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Business and/or social meetings are held monthly close to the middle of the month. Please refer to newsletter for the time and location.

## The Crack Of Don

Hi guys and gals, finally looks like spring is here, not a moment to soon. I just got back from the Brewery lunch that was a good time with the bull flying. You just don't get to talk to everybody that you would like to. I saw Fred (my bodyman) there and didn't get to say a word to him, but I see him all the time.

I got my TR3 painted or I should say my bodyman got the 3 done now it looks great. I started putting it back together, boy I sure am glad for books and pictures. I wish I took more of them.

Next month there are a lot of things coming up to do. Bud has an oil tech at the end of this month March 28, next is the lunch at The Starting Line Café on April 11, Then on to a Membership meeting on April 18. Doug has an article in this month on the Tune-up clinic at my place so be sure to check it out. Fred Segal and Dick Gaier have a trip to the Ohio show that they say will be a trip to remember this year so check this out also. So till next time, **Don**  
THINK SUN!

## General Meeting

April 18, 2008 – 10:00AM

King's Restaurant

by Gary Fredo

The April general meeting will be held at King's restaurant just off the Wexford exit on I79N at 10AM Saturday April 18. We weren't able to get our usual room so this year we will be in the Green Room which is to the left and in the back. Ask for WPTA if you're not sure where to go. This event will count towards the driver's award so if you want to stay in the running then bring your Triumph out to King's. Chances are pretty good that a group may go across the highway after the meeting to enjoy a few libations at Carmody's.

## Starting Line Racing Cafe

by Richard Dick

It's that time of year for lunch at the Starting Line Racing Cafe'. The date is Saturday April 11th and the meeting time is 1 PM. The beer is cold and the food is great!! It's the perfect time for socializing and getting out to start the driving season after this past winter if you have not already done so. The Cafe' is located at 1420 Washington Road (Route 19 and north of Washington PA and also very close to the Meadowlands Casino). Get off I-79 at exit 60, go over to Route 19 via Racetrack Road, turn left at the light and then a right into the parking lot. Better yet, map out some British car roads to travel on since the weather should be nice by then. Any questions please contact Richard Dick at 724.379.5172 or email britcarnuts@comcast.net.

## Spring Tuning

by Doug

Mark your calendars and reschedule your life on May 9 from 8AM - 5PM. This year's Tune Up Clinic is located at Dectile, Don Harkus' business at 195 Kriess Road, approximately 5 miles north of Evans City, just off Route 68.

The Roadster Factory will be in attendance with an assortment of tune up parts. If you place an order and designate it for the WPTA Tune Up Clinic, you will receive free shipping to Dectile along with an event discount.

We will not have the free 20W50 oil as in the past. But we will have available, for sale at our cost, two Brad Penn motor oils; Premium Penn Grade 20W50 for the normal type drivers among us and Penn Grade One 20W50 racing oil for the high revs. Both oils are of excellent quality and come highly recommended for our engines. If you want a case (six for your oil change and six for adds during the year) call Doug.

Any type of job is welcome. If you plan a big job, please line up helpers to insure the car can be driven home by 5:00. If you plan anything major or technical, please contact Doug Foyle at 724-452-5218.

We will be ordering out for lunch. Please bring your own beverage.

Hope to see you there!

## Come to Summer Party 2009!

by Charles A. Runyan

The Staff of The Roadster Factory and I cordially invite you to attend a weekend party, called "Summer Party 2009" at our company farm located Near Armagh in Indiana County, Pennsylvania on August 7th and 8th, 2009.

Various entertainments will be provided for enthusiasts of classic British sporting vehicles, and you are requested to bring a Triumph, MG, or similar vehicle of British manufacture in order that you may participate.

Events to be included are drag racing, autocross, rallies, and tours. Our programme will also include social events, parties, and a Concours d'Elegance. The theme of Summer Party 2009 is "African Safari," and guests are invited to participate in this theme by wearing safari costumes, by setting up safari camp sites, and by any other manner which they may conceive. Prizes will be awarded in several categories.

R.S.V.P. On-line, by phone, or by fax, using the downloadable PDF form found on-line. Price per adult is \$79.95 prior to April 30th, 2009, \$99.95 after April 30th, and \$119.95 after June 30th, 2009. [www.the-roadster-factory.com](http://www.the-roadster-factory.com)



# WPTA Tech Alert

by Ed Major

As WPTA moves forward into the twenty-first century, it will be important for all members to think high tech. Most car clubs these days don't mail out "printed" newsletters, they email them or place them on a web page as we do. It is just a sound financial move that we will need to do some day.

We currently have an email "roster" that I send Dzus Dnuz and club reminders out on, but all too often members change their email address and don't inform the club. Also, I just don't have everyone's address, we actually only have about 80 email addresses out of almost 180 members. If you are not receiving monthly notices for when the Dzus Dnuz has published or reminders for events, please send your email address to Richard Dick at [britcarnuts@comcast.net](mailto:britcarnuts@comcast.net) and he will make sure that you are on the master membership list and my WPTA reminder list.

Last but not least, occasionally someone will have their internet security set as not to receive "group" mailings. This is also a reason you may not receive club information.

## Classified

**WANTED:** I am interested in purchasing a TR3B, in good restored (#2+) shape. In light of this lengthy "financial depression," I have cash for a reasonable priced auto. 412 262 5055 Bill Repack.



**FOR SALE:** 1976 Triumph Spitfire. Red with black top. Always garaged and professionally maintained. Receipts available. Body in good condition. Not driven in salt. Milage is 113,000, but engine was rebuilt at about 105,000 and runs well. New battery and only 200 miles since brake job. New soft top in box. Has tonneau cover. I'd like to see this car go to a Triumph family. \$4,000. Anita Fletcher - [afletcher444@comcast.net](mailto:afletcher444@comcast.net) or 412-224-2018 - Mt. Washington in Pittsburgh



**FOR SALE:** 1978 burgandy Triumph Spitfire, original owner, 23,000 miles, beautiful totally restored car. Must sell---ill health. B/O over \$6,000. Tom Masters 412-793-7979.

**FOR SALE:** TR4A, white/black w/white piping, third owner, 13,000 miles since restoration in 2000; concours condition – 2 gold certificates in VTR concours (2002, 2007) original bill of sale and owners manual; complete photo documentation of body-off restoration w/all parts and restoration invoices; \$26,000. Detailed information and photos available to serious buyer. C.C. Ling, Punta Gorda, FL 941-639-6394, [ccling28@gmail.com](mailto:ccling28@gmail.com).

# British Car Show, Solon Ohio

by "Fast Freddie" Segal

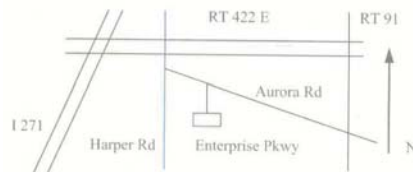
Sunday May 3rd, as in previous years, we will meet at McDonald's located off Route 30 West going toward the Imperial exit, actual address is 300 Market Drive, Oakdale, PA.

Please be there at 8am; we will depart promptly at 8:15 in caravan. We have some beautiful sports car back roads for the trip which will take about 2 hours and 15 minutes. The ending address is 6200 Enterprise Parkway, Solon, OH 44139 for the Google and Mapquest people.

This is a wonderful show with all types and makes of British cars and if you wish, your car will be judged to win one of 3 awards per class and/or best of show. Major vendors are present along with people selling all kinds of stuff, so bring

thick wallets. All are invited for a full fun day.

Questions (?) call Dick Gaier 412-371-7331 or Fred 412-421-8602.



## Run to Team Triumph

by Gary Fredo

Several members made the run to Team Triumph to rummage through Scott's extensive inventory of used parts. Many members left with new found treasures. A trip to Team Triumph is always interesting since you never know what newly acquired British car Scott may have sitting in his shop awaiting a new home or a tear down for parts. He had an early Spitfire 4 body shell including trunk, doors, bonnet, etc. I was very tempted. He also had a TR3 that looked like it had seen better days and was pretty much stripped of any usable parts. More recent acquisitions appeared to be a 1500 Spitfire, a TR7 and a TR6. All were in decent shape and the TR7 had very low miles. I noticed Ray Stockdale drooling over the TR7 but I don't know if a deal was struck. It was a great way to brighten up a dreary late winter afternoon and I'm sure a good time was had by all that attended.

## An Invitation From The MG Club

# Amish Country Tour

by Richard Dick

Mark your calendars for the Ohio Amish Tour on April 25th and 26th. This is an overnight tour, but feel free to join us either day. Meet at the McDonalds Robinson Township Mall at 9 a.m. on April 25th. From here we will travel to Walnut Creek Cheese (Amish supermarket), have lunch at an Amish farmhouse (\$20 per person, cash only, includes the tip), visit Lehman's in Kidron, Ohio and then return to Millersburg/Berlin, Ohio area. There will be some free time and in the evening dinner is at 7p.m.(TBA).

Sunday, April 26th - departure for Dover, Ohio and the Warther Museum will be at 9:30 am. Admission is \$10 per person. Following the tour, we will depart for home with lunch on the way.

Some rooms at the Guggisberg Swiss Inn (1 mile North of Charm) have been set aside for the Affleck party. (That's us) Double rooms are \$79 downstairs and \$89 upstairs. You can go online to check out the place at:

[www.guggisbergswissinn.com](http://www.guggisbergswissinn.com). The phone number for reservations is 1.877.467.9477. Breakfast is included in the room cost. If you need more information or details, call Sylvia or Bob Affleck at 724.935.4951.

# Cars & Coffee - 2009

*A midweek breakfast get-together to swap a few stories and share a few laughs.*

by Rick Brown

Last year's midweek breakfast runs were well attended and enjoyable. Even so, there are a few things that must be adjusted. Instead of fighting busy schedules and newsletter deadlines, this year's version of Cars & Coffee South will designate one central meeting place on one specific day of one specific week. Beginning in May, all 2009 Cars & Coffee South breakfast runs will be scheduled for the second Monday of the month at Kings Restaurant 155 McMurray Rd. 15241. This is about a quarter mile off Route 19 near South Hills Village.

I will try to send out a monthly email reminder for each breakfast. So if you're interested in attending, please send your email address to me at brownrr1@verizon.net. Remember, you do not need to attend every month — we would love to see you there whenever you can make it.

If anyone else is interested in hosting a Cars & Coffee North, or East, or West of the city, I will be happy to help coordinate the information for the Dzus Dnuz.

## WPTA Store

by Wil Schweitzer

Now is the time to order WPTA identity items for the coming driving season. Do you have a name badge? Can you find yours? If not, order one now. Don't forget the rest of the family. The price is \$6.00 each, including postal delivery.

While you are at it, your Triumph, or other British car, needs WPTA identity in the form of a grill badge. The price is \$40.00, with free shipping until April 30th.

The badge mounts nicely on areas of the car other than the grill. Ed Major has one on his TR3 spare tire door.

Embroidered patches are available for \$1.00 each.

All of the above items can be purchased from Wil Schweitzer, 20 Grandview Ave., Hickory, PA 15340. Make checks payable to WPTA. For name badges, print the names as wanted.

Clothing and other cloth items can be embroidered by the WPTA official regalia embroiderer, Cutting Edge Embroidery of Pittsburgh., located at 5386 Steubenville Pike, Pittsburgh, PA 15236. Phone (412) 787-0906. Mario has a nice selection of clothing, or you can supply the items to be embroidered.

## Carlisle 2009

May 15-17

Mike Yurko has blocked off rooms in the Hotel Carlisle at the old rate of \$111.97, but to get this rate **you must call before April 30th** as they will release all rooms and go back to their standard rate that day (if available). And if you go on the "buddy" system you can cut those costs in half. The hotel has all the amenities that the club needs (good food & a bar). Call the hotel directly at 800-692-7315 and tell them you are with the WPTA. If you are planning to bring parts to sell, please let Jim Shaw know at 1-412-262-3878, Jim will coordinate the WPTA spaces.



# Updates to the 2009 Calendar

There have been a couple of changes and updates to the 2009 calendar. British Cars at Hartwood will be held on September 27th. That will also be the date of Dogs With Someone. This creates a conflict with the Anniversary Run which will be moved to another weekend. Date to be determined.

PJ Wright has volunteered to head up the Holiday party. Date and location will be announced later in the year.

Also Mike Yurko and Ken Mikos are going to take charge of the Fall Leaf tour. Mike has promised to put together a fun, organized and smooth running event. Ken will be in charge of any incomplete, incomprehensible and inaccurate instructions.

## Calendar of Events

- Apr 11 Lunch at Starting Line Cafe**  
Richard Dick 724-379-5172
- Apr 14 Beer & Bull Session**  
6 pm at Geno's in Lawrenceville  
5147 Butler Street
- Apr 18 Membership Meeting**  
King's at 179 Wexford exit
- Apr 25-26 Amish Country Tour**  
With MG club. Details to follow
- Apr 27 Newsletter Meeting,**  
6pm-Michael's Pizza Bar
- May 3 Solon Ohio Car Show**  
Dick Gaier 412-371-7331  
and Fred Segal 412-421-8602
- May 9 Tune-up Clinic**  
at Don Harkus' garage  
Doug Foyle 724-452-5218
- May 11 Cars & Coffee**  
Rick Brown - King's Restaurant, McMurray Rd
- May 15-17 WPTA at Import Carlisle**  
Hotel Carlisle for rooms 1-800-692-7315  
Jim Shaw to sell parts 412-262-3878
- May 17 Run with MG club**  
George Kress 724-625-7264
- June 6 Rally**  
Rick Brown 412-969-0118
- June 20 Summer Solstice Tour**  
Don Stewart 412-963-1893
- July 11 Washington County Tour**  
Bud Osbourne 724-356-4464
- July 18 British Car Day at Schenley Park**
- Jul 18-19 Pittsburgh Vintage Gran Prix**
- July 25 Johnstown Run, with MG club**  
Richard Dick 724-379-5172
- Aug ?? Quaker Steak & Lube Tour**  
Bud Osbourne 724-356-4464
- Aug ? Rally/Tour,**  
Doug Foyle 724-452-5218

### ~ Events Of Other Interest ~

- Apr 4 MG Tech Session-Fuel Injection**  
Scot Abbott 412-531-1568
- Jun 17-20 TRA National Meet**  
Charles Town WV, jrosenii@lycos.com
- July 5 PVGP Kickoff Rally**
- Jul 11-12 Vintage Races, Beaverun**
- Aug 7-8 Roadster Factory Summer Party**

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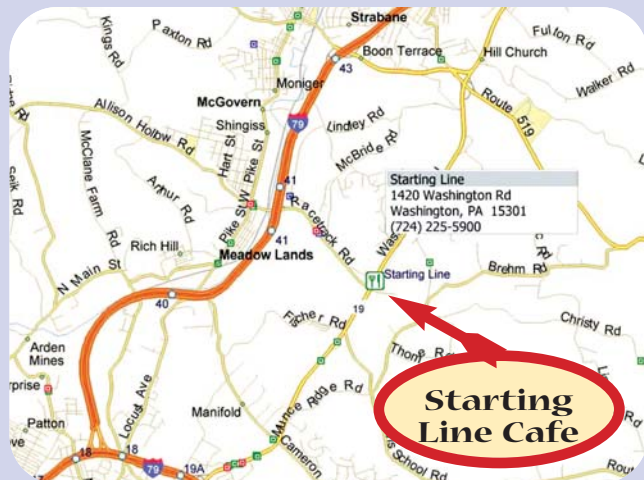
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# Don's TR3 Sees the light of day!



**Group 44 - 1966**

**Bob Tullius - 1968**



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**Photo of the Month**

**Calendar of Events**  
See Events for full list

Date	Event
Sept 19	Dogs with Fogs
	Ed Woods 412-486-4294 or Harvey Woods 412-486-2549
Sept 20	Newsletter Meeting
	5 pm - Typcraft. Click for <a href="#">online map</a>
	6pm - Michael's Pizza Bar. Click for <a href="#">online map</a>

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**Don't Forget To Check The Club Website**