including Hugh and Caroline in their TR3 without a working heater and only a lap blanket to keep them warm! We met at Kimball Farm in Lancaster MA. Ned and Ellen gathered us together to explain the rules for their novel combination tour and rally and then we were off. Ned kept us at a relatively slow pace to give us time to scan both sides of the road in search of the answers to the questions on our rally sheets.

We stopped for a break, turned in our answer sheets, received the question sheets for part two and were soon off again. Overall it was a very scenic route, perfect for a Triumph and worth driving again in warmer weather. The rally concluded at the Yangtze River restaurant in Littleton where we enjoyed the lunch buffet while Ellen tallied the answer sheets.

Bob and Linda took first place. There was a tie for second place that was settled by cutting a deck of cards. This resulted in John and Tricia coming in second and Frank and Carol taking third place. Congratulations to our winners and thanks to everyone for coming out and joining us on this very enjoyable rally.



WELCOME NEW NET MEMBERS

Forbes Anderson Grafton, MA TR250

Bill Jones Wrentham, MA TR6

Mike Kerouac Upton, MA TR6

Joe Poznick Fitchburg, MA TR6

David & Elisa Scher Groveland, MA TR6

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:

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

NET END OF YEAR PARTY! JANUARY 24, 2015 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Holiday Inn Boxborough, 242 Adams Place, Boxborough, MA near exit 28 on I-495.

Come join your fellow NET members for an evening of good food and great company. The event will begin at 6pm with cheese and crackers, vegetable crudites and dip, and a cash bar. Dinner will be served at 6:45pm after which we will have club announcements and our famous Yankee Swap. If you would like to participate, please bring a wrapped gift valued at \$20.00.

The Holiday Inn Boxborough has set aside a limited number of rooms for us for the night of Saturday January 24, 2015 at a special rate of \$109 including breakfast for two. The rate without breakfast is \$99. Rooms can be booked online or via phone. If you prefer to make your reservation via phone, call 1-800-Holiday and mention group code NTB for a room with breakfast or NTR for a room without breakfast. **You must book no later than 5:00 PM on January 3, 2015 to get this rate.**

New England Triumphs -- End of Year Party Menu

**Minestrone Soup
Caesar Salad with Croutons**

Choice of:

Surf & Turf: Filet Mignon & Two Baked Stuffed Shrimp....\$35.50

or

Chicken Cordon Bleu....\$24.00

or

Roasted Vegetable Stack with Tomato Puree....\$16.50

Note: The beef and chicken dinners include chef's selection of seasonal vegetable and chef's choice of potato or rice.

**Apple Crisp
Tea, Coffee (Regular and Decaf)**

New England Triumphs -- End-of-Year Party Sign-up Form

Complete and mail this form to arrive by **January 12th** 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] Beef [] Chicken [1] Vegetarian

[] Beef @ \$35.50 [] Chicken @ \$24.00 [] Vegetarian @ \$16.50

Name(s): _____

Please include a check for \$ _____

This form is also available on the NET web site www.newenglandtriumps.org where you can complete the form online and print it out before mailing it to Rick.

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