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The Crack Of Don

Hi all! The weather will soon be turning cooler. Something new is that Ed has been working hard on the new Club E-mail system. If you are not on it make sure to read Ed's article about it. I do know that I am on it.

We need to come up with a good name for it, because I myself think that it is a much needed tool. As we all know I do like tools; you can't have too many tools. So if any of you can come up with a good name for it. I'm thinking, Club E-mail Group (CEG). I don't know if that is it or something else? I think KEG is more fitting to a lot of club guys.

Ok, last month I didn't make it to any runs. Just too busy and a little under the weather. I have seen the pics from them all and, I know Richard's run to Johnstown was enjoyable, good job Rich. It also looks like Doug had a great turn-out for his Night Owl run, I think Bob Wyner even made it home. PJ did his run. It was a nice day so what more can I say, good friends, good food, what else is there, ops forgot the beer.

Next month Pat is doing a Run to Quaker Steak & Lube in Sharon. I know that Pat knows a whole bunch of back roads that just might keep the horse crap off our cars (sorry Bud!).

So don't miss it; I won't miss it. Then our club picnic at Hartwood. Laurie and Sandy are handling the food. So come join us for a good time.

Don

WPTA at Hartwood

British Cars at Hartwood is Sunday September 28. Sandy and Laurie are planning another club picnic. As you know if you have been there, they do a great job.

This is a very nice low key event at an outstanding venue. All you have to do is drive there in your TR, MG, etc. and bring your own beverages. Do not bring your own food.

If you haven't received a registration form from the Jaguar Club go to www.jaguarclubofpittsburgh.com.

Another of the many bennys of WPTA membership.

Run to Sugarcreek

by Larry Ross

On Saturday October 4th, join Kim and myself for a travel back into time. Our time travel will begin at the: Kings Family Restaurant, 500 Market Place Dr., Oakdale, Pa. 15071, (724) 695-3922. We will leave Kings promptly at 10 AM (drivers meeting @9:45 AM), so make sure you get there early enough for breakfast and/or a roll to go along with your coffee (we all know Triumphs are equipped with cup holders).

From there we will travel on a plethora of back roads as we wind our way back thru time to Amish Country located between Sugarcreek and Berlin Ohio.

This is approximately a 3 hour drive over hill & dale till we reach our final destination which will include shopping and a late lunch in this beautiful Amish countryside. Hope to see everyone at Kings . . . Larry (412) 780-8495 - cell

Anniversary Run and QS&L Tour 2014.

by Pat Ledford

September 20, 2014 is the date where we gather for the Quaker Steak and Lube Tour to Sharon PA for 2014. Over the past few years that I have organized the QS&L Tour I have tried to create a different route than the year before and usually started north then ran west to Sharon PA. This year in order to mix it up again we are going to head west then turn north ending up at the QS&L. This should be an easy run for the navigator as the roads are well marked and there are long distances before changing a route. There are still plenty of curves and dips and valleys to make the drive interesting.

We will start at the Sheetz on Mount Nebo Road off exit 68 on I-79. Meeting time will be 10:00 AM and Drivers meeting at 10:15AM. This is a busy Sheetz but possibly we can gather at the far side of the pumps.

I hope this can be a large gathering as an invite went out to all the registries of the British Car Day to join us via an emailed copy of the Dzus Dnuz. We have had a cool August and lets hope we still have a nice end of September weather for a top down run.

Change of Venue For Cars & Coffee

by Rick Brown

Starting in September, Cars & Coffee is moving to a new location – the Beach House restaurant (adjacent to Mineral Beach swimming pool) on Route 88 about two miles north of Finleyville. Cars & Coffee is a monthly breakfast sponsored by WPTA and open to any and all fans of British cars. We have met continuously since 2005, and attract separate tables of both men and women. We meet rain or shine the 2nd Monday of the month, eating around 9:30, after the men spend 20 to 30 minutes hanging around the cars, solving whatever real or imagined mechanical problems we can manufacture. Consider joining us if and when you have a free Monday morning.



A Must Read For All WPTA Members

New E-mail System For WPTA

by Ed Major

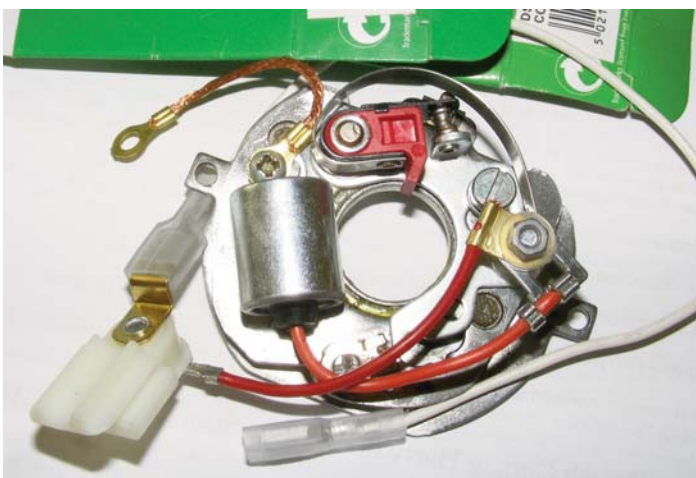
By now, you may or may not know of the new email list created for WPTA. I have struggled recently with maintaining email lists while trying to send appropriately timed emails and reminders of club events. We are in need of a better system to disseminate information to the Club besides the newsletter. With email being the choice of this age; we (WPTA) have adopted a system where everyone can send out an email to the rest of the club. You will need to "opt-in" to start receiving the emails (if you haven't already received them). It is to be ONLY used for club information. Such as club events, changes in schedules, impromptu events and similar information.

This system is run by Mark Bradakis of Utah, who runs the email networks of "autox.team.net" for the Triumph lists, MG lists, AH lists, FOT list, and etcetera. There is no charge; it is by donation only, so WPTA will donate a set amount each year for the list. Then it is up to you, the members, to donate on an "as you feel" basis. Mark, by no means is getting rich off of these lists; but he does supply one heck of a great service to all the British Marques. The system is secure, your email is never made public, and safe, the system doesn't allow for any attachments to be sent (if you do send one it will be deleted).

If you haven't seen the "wpta@autox.team.net" emails, send me an email to "opt-in" to this service, and then you will be able to send and receive emails to and from the others in the system. Once again, this will be limited to club information only. DO NOT "REPLY" TO THESE EMAILS unless you need to contact the entire club!

We have approximately 180 members, I will automatically send the 110 or so current members that I have working emails for. You may "opt-out" at any time if you like. You will receive a monthly email with information about the account.

One last but important note, if you "reply" to an email with "[WPTA]" in the subject line, please know that it goes out to all of WPTA. So don't "fill" our in box's with "chit-chat".



FOR SALE: Rebuilt points plates with all new components (even the screws). For Lucas DM2, 25D and 22D distributors. Perfect backup for those of us who replaced their points with Pertronix Ignitors or Crane XR700s. The points are even correctly set. Carry it in your glove box. When you need it (your Pertronix dies) just remove the 2 side screws holding that plate in your dizzy, replace it with this plate (same 2 screws) and continue your happy motoring. \$39, Bruce Stutzman; stutzmans@comcast.net



Why is Wray Brady laying under his Dashboard? The photo above will give you the answer!

British Car Weekend

by Richard Dick

The British Car weekend and DelGrosso car show is a week later than usual, Sept. 12th thru the 14th. If you are planning to go early with Judy and I on Friday the 12th, we plan to meet for a late breakfast/early lunch at Dean's Diner in Blairsville on Route 22 at 10 am. From here we will head for Altoona and hopefully be able to check in early again this year. If not, the next stop is the Military Museum in Boalsburg for the afternoon and then back to Altoona. Saturday is the fun kana, the tour of the countryside and finally dinner and deserts. Sunday is the Car show at DelGrosso's with admission to the park and their wonderful Chicken dinner. The nice thing is there is no judging of the cars.

Please let me know if you are going with us on Friday so I can notify you if a change comes up and also so I expect to see you at Dean's diner. My email is britcarnuts@comcast.net or phone 724.379.5172.

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FREE: TR7 decals. "TRIUMPH" (YKC4208) and "TR7" (YKC4218) that go on the trunk lid and the "TRIUMPH" wreath (XKC3702) that goes on the front apron. I believe these are all gold colored but can't tell for sure until the protective backing is removed which would probably ruin them. These decals appear to be in great shape. FREE to any current WPTA member. Must be a member. First come, first served. Send an email to garyfredo@yahoo.com if you want them and we can meet up at an event and I can give them to you. No phone calls please.



FOR SALE: 1975 TR 6 in Carmine Red for sale. New Top, no rust, asking \$9,000, Contact Dave Fisher at 412-221-6542.

Churchill tool #6675 -- Hood Release



Photo by Jim Shaw

Churchill Tool #667.5 after having been expertly used by Jim Shaw to spring the very seriously stuck bonnet latch on Bruce's TR4. Access to the latch was thru the headlight bucket hole.

The Blind Leading the Blind

Bobby's TR8 being serviced by Kenny and Dougie on the Night Owl.



The Result!



Photos by Larry Ross

Fabulous Fall Foliage Frolic

by Bud Osbourne

On Saturday, October 18, we'll be taking a leisurely drive along secluded back-roads, through the Laurel Highlands. It should be pretty good leaf-viewing weather by then . . . maybe a little cool and even damp. But, we'll go, unless it snows! The route will include some of the same roads enjoyed by PVGP's Countryside Tour, in July, only we won't have to fight the heat.

We will meet for a QUICK brunch at 11 AM at a location to be announced in the next Dzus Druz. After grabbing a QUICK brunch, we will QUICKLY get organized into our tour groups and hit the road. Stragglers will be left to the mercy of the natives!

Our intermediate destination is historic Fort Ligonier. Details to be announced next month.

We'll finish-up at The Coventry Inn, where Charles will have parking arranged for us and a good dinner, too. Selections for dinner are: Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding - \$19.95, Fish & Chips - \$13.95, English Pub Burger w/Cheddar - \$12.95. All selections include salad, bread & butter. After dinner, you can either spend the night in Indiana (highly recommended) and maybe do something adventurous on Sunday, or you can head home, if you like. Either way, you will have a great time enjoying great old cars on great, winding, tree-lined roads along with a bunch of good friends.....similar to our club's old slogan, come to think of it.

To help Charles plan for and accommodate our group, I will need the courtesy of an RSVP from all who will attend. Email me (please) at: abcoz@hky.com . Or you can call me at: 412-855-9969.

~ Calendar of Events ~

- Sep 8 Cars & Coffee** 9 am at the Beach House Restaurant
Rick Brown, 412-818-1433
- Sep 16 Bud's Beer & Bull**
6 pm at Iron Creek Grill, Cuddy, PA
Bud Osbourne 412-855-9969
- Sep 20 Anniversary Run and Quaker Steak & Lube Tour - Sharon**
Pat Ledford 724-901-7005
- Sep 28 Hartwood Show & WPTA Club Picnic**
Don Harkus, 724-822-5447
- Sep 29 Dzus Druz Meeting, 6:00 PM**
Primanti's I-79 Exit 60 - Bruce 412-600-7275
- Oct 5 Run to Sugar Creek**
Larry Ross 412-980-8495
- Oct 18 Run to Coventry Inn - Fall Leaf Tour**
Bud Osbourne 412-855-9969
- Nov 15 Election Meeting,**
King's at 179 Wexford exit
- Dec 13 No Meeting, Meeting,**
Gary Fredo 724-378-9610
- Jan ?? 2015 Holiday Party,**
Jim & Diane Bastone

~ Events Of Other Interest ~

- Sep 5-7 Vintage Races, Watkins Glen**
- Sep 9-14 VTR National Meet**
Dobson, NC - <http://www.vtr2014.com/>
- Sep 12-14 Delgrosso Car Show, Altoona**
- Sep 28 British Cars at Hartwood**
<http://www.jaguarclubofpittsburgh.com/>

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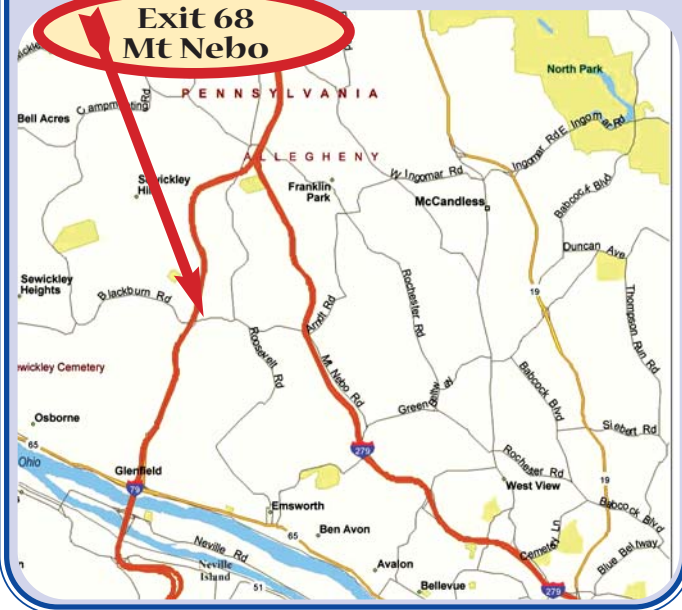
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Quaker Steak 'n Lube Tour

September 20th, the starting place will be the Sheetz at Mount Nebo Road just of exit 68 on I-79.

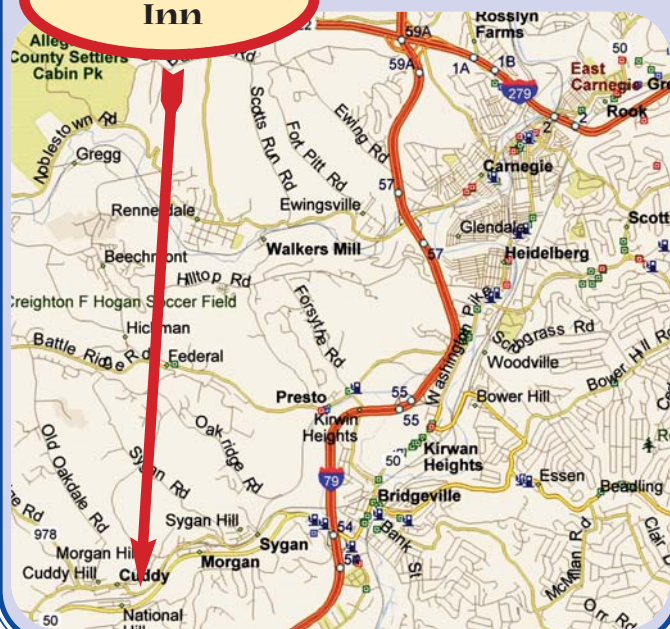
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Bud's Beer & Bull

Tuesday, September 16th, at 6pm, Iron Creek Inn, 611 Millers Run Rd, Cuddy, PA 15031.

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