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FIRST RIDE

Southern New Hampshire tour on Sunday April 24, 2016



John Bowe will once again lead us on a scenic tour through the rolling hills of southern NH. We will meet at John's shop starting at 9 am for coffee, breakfast treats and catching up prior to our 11 am departure. There will be a lunch stop during the ride. Check the club calendar on the NET website for specific details.

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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.

Membership Info:

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 the Editor. 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.

HELP WANTED

Articles and Photos needed for the next Newsletter.

Looking for: Road reports from club events/rides, Tech articles, favorite stories about your LBC or anything that you think would be of interest to fellow club members. Submit to netriumph@yahoo.com

NET Annual Start Up Meeting -- March 13 2016

by Stan Foster



Most years, we're wondering whether the huge pile of snow in front of the trailer housing our TR6 will melt in time for the first driving event in late April. This year, the lack of snow and the warm weather on the day of our start up meeting allowed me to get the TR6 out of the trailer and drive it to the meeting. Two others did the same, creating perhaps the largest number of Triumphs ever assembled at one of our start up meetings! Here they are in the parking lot of the Yangtze River restaurant in Littleton MA.



Club Director John Gibbs started the meeting by announcing that all of the current club officers have agreed to continue in their roles for 2016. We still encourage anyone to volunteer for any of the club responsibilities however. For example, Tricia Gibbs could use some help with the club newsletter. This could be someone taking over as newsletter editor or just assisting Tricia. The newsletter editor job is made easier when people provide

content so please consider contributing an article that we could publish about you and your Triumph or perhaps an article about a British car event that you attended. John also suggested that we have an official club photographer, someone who would take photos at our events to be used on our Facebook page, in newsletter articles and on the website. Please contact John if you would like to volunteer.

The password for the members-only section of the club web site (www.newenglandtriumphs.org and click on "Members Only") will be changed soon for the first time in several years. We will communicate the new password to all members in good standing prior to making the change so don't forget to renew your membership!

The next item on the agenda was our annual End of Year party. The venue, price, type of meal and the time of year we hold the event were discussed. For our party this past January, we changed from a plated dinner to a buffet and that seemed to be very popular however that option is more expensive and requires that we get at least 50 people to sign

up for the event. So how do we entice more club members to attend the party? Is price a concern? Should we move the event from the middle of winter to a date when the weather is less of a concern? We decided to conduct an anonymous online survey to determine NET members' preferences for this event. We will let you know how to access the survey when it becomes available.

Bruce Penttinen brought some very interesting items for the group to view including some of the original dealership sales materials and this banner from the launch of the TR7. Bruce reminded us that 2016 is the 40th anniversary of the Triumph TR7. Based on the after dinner conversations, Bruce and Ned Sparrow may be cooking up something special for a Day of Triumph T-Shirt design.

The remainder of the meeting was spent going through the NET event calendar for 2016. It looks like we will have a fun year ahead of us. The club calendar has been populated with the events discussed during the meeting. It is the best way to keep up to date with the details for upcoming events as well as any last minute changes:

<http://newenglandtriumphs.org/calendar.html> In

addition to our own events, we list other events that we think may be of interest to our members so take a look!

One of those "other events" that several of our members have attended in previous years is The Roadster Factory's Summer Party. This year's party will be held on August 4th, 5th and 6th. Tom Walling would like to know if anyone is planning to attend this year and whether they would like to join a group convoy to Armagh, PA with an overnight stop, arriving at TRF on the afternoon of the 4th. Contact Tom if you are interested.

I want to thank everyone who attended this meeting and helped get us off to a good start. We hope to see you for our first driving event, the Southern New Hampshire Tour on Sunday April 24th. You can find all the details on our club calendar. Go to the page for April and click on "Southern NH Tour" to view all the details for this event.



2016 NET Calendar of Events

Sunday April 24th - Southern NH Tour. Meet at 17 Gigante Drive, Hampstead, NH. John will be at the shop around 8:30 am to allow time for coffee and whatever breakfast goodies anyone brings along to share. The tour will depart around 11am. The lunch venue is TBD but likely the Green Bean in Exeter.

Sunday June 12TH - Western MA Tour. We will meet at the [Kringle Candle "Cars and Coffee" event](#). There will be an area set aside for our group. Plan to arrive between 8am and 10:30am. Full details will be published when the planning for this event is finalized Check online calendar for updates. Tour organized by Tony and Diane Rhodes. Kringle Candle Store, 220 South Street, Bernardston, MA 01337

Sunday July 31st - Day of Triumph at The Larz Anderson Auto Museum 10am to 2pm. Our club's annual event. Volunteers are needed to help on the day of the show. Donations for the raffle table are needed as well, Thanks.

Saturday Aug 20th - Drive Up Movie Night. 17 Gigante Drive, Hampstead NH Please join us for our third NET "drive-up" movie night! Feature movie is still being decided but it will likely have a Triumph in it somewhere, be suitable for family viewing and with some pre-feature movie footage of interest. The club will provide pizza, salad bottled water and popcorn. Our projection and audio system is limited so we can't actually sit in our cars during the movie so bring a lawn chair and your soda of choice. Please RSVP to: netriumphnews@yahoo.com so that we order enough food! Our "theater" is at John Bowe's shop: Underground Cycle, 17 Gigante Drive, Hampstead, NH Tel: (603) 329-6161. The event will be indoors to keep the bugs at bay. Arrive between 6:30 and 7:00pm. Our pre-show (some Triumph films) begins shortly after 7pm. Our feature film starts between 8:00 and 8:30pm. Again, please RSVP and remember to bring a chair, soda of choice and bug repellent. Triumph Optional (event ends around 10pm)

Saturday September 24th - Lobster Tour Meet at Stonewall Kitchen, 2 Stonewall Lane, York, ME 03909. Our world famous Lobster Tour! We will meet at the Stonewall Kitchen store in York, ME (exit 7 on I-95) at 11:30-ish, departure at 12:00 sharp for a scenic drive followed by dinner at a local Lobster restaurant. Route and dinner location TDB. Check online calendar for updates Pay individually at the restaurant for food and beverages. There is no need to pre-register for the event. Simply show up at the Stonewall Kitchen in time to leave by noon. Arrive early if you want to explore the Stonewall Kitchen store or have a bite to eat in their café. Event Organizers: Tom Walling and Wendy Rose.

Saturday Oct 15th - Fall Rally, aka Ned's Magical Mystery Tour
Stay tuned for details. Tour organized by Ned and Ellen Sparrow.

NET Website:

Membership Status: Can't remember if you paid your dues? Need to see if you are paid up thru 2017? Now you can check on our new "Membership Status" page in the Members Only area. If you have not paid your 2016 dues yet, please send them in. The membership form is included in this newsletter.

Regalia: Click the Regalia Button and follow the instructions to see what Regalia is available.

Classifieds: Check here if you are looking to buy or sell anything Triumph.

Calendar: Our [online calendar](#) 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 often not finalized until a few days in advance of an event, at which time the calendar entry for that 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 TR6 Topaz (don't call it orange!), are events sponsored by other clubs that might be of interest to our members
- Holidays, shown in Magenta, to help us schedule around them

Click on the name of the event to bring up a pop-up window containing "When", "Where" and "Description" details for the event. Click on the "map" link in the "Where" information to bring up the event location in Google maps. For non-club events there will usually be a link in the "Description" information to take you to a website with more information. Click on the little "x" (or anywhere else on the calendar) 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.

Go to our **Facebook** page for more Triumph and British Car info and discussions.

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.

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