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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.

Dusk Till Don

Wow that was some British Car Day Show. I would like to thank all the help, that worked so hard there Wil, Dexter, Rick, Linda, and so on, too many to list. As shows go there are always some little bugs that happen, but we hope to take care of that next year, with luck not too much trouble. Great show guys and gals, keep up all the hard work. Check Wil's articles for winners and other info.

Bud put on a great run with a lot of road the other night; it was the first time my TR 3 went any long distance, it was a little out of time but it ran great. If you saw it at BCD it is green and still needs work, a lot of polish and some things here and there.

Next month there is The Summer Party on **Aug. 7 & 8** we all should know where that is! Bud is doing the Quaker Steak and Lube run on the **15th**, PJ is doing a great morning run to Linden Hall on the **22nd**, then Doug is doing The North Country run on the **29th**.

Remember summer sun is fun.

Don

The Morning Run To Linden Hall

by P J Wright

Come Saturday morning, **August 22nd** we will be in the depth of the dog days of summer, wondering if it will ever rain or will the kids ever go back to school. It's hard to think of that now but sure as God made little green apples

Join us on this morning run to Linden Hall which is a convention center and golf course located not far beyond Perryopolis, about 50 miles from our starting point.

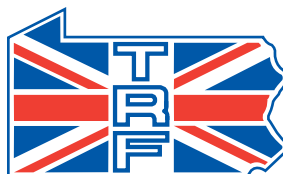
We will meet at the Kings on Route 19 South in North Strabane Township across from the new Rahall BMW emporium. Gathering by 9:30 am, we will have our coffee and donuts in preparation for the driver's meeting & send off at 10:00am.

This run will take about 2 and one half hours, ending up at the main restaurant where we will be having lunch, ordering off the menu, on one of their two outside decks. Believe it or not a draft beer is only 2 bucks. By 1:30 you will be free to scurry for the shadiest way home or wander around the convention center.

The Linden Hall mansion is a sight to behold but only from the outside, as they no longer give tours. What a shame, as they have a player organ, one of only three in the world. I have seen and heard it but that was over 50 years ago but then I digress...

Our mid-trip rest stop will be at the McDonalds on Fourth and McKean in Charleroi in case you want to join up with the group. We should be arriving there at about 11:00 am.

Come join the club for this event, knowing you can get home before the sun gets too high and these English cars and their drivers start to overheat.



The Roadster Factory Summer Party

By Bruce Stutzman

The Summer Party has been a tradition and favorite event for WPTA members and british car guys in general since 1986.

Changes were made the last couple years but it is now back to the traditional date and with all the great events that we love to participate in.

It is a 2 day event; Friday and Saturday **August 7 and 8**.

The major events are as follows:

Thursday evening: music and a bonfire at TRF for early arrivals

Friday: drag racing and Le Mans start contest at Pittsburgh Raceway Park on Route 22

Friday evening: dinner under the tent at TRF with a bonfire, music and a movie; "Out of Africa" with Merrill Streep and Robert Redford

Saturday: autocross at IUP

poker run/mountain road tour

Saturday evening: car show on Philadelphia Street in Indiana

And don't forget - all those parts at a 25% discount and no shipping. If you're not registered get on www.the-roadster-factory.com. Hope to see you there.

Quaker Steak & Lube Tour Classic

by Bud Osbourne

If you haven't already done so, mark your calendars for **Saturday, August 15th**, to participate in WPTA's classic Quaker Steak & Lube Tour. Our club has been running this tour since we were all youngsters, it's always been a great time. Although we've all mellowed significantly since the days when some of us used to book rooms in Sharon, in order to avoid having to drive back to Pittsburgh after closing time at The Lube, we still seem to manage to enjoy ourselves at the original (and best by far) QS&L.

We will meet at 11:30 AM at the Mt. Nebo Park 'n Ride (I-79 Mt. Nebo Road exit), with the first group departing on the tour at high noon. Some of the roads will be familiar to most QS&L Tour veterans, while others will be new to most of you. We'll have a couple of intermediate stops along the way, to allow "comfort" breaks and maybe a bit of shopping for the ladies, before arriving at our final destination between 3 and 4 PM. This should put us at The Lube at a time when parking, as well as seating selection should be no problem.

See you on August 15th!

North Country Run

by Duggy

August 29th, we will be meeting at 10:30 AM at the Park and Ride off the I79 Zelenople exit on Rt. 528 for a ride through the north country. Count on nice twisty turnies and beautiful scenery.

We will finish the run at a great little restaurant/pub in the Beaver Valley. Plan to attend....you won't regret it.

September 19th Anniversary Run

by Gary Fitzgerald

This year's Anniversary Run will start at Long Johns Silver in the Washington Crown Center, just off Interstate 70, exit 15. After exiting I 70, go South and turn right at light taking you into the Center. I would like to depart by no later than 2:00. The run will be about 60 miles of well maintained back roads. Washington County has its act together.

I can't say the same for Westmoreland County where I live. Hopefully monsoon season will be over and a nice sunny dry day will allow everyone to drive with the tops down.

Any questions feel free to call or write. Glmg2@verizon.net 724-696-5824

See you there. Gary

Dogs with Someone

by Don Harkus

This is a great event that the club has every year that was started with the Fogs many years ago and we are trying to keep it up. So after the Hartwood show come on over to North Park and eat some dogs and a lot more. This is on **September 27th** so bring your own beverage (WPTA pays for everything else) and have some fun with the gals and guys.



British Car Festival, Altoona

by Richard Dick

For those going to the Altoona fun weekend on Friday September 11th, we will meet at Dean's Diner on Route 22 in Blairsville at 10:30 am. for a bite to eat. I suspect we will leave by 11:30 for the Allegheny Portage RR via back roads this year. If you have a "Golden Age Passport", locate it now to take with you. If you know of great back roads from Dean's to the RR, please let me know. From here we will stop at Mt. Glitzen and visit the Glitzen tunnels. From there maybe a visit to horseshoe curve or head to the motel and check in. We must leave time for getting lost. I'm sorry, for additional exploration of back roads. If you wish to let us know you are going, Judy and I will make a list and we will wait for you at Dean's Diner. Call us at 724.379.5172 or email: britcarnuts@comcast.net, or just show up and surprise us.

Tools and their proper uses...

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, splattering it against that freshly-stained heirloom piece you were drying.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned guitar calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Yeou sheeet..."

ELECTRIC HAND DRILL: Normally used for spinning pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age.

SKIL SAW: A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters. The most often tool used by all women.

BELT SANDER: An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

WISE-GRIPS: Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

WELDING GLOVES: Heavy duty leather gloves used to prolong the conduction of intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub you want the



bearing race out of.

WHITWORTH SOCKETS: Once used for working on older British cars and motorcycles, they are now used mainly for impersonating that 9/16" socket you've been searching for the last 45 minutes.

TABLE SAW: A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

EIGHT-FOOT LONG YELLOW PINE 2X4: Used for levering an automobile upward off of a trapped hydraulic jack handle.

TWEEZERS: A tool for removing wood splinters and wire wheel wires.

E-Z OUT BOLT AND STUD EXTRACTOR: A tool, ten times harder than any known drill bit, that snaps neatly off in bolt holes thereby ending any possible future use.

RADIAL ARM SAW: A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to scare neophytes into choosing another line of work.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

CRAFTSMAN 1/2 x 24-INCH SCREWDRIVER: A very large pry bar that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end opposite the handle.

AVIATION METAL SNIPS: See hacksaw.

TROUBLE LIGHT: The home mechanic's own tanning booth. Sometimes called a drop light, it is a good source of vitamin D,

“the sunshine vitamin,” which is not otherwise found under cars at night. Health benefits aside, its main purpose is to consume 40-watt light bulbs at about the same rate that 105mm howitzer shells might be used during, say, the first few hours of the Battle of the Bulge. More often dark than light, its name is somewhat misleading.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids and for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads. Women excel at using this tool.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER: A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws.

AIR COMPRESSOR: A machine that takes energy produced in a coal-burning power plant 200 miles away and transforms it into compressed air that travels by hose to a Chicago Pneumatic impact wrench that grips rusty bolts which were last over tightened 30 years ago by someone at Ford, and instantly rounds off their heads. Also used to quickly snap off lug nuts.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent to the object we are trying to hit. Women primarily use it to make gaping holes in walls when hanging pictures.

MECHANIC'S KNIFE: Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

DAMMMMIT TOOL: Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling “DAMMMMIT” at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need!

Foreign Auto Parts Pittsburgh

by Bud Osbourne

We need to get the word out, to club members, that Danny Abbas (a.k.a. Foreign Auto Parts Pittsburgh, in Bridgeville) is now a Brad-Penn dealer. Danny will be getting his first order in stock next week. Give him a call or stop by and place your orders. They are located at: 451 Millers Run Rd, Morgan, PA 15064-9758, (412) 221-1310

In the case of those who can't easily get to Danny's place during regular business hours, I'll be glad to pick up a case for you.



~ Calendar of Events ~

- Aug 10 Cars & Coffee**
Rick Brown - King's Restaurant, McMurray Rd
- Aug 11 Beer & Bull Session**
6 pm at Geno's in Lawrenceville
5147 Butler Street
Bud Osbourne 724-356-4464
- Aug 15 Quaker Steak & Lube Tour**
Bud Osbourne 724-356-4464
- Aug 22 Morning Run To Linden Hall,**
PJ Wright 412-833-4142
- Aug 29 North Country Run,**
Doug Foyle 724-452-5218
- Aug 31 Newsletter Meeting, Monday**
6pm-Michael's Pizza Bar
- Sept 19 Anniversary Run,**
Gary Fitzgerald 724-696-5824
- Sept 27 Dogs with Someone**
Fred Williams 724-789-7476
or Don Harkus 724-284-9172
- Oct 3 Ride 'em Cowboys and Cowgirls,**
CANCELED CANCELED
- Oct 17 MG Club Fall Leaf Tour**
- Oct 24 WPTA Fall Leaf Tour**
Mike Yurko and Ken Mikos
- Nov 14 Election Meeting,**
King's at 179 Wexford exit
- Dec 12 No Meeting, Meeting,**
Gary Fredo 724-378-9610
- Jan 9, 2008 Holiday Party,**
PJ Wright

Aug. 29, North Country Run

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Doug 1-724-316-1523

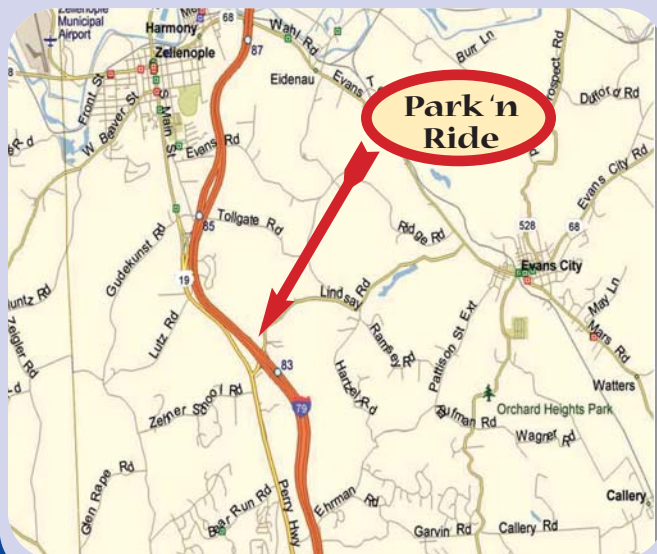


Photo by PJ Wright

~ Events Of Other Interest ~

- Aug 7-8 Roadster Factory Summer Party**
www.the-roadster-factory.com
- Sep 11-13 Vintage Fall Festival, Watkins Glen**
- Sep 11-13 British Car Festival, Altoona**
Jim Pastore (814) 942-7742
- Sep 18-20 British Invasion, Stowe VT**
www.britishinvasion.com
- Sept 27 British Cars at Hartwood**
- Sep 30-4 VTR National & Triumphest 2009**
San Luis Obispo, CA,
paulette.caudill@att.net
- Oct 10 8th Annual Brits by the Bay**
www.tracltd.org

British Car Day Winners 2009

Class 1 Triumph TR2, 3
1st Jim & Joni Shaw

Class 2 Triumph TR3A, B
1st Matt Lark
2nd Ken Greenleaf
3rd Wayne & Barb Allridge

Class 3 Triumph TR4
1st Ronald Boals
2nd Wray & Sherry Brady
3rd Mike & Becky Moore

Class 4 Triumph TR4A, 250
1st Ed Major
2nd Jim Stoffel

Class 6 Triumph TR6, Early
1st Bill Sagaser
2nd Jeffrey Zwergel
3rd Rich & Kathy Wendell
3rd David Summers

Class 7 Triumph TR6, Late
1st W. Moine
2nd Dick & Sandy Gaier
2nd Mark & Sherry Phillips
4th Mike Yurko

Class 8 Triumph TR7
1st Scott Permar

Class 9 Triumph TR8
1st Dan McGowan
2nd Bob & Sylvia Grubbs

Class 10 Triumph Spitfire Mark 1, 2, 3
1st Roy & Barb Emahizer
2nd Chico D'Alesio

Class 11 Triumph Spitfire Mark IV, 1500
1st Brian Hiestand
2nd Bill & Marcy Pukansky
3rd Cathy Fisher
4th Bob Pokrywka

Class 13 Triumph, Mixed
1st Wil Schweitzer

Class 14 MG TC, TD
1st Rich Robbins
2nd Jim Potter
3rd Tom Accamando

Class 15 MG TF
1st Dave Winkle

Class 16 MGA Pre 1960
1st Rich Robbins
2nd Glenn Wunderly

Class 17 MGA 1960 & Later
1st Anthony Deverse
2nd Carol & Dale Wood
3rd Bill Ankney



I came down to BCD with my daughter and entered my Mini at her suggestion. I do not know how many compliments you get for all of your work, but the show was wonderful. Her love of Mini's has been expanded to all that British cars have to offer. My thanks to all of the volunteers at BCD and the rest of the show. Next year the whole family will come to Pittsburgh to enjoy more of the show.

Thanks to all of the members of the WPTA.
John & Annika Hocienec

Class 18 MGB Early
1st Bud & Pat Joyner
2nd Bob Rippey
3rd GaryBubien
4th Norm & Sue Wright

Class 19 MGB Late
1st Earl Brewer
2nd Jeff Lee
3rd Ren & Robert Bartoe
3rd Andy Schneggenburger

Class 20 MGB-GT
1st John Greggerson
2nd John Holzer
3rd Bob & Sylvia Affleck

Class 21 MG Midget II, III
1st Dennis Sestra

Class 22 MG Midget 1500
1st Dave Aites
2nd David Shott

Class 23 Mixed British Pre 1985
1st Dennis Polland
2nd Richard Bennett
3rd Tom & Terrie Shelton

Class 24 Sunbeam
1st Paul Wojcik
2nd Donald Bele

Class 25 Austin Healey 100-4, 100-6
1st Fred Bender
2nd Jack Fussenegger

Class 26 Austin Healey 3000 MK I, II
1st Charlie Baldwin
2nd Bob Spears
3rd David Haines

Class 27 Austin Healey 3000 MK III
1st Dick & Sandy Gaier
2nd Frank Poskon
3rd Glenn Wunderly

Class 28 Motorcycles
1st Douglas Smith

Class 29 Austin Healey Sprite Bugeye
1st Bill Sagaser
2nd John Chapman

Class 30 Austin Healey Sprite MK II, III, IV
1st Jeff & Jean Toner

Class 31 Jaguar XK120, 140, 150
1st Dave Reese
2nd Lloyd Gillespie

Class 32 Jaguar E-Type Roadster
1st Bob Skelly
2nd Howard Engelberg
3rd Tom & Jan Felts
3rd Terry MdNamara

Class 33 Jaguar E-Type FHC & 2+2

1st Sam McVeigh, Jr.
2nd James Chentworth
3rd Jack & Pat Terrick

Class 34 Jaguar Saloon Pre 1969

1st Dan Tiel
2nd Frank Bailey

Class 35 Jaguar XJ6, XJ12, XJS

1st George Rain
2nd John Moan
3rd Melissa Brown
4th Don Adams

Class 36 Jaguar Modern

1st Ken Patterson
2nd Roger & Beth Zelt
3rd Chuck Weintraub

Class 37 Lotus Elan & Europa

1st Tim Minick
2nd Michael Braun

Class 38 Lotus Modern

1st Dave Marshall
2nd Rod Wiggins
3rd Curt Brown

Class 39 Morgan

1st David & Judie Burrows
2nd Frank Navratil

Class 40 Austin-Morris Mini

1st John Hedeem
2nd Edward Furda

Class 42 TVR

1st Ray Santini

Class 43 Land/Range Rover

1st Dave Bartley
2nd Bill Holland

Class 44 Rolls Royce/Bentley Pre 1941

1st Bill Casey

Class 45 Rolls Royce/Bentley 1945-1985

1st Thomas Vreeland
2nd Bernie Pinsker

Class 46 Rolls Royce/Bentley 1986 & Later

1st Dan Heit
2nd Steven Apter
3rd Deb Davis

Class 47 Mini Cooper (New)

1st John Hocieniec

Class 48 Aston Martin

1st Steven Iszauk
1st John Green

A Message From Wil Schweitzer BCD Chairman

As I write this, five days after British Car Day, that wonderful event is still constantly on my mind. The approximately 400 British cars, one nicer than the next, made an awesome display. Every year there are some new and different cars in the show. Thank you, participants, for making British Car 2009 a very special happening.

I want to thank all of the volunteers who make British Car Day possible. Especially Rick Brown (pre-registration), Scott Permar (windscreen cards), Jim Stoffel (field arrangement), Woody and Diane McVicker (mailing and liason), Dexter Stoltz (gate registration), Ed Major (printing), Bruce Stutzman (tallying), and Linda Schweitzer and Diane McVicker (packets), who spent many hours organizing the event.

I apologize for the change of venue for the Sunday British car display. It was a last minute decision by the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix show side director, caused by poor information. I have been assured, by the executive director of Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, that the space on the golf course will be allotted for the Sunday display next year.

Many participants left before the awards were distributed. If you are a winner and want your award mailed to you, contact me at w.Schweitzer@live.com or (724) 356-7341.

Although I helped with prior British Car Days, this was my first year as chairman and hopefully not my last.

To: Non WPTA Members **British Car Day is Not**

by Wil Schweitzer, BCD Chairman

British Car Day is not one of the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix "Combined" or "International" car shows. British Car Day is an event of the Western Pennsylvania Triumph Assoc. and existed before the PVGP. WPTA is a silver sponser and donates more than \$5,000.00 to the PVGP every year, and hosts British Car Day in conjunction with the PVGP. In the past, WPTA has honored PVGP registrations as a courtesy, but may not in the future. Next year, to be certain of your registration, register using the British Car Day form that we mail to you or download one from our web site: www.wptriumph.org

WPTA Winners

Congratulations to the Following WPTA Members who Won Awards at BCD:

Jim & Joni Shaw
Matt Lark
Ken Greenleaf
Wayne & Barb Allridge
Wray & Sherry Brady
Ed Major
Jim Stoffel
Jeff Zwergel
Rich & Kathy Wendell
Dick & Sandy Gaier (twice)
Mark & Sherry Phillips
Mike Yurko
Scott Permar
Dan Mcgowan
Cathy Fisher
Wil Schweitzer
Frank Navratil
Dennis Poland
Ray Santini

To: Non WPTA Members

An Invitation to Join WPTA

As you can see from reading this issue of the DZUS DNUZ, WPTA is a very active vintage car club. In fact, we are the most active vintage car club in Western PA.

Besides running BCD at the PVGP we have more driving events each month than most members are able to attend. Our tech sessions and annual tune up clinic are of great benefit to our members. And the camaraderie is priceless.

You don't have to own a Triumph to be a member. Besides TRs, our members own Minis, Austin Healeys, MGs, TVRs, Morgans, Jaguars and British motorcycles. And some of us are even a little eccentric.

Log onto our website, wptriumph.org, and download the membership application. Dues are only \$20.00 a year. Join now for 2010 and we will give you the remainder of 2009 free.

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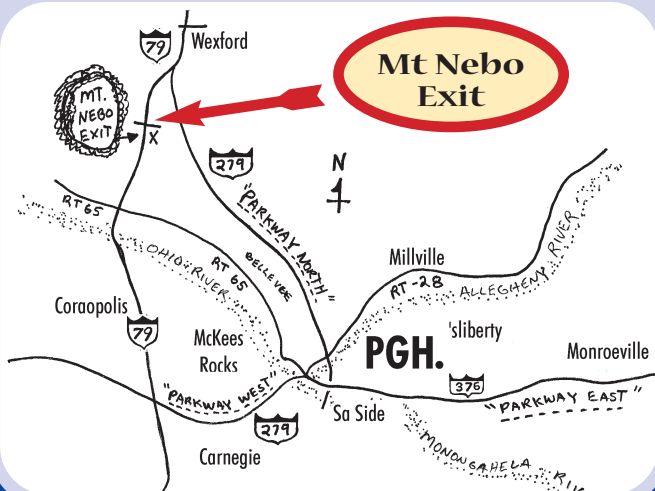
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Johnstown Run

