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Another Lobster Tour Is History

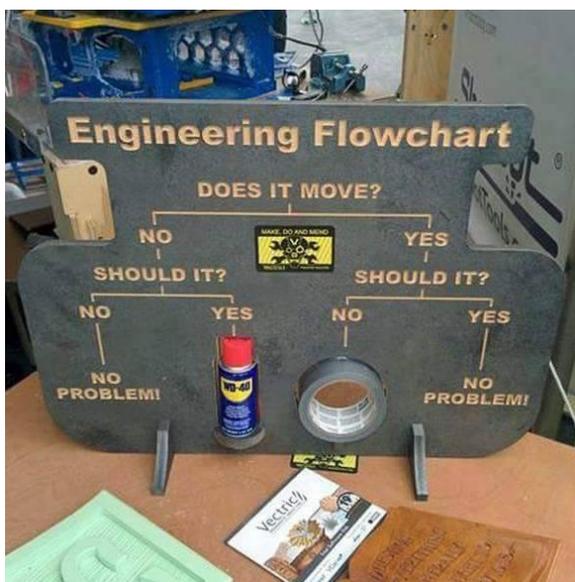


Once again, club members enjoyed a late Summer day touring up the coast of Maine in search of ocean views and tasty seafood. We met at Stonewall Kitchen's retail store and main production facility in York, Maine and began our trip. Instead of going through York Village and its ever-present traffic jams, we went "the back way" to Mt. Agamenticus to view both the White Mountains in New Hampshire and the Atlantic coast from the Isles of Shoals to Kennebunk. From there we hugged the coast as much as possible while enjoying the sight of higher than normal surf until we got to Two Lights lobster house. Look for more changes next year as we "do it again only differently"!

Lookin' for a good time?



See page 4 for details of how, where and when you can find it.



Lou's "Wine and Open Road Tour"

By Rick Trowel

Sunny skies, warm air, open roads, little British cars and great conversation create a great recipe for "Lou's wine and open road" tour.

Lou Duphily, his wife Nancy and son Brian hosted a fabulous tour that brought the NET cruisers through a fun filled day in southern New Hampshire.

We start off checking in on Lou's TR4 at RMR Restoration, in Hollis, NH, and touring their facility, where Lou has a private wing for his car(s). The shop had a great assortment of cars in various phases of restoration, which was explained in detail by one of the RMR employees.



From RMR, it was a short drive to Fulchino Vineyards where the owner Al provided a warm welcome to the NET cruisers as we pulled into the parking lot. After a few photo ops, the NETers were entertained with wine tasting of various reds and white on Fulchino's beautiful courtyard overlooking their vineyard in the warm sun.

Once the group completed their sips of wine, slices of cheese and salami with crackers we hit the windy roads to Ole Amherst Village Green to check out the market and vintage Jenny gas station. After stretching our legs and chatting with a few of the locals we headed out one more time on some beautiful back roads that landed us at the Smokehaus Restaurant where we enjoyed a delicious barbecue lunch and conversation.

After visiting the local custom bird house builder and dollhouse shop, the group hit the road again taking us through gorgeous roads of New Boston and Mt Vernon to our final break in Goffstown.

From there the NETers headed back home with smiles on their faces knowing that they gave their British cars a great workout.

A BIG Thank you to Lou and his family for put together a packed day for the NETers, we can't wait for next year version of the tour!

NET End of Year Party, November 10, 2018

Our End of Year party will be held on Saturday November 10, 2018 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Marlborough, MA. **We are once again able to offer the reception and buffet dinner for just \$25 per person.**

The evening will begin at 6pm with a reception featuring cheese, crackers, veggies and a cash bar, followed by a dinner buffet at 6:45pm with soup, salad, three entrees, vegetables and dessert (see menu below). After dinner we will have club announcements and our Yankee Swap. If you would like to participate in the swap, bring a wrapped gift valued at approximately \$20.

For those who want to stay over after the party, the Marriott is offering a room with breakfast for two. The room options are \$98 + tax (\$109.50 total) for a king room or \$123 + tax (\$137.40 total) for a room with two queen beds. **These rates are good until Oct 14, 2018** or until all of the allotted rooms have been taken. There is a booking link on the NET Web site, members only section.

Mark your calendar, send in your sign-up form and payment, book your room (if you're choosing to stay overnight) and get your Yankee swap gift ready!

- Saturday November 10, 2018. Reception at 6pm, dinner buffet at 6:45 pm
- Courtyard by Marriott, 75 Felton St, Marlborough, MA 01752
- Price: \$25.00 per person.
- Payment due: October 30, 2018.
- Please note we cannot issue refunds if you cancel or do not attend.

NET End of Year Party Buffet Menu
Minestrone Soup, Garden salad, Rolls and butter
Chicken Piccata with Lemon Caper Sauce
Fettucine Broccoli Alfredo
Vegetarian Wellington (Grilled Vegetables in a Puff Pastry)
Chef Selection of Vegetables and Starch
Chef Selection of Desserts
Coffee and Tea, Cash Bar

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

Complete and mail this form to arrive by **Oct 30, 2018** with a check for \$25 per person payable to "New England Triumphs". Please note that NET cannot issue refunds if you cancel or do not attend.

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

Indicate the number of meals: _____

Name(s): _____

Please include a check for \$25 per person.

This form is also available on our website: www.newenglandtriumphs.org You can complete the form online, print it out, and then mail it with the check to Rick.

A Bad Case of Shipwright's Disease

By Tom Walling

It all began innocently enough with me installing my shiny, newly rebuilt carbs that went to Joe Curto last year after Stowe and firing up good old PDQ TR6 for an ice cream run to the next town over. On the way home, I noticed that the ammeter was showing a slight negative charge, and the next day I tested the battery and found it below the requisite 12 volts. OK, time for a rebuilt alternator says I. Easy enough, just some money changing hands and I'm set for the Summer.

Hah! After installing the new alternator, I notice that the pulley is within a gnat's wing of chewing through the radiator hose. "Fair enough" I said, maybe if I put in a longer fan belt, the alternator will tip far enough away from the hose.

How many of you have tried to change a fan belt on a TR6? Everything from the front of the engine forward is in the way, and it doesn't help that one of the engine mounts has collapsed. Finally, after removing the steering rack, front end cross brace, the radiator, grill and even the hood (!), I can easily get the old belt out and a new (longer) one in. Time to check the critical belt-to-pulley clearance. Drat! Still only a whiff of space between them.

What to do? Finally, Randy Clark says, "Maybe the hose is too long?" Out comes the box cutter and like a Mohel, I remove about 1 ½ inches of hose, and a reasonable gap appears in front of the alternator pulley! Now it's just a matter of putting everything back together before the garage becomes too cold to support human life.

Moral? Sometimes it's the simple things that lead to happiness, or, always ask a friend to double check your diagnosis before you jump into the "big job."

Tom Walling



Last known sighting of PDQTR6 on the road.

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

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6-Pack, dedicated to the preservation 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 listed above. We encourage our members 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.

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