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Fall has landed:

Sure signs of fall are sightings of leaves falling and seeing fun cars on the road making perhaps a final run before winter storage. But I can hear the lucky ones who live in the warmer areas of New England saying "hey not so quick on the storage idea". Fair enough.

Reminder; Nov 11 is the end of year dinner/meeting/yankee swap. Still some time left to attend. Details needed, contact anyone listed on the NET web site

It has been a while since a newsletter came out, so there is a lot to catch up on. Despite one of the rainiest summers on record, especially on weekends, most planned events happened. Pictures were included when available.

July 1:

Stone Cow Brewery- Barre MA a revisit of last year's very successful turnout was again successful in 2023. Rumour has it the beer was just as good this year and the stone cow at the entrance looks none the worse being a year older. I hope we can say the same for NET members and their rides. Thanks to Henry Frye for organizing.

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July 15:

South Shore MA- Tour: Weather is always a factor that tour organizers and those planning to attend cannot control. The weather was very iffy. Despite this four cars took the tour at the elbow of Cape Cod. Thanks Ken Stone for making the event happen.



July 28, 29 & 30th

Ramble -Bethel ME.-the much anticipated was a big success. By now we know this event was to replace the defunct. Day of the Triumph at Larz Anderson Museum in Brookline MA. Ramble hit it out of the park as a replacement for DOT. A plan is in the works for another Ramble next year in a new region of New England on the shoulders of another team of NET. I cannot say enough about the work that went into planning the inaugural Ramble. I can especially appreciate the effort knowing what I put into a single tour. Tim Hutchisen's efforts included several well laid out tours over multiple days, lodging and meals complicated by Bethel Inn ownership changes was an unexpected curveball. Tim's steady hand kept things moving forward. Many thanks Tim and helpful others such as Bruce Pierce and Henry Frye. If I missed someone to mention, my apologies. The multi tours were fantastic by all accounts in this very beautiful region of New England. I even heard there was one couple who could not bring their TR, so instead chose to take a five mile floating tour of the Androscoggin River in two rented tubes. For a set of Ramble photos in bulk see the link below. Thanks to Rick Trowel for providing this link;

ED& Nicole Keough with Tom MacDowel

forty members at dinner-Bethel Inn





Ramble attendees

| Name | State | Car |
|-------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------|
| Rich & Kandyce Aust | СТ | TR4A |
| Rick & Mary Barnard NET Sec/Treas | MA | Jag F-type |
| Graybert & Karen Beacham | ME | TR6 & Spitfire 1500 |
| Bob & Gail Blizard | MA | TR6 |
| John Bowe | NH | TR7 |
| Phil & Linda Brzozoski | MA | TR6 |
| Colin Davis | MA | GT6+ |
| Mark & Diane Desenberg | ME | TR6 |
| Lou & Nancy Duphily NET Newsletter Editor | MA | TR4A |

| Scott Finlayson & Karen Frazier | ME | TR6 |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|------------|
| Henry & Helen Frye NET President | СТ | Stag |
| John & Tricia Gibbs Former NET President, BoD | NH | TR7 EFI |
| James & Michelle Guillaume | ME | TR6 |
| Tim Hutchisen & Karen Hakala Ramble Coord | ME | TR7 FHC |
| Ed & Nicole Keough | ME | TR6 |
| Bob Lang & Linda Cragin NET BoD | MA | TR6 |
| Tom MacDowell | ME | TR3A |
| Tomislav & Kate Marincic | VT | TR6 or TR8 |
| Joe & Kerri Merone | VT | TR6 |
| Bruce & Suzanne Pierce Ramble Host | ME | TR3A |
| Peter & Maggie Quigley NET V.P. | MA | TR4 |
| Dave & Chris Sheils | MA | TR6 |
| Ned & Ellen Sparrow NET BoD | MA | MGB |
| Ken & Linda Ellen Stone | MA | TR8 |
| Rick & Stephane Trowel | MA | TR6 |
| Warren & Veronica Wesbo | ME | TR6 |

August 19:

SW NH- Covered bridges tour- by Lou & Nancy Duphily who somehow were able to avoid a rainy Saturday this summer of '23. About 14 NET members met at Cathedral of the Pines and rode around the base of Mt Monadnock to a large blueberry farm which was in peak season. Fistfulls of blueberries from high bush plants filled buckets in no time. Bruce Pentinenn chose to skip the bucket method and directly fill his mouth. Bruce was unusually quiet during this spell.

The link below is thanks to Stan Foster. Photos and videos say it all very well. Don't miss the Ashuelot River Covered bridge video piece with white lattice work over the long span. Lunch at the very nice Arlington Inn in Winchester NH ended the day for about $\frac{2}{3}$ of the group.



https://stanfoster.smugmug.com/NET/NET-Covered-Bridge-Tour-Aug-19-2023

August 26

Movie Night- John Bowe revived "movie Night" after a 4 year hiatus. The movie was Return of the Pink Panther. The "theater" was at John's new barn in Hampden NH. After a tour of the new digs, pizza was served etc. Then John Gibbs as equipment manager got the movie equipment working well enough to begin the classic film. Movie night and the Pink Panther returned.



September 9

Cape Ann Tour canceled due ro weather

September 15-17

British Invasion- Stowe VT

This annual event brings many NET members together. The awards alone speak to that. For many others, myself included, it is an opportunity for a vacation and chance to mingle with British car enthusiasts. Seeing the vintage cars passing on main street is like stepping back in time. Although the attendance was slightly down from prior years, still seeing about 400 classic British in one area on a good weather weekend is a treat. The venue may change next year but enthusiasm for this event remains. NET award winners are;

Concours MG & Triumph-Third Place

1973 Triumph, TR6 (Car #330)

Joe Patneaude, Wellesley, MA

Best Black Motorcar

Tim Hutchisen & Karen Hakala, Norway, ME

1960 Triumph TR3A (Car #138)

CLASS #1 BRITISH MOTORCYCLES

First Place

1938 Scott Flying Squirrel (Entry #254)

John Bowe, Atkinson, NH, USA

CLASS #4 JAGUAR SEDANS (MK I/II, 420, S-Type, XJ6, XJ12, XJ6C, XJ12C)

First Place

1962 Jaguar MK II (Car #103)

Bob & Deb Morneau, Portland, ME, USA

CLASS #6 JAGUAR (E-TYPE SERIES I /'61-'67)

First Place

1964 Jaguar E-Type (Car #149)

Tony Amore & Mary Clifford, Seabrook, NH, USA

CLASS #9 JAGUAR F-TYPE

First Place

2016 Jaguar F-Type (Car #150)

Tony Amore & Mary Clifford, Seabrook, NH, USA

Second Place

2014 Jaguar F-Type (Car #197)

Stephen Genatossio, Holden, MA, USA

CLASS #18 TRIUMPH TR-2, TR-3, TR-3A, TR-3B

Second Place

1956 Triumph TR3 (Car #26)

Mark & Maureen Groudas, Bolton, MA, USA

CLASS #19 TRIUMPH TR-4 & TR-250

Second Place

1966 Triumph TR4A (Car #70)

Jim Olson & Ellen Wilson, Windham, CT, USA

CLASS #20 TRIUMPH TR-6 Through 1973

First Place

1971 Triumph TR6 (Car #133)

David & Katharine Rogers, Stow, MA, USA

Third Place

1973 Triumph TR6 (Car #179)

Joe & Arlene Kruzel, Hampden, MA, USA

CLASS #21 TRIUMPH TR-6 From 1974

First Place

1976 Triumph TR6 (Car #72)

John and Laura Cohen, Rutland, VT, USA

Third Place

1975 Triumph TR-6 (Car #96)

Rick & Teena Patton, Brunswick, ME, USA

CLASS #22 TRIUMPH TR-7 & TR-8

First Place

1980 Triumph TR8 (Car #28)

Bob & Diana Stanley, Center Barnstead, NH, USA

CLASS #24 TRIUMPH, Other (Stag, Herald, Sport Six, etc.)

Second Place

1970 Triumph Spitfire, MK III (Car #39)

Pete & Erin Groudas, Plaistow, NH, USA

Third Place

1972 Triumph Stag (Car #101)

Helen & Henry Frye, North Granby, CT, USA

CLASS #27 LOTUS SEVEN

First Place

1961 Lotus Seven (Car #106)

David & Laurie Maldari, Leominster, MA, USA

Second Place

1966 Lotus Seven (Car #110)

Tim & Sharon Russell, Westford, MA, USA

September 27-30

VTR- Dillard GA attended by five NET members. Two members, Henry Frye and Tim Hutchinsen, logged over 2000 cumulative miles each way in their TR4 and TR7. Start points were northern CT and Maine. Accomplished all on back roads, including a portion of the Blue Ridge Parkway as the picture below shows the resting horses. What an epic journey that made many NET members envious. Good work guys. Maybe some seeds were planted for NET to host a VTR meeting in a few years from now??







Bob Lang took his SUV which promoted NET along the way.



September 21

Scarecrow Tour- southern NH sponsored by John & Tricia Gibbs. This traditional tour was attended by five tour cars. Plenty of goblins to be seen but no Lucas gremlins active to interfere with the drive. Thank you John and Tricia.

Feel Good Story of 2023

Nothing is better than knowing someone in our club unselfishly did a good deed to keep another Triumph alive for another generation. The award this year goes to NET member John Diekmann of Belmont MA.

John purchased his TR6 in 1976 for \$900 from Dodakin's Auto Sales in Somerville MA. John and his sister drove it till 1985 when a burst brake line and other minor repairs idled the TR6 to his garage. Life gets in the way sometimes and the years pass. John then joined NET in 2022 with the express purpose of finding a new owner for his TR6. **FREE!** An NET email from John this past September offered the TR6. The new owner is young Max Stephens of nearby Medford. An NET member for 3 years, Max is in the process of restoring a '74 TR6 in his shop. A perfect fit according to John, who is very appreciative to NET's network making the connection to Max. We hope to hear from Max on his progress on his TR6's.

Thank you John Diekmann for your great story and keeping the TR spirit alive!



NET Dues

2023 dues (\$20) are now payable by check and soon by electronic via NET website. Do not wait for electronic payments if you are overdue however. At this time 2024 dues fee has not been announced

Members can check their dues on the NET website under Members Only tab, or email Rick Barnard membership@newenglandtriumphs.org . Rick will reply.

Checks should be payable to New England Triumphs and mailed to: New England Triumphs, P.O. Box 39, Grafton, MA 01519.

From the new bylaws: Section 3. Annual membership dues are payable on January 1st each year. Dues shall be paid within 3 (three) months after January 1st. If not paid, the member shall be notified by email, telephone call or US postal mail that his or her membership privileges will be canceled if not paid within 1 (one) month. Unpaid members shall be removed from the active membership list after that time

Welcome to our new NET members

David and Wendy Monroe-Kennebunk, ME '69 GT6+ (white)

Mark & Andrea Wheatley-Nashua, NH,TR4 Vintage Racer red, TR4 Surrey BRG, TR6 blue

Richard Patton -Brunswick, ME '75 TR6 (Delft Blue), '74 TVR 2500M (yellow)

Steve and Susan Maloney-Cumberland, ME '73 TR6 (French Blue)

Sue Macduff -Peterborough, NH 2010 Mini Cooper S conv. (BRG)

Tom Ciofi-Westport, MA '73 TR6 (white)

Adam Silverman-Wakefield, RI'76 TR6 (Delft Blue)Jeff Hoover-Natick, MA'59 TR3 (red), '66 TR4A (red)

Dave Bennett-Sharon, MA '74 TR6 (maroon)

The New England Triumph

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New England Triumphs P.O. Box 39 Grafton, MA. 01519

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See website for membership form, renewals or new membership

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. www.vtr.org

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. www.triumphregister.com

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

Another website group that is a great source of Triumph information is called Triumph Experience. www.triumphexp.com

Submissions:*

All submissions except classifieds should go to the Editor duphilyl@gmail.com classifieds should go to the 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 email to the Editor. If you would like to reproduce anything in this newsletter for another publication, please contact the Editor duphilyl@gmail.com. We ask only that you credit the author and this newsletter as the source.

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