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The Crack Of Don

Hi All! Hope all are faring the cold winter. I know I am getting thru it. Last month was the Team Triumph Run that was snowed out. Since where was only four at breakfast and by the time I left the restaurant I had over two inches on the truck. This is winter after all, and the first time we canceled. I am hoping to reschedule this event for March 14, if we can. Maybe I will be able to drive a Triumph there.

Next month is Jim's Slot car racing on March 7. Then I am hoping to go to Team Triumph on the 14th same as before, Perkins for breakfast at 8, leave at 9. There is a MG Tech Session on March 21st with George Kress. Then Dexter is doing the annual Church Brew Works on March 28th.

I did start my TR250 and everybody has asked me what does it sound like? The only thing I can say is it sounds like Triumph. Now with the top on and the seats in I really want to go for a drive, but with the weather as it is there is no way it is leaving my garage.

Let's all think sunny weather!

Don



Don's new lift, lifts are getting contagious in the club!
 Great for oil changes at the Tune Up Clinic

Get Tuned

by Doug Foyle

8AM, April 25th is the time and day we can all look forward to meeting at Donald's garage for this year's Tune Up Clinic. With snow on the ground and single digit temperatures, it's hard to believe the driving season is right around the corner.

The Roadster Factory will again be in attendance. Get your order in early and designate it for the WPTA clinic, and you will receive a discount and free shipping to the event. Large items that can't be transported in a car are not included. Items must be picked up at the clinic.

WPTA will again be supplying Brad Penn 20w-50 High Performance Oil free for oil changes performed at the event. Cases of oil can be purchased at our discounted cost. Break In Oil can also be purchased by the case, but by special request only.

Hope to see you there! Please call Doug Foyle (724) 452-5218 with any questions.

Slot Car Racing: Saturday, March 7, 2015

by Jim Keenan

I hate winter more every year. My favorite activities are undoable due to the "awesome" weather. However, it is the time of year to indulge in another one of my hobbies – slot cars.

Like many of you I had various slot car sets as a child. Most of that experience was with HO scale cars. I last played with slot cars in 1972 when I was 14 years old. That long drought ended Christmas 1999 when my youngest son asked for a 1/32 scale slot car set for Christmas. That single event started a chain of events that has led to what you will witness first hand if you attend, "The Fourth Annual WPTA Slot Car Day".

The track is: 4 lanes (120 feet) of smooth hand-routed MDF, computer timing/track management that gives lap times to 1/1000th of a second, hand controllers with adjustable sensitivity and braking all powered by a 10 amp adjustable DC power supply. This track is the host to highly detailed 1/32 and 1/24 scale slot cars.

The plan is to meet at Perkin's restaurant in Cranberry, PA at 9:00 am for breakfast. Depart at 10:00 am for my home at: 7921 Cliff View Drive, Poland, OH 44514. My cell phone is (330) 402-0707. After approximately a 45 minute drive we will arrive for an enjoyable day of adult beverages (BYOB), food, slot car "smack" talk (disparaging comments about one's lack of skills).

The address for Perkin's is: 20013 Route 19, Cranberry Township, PA 16066. For those who want to skip breakfast, please arrive at my house no earlier than 11:00 am.

We will race until the onset of slot car fatigue.

**Something to avoid with your Triumph
 -- Rapid unintended disassembly**

Church Bull Works

by Dexter Stoltz

Spring is around the corner, so you know what that means: local, craft brews from Pittsburgh's own Church Brew Works with WPTA. Since the group size is wildly different year-to-year, I just let the staff know we will be there on the left side, in the bar area. Show up around noon, have a buffalo burger or some pierogies and probably participate in some bar-side diagnostic conversation. It's going to be on Saturday, 28 March, a little later in the year than usual.

Church Brew Works, 3525 Liberty Avenue, Pixburgh PA 15201



Mossfest

by Don Harkus

As you know, Moss Motors has a Moss East in Petersburg, VA. They are having a one day event for club members on June 6. I plan to drive down and am looking for club members to join me. I have gone to the TRF Summer Party and it was a wonderful time. This year I am hoping to have more time on my hands, so I am going to leave early June 5 for the long drive to Petersburg and stay the weekend. Go to the show on Saturday the 6th. Spend the night and drive home on Sunday the 7th. I have reserved a few rooms not many, because it is a long drive. You need to let me know who is coming with me. Also you will have to register with Moss on their web site; www.mossmotors.com by May 31st if not you can't park with all the other cars. This sounds like a good time so come join me.

Rescheduled Run to Team Triumph

by Gary Fredo

Due to the bad weather we had to postpone the run to Team Triumph until March 14th. Everything else is the same. We will start with breakfast at Perkin's Restaurant on Rt 19 in Cranberry for breakfast at 8:00 AM and plan to leave Perkin's around 9:00 AM to head to Team Triumph. As always we will go to a local establishment after Scott's for some food and refreshments. Team Triumph is located at 695 Summit Street, NW, Warren Ohio 44485 for those that want to go straight to Scott's.



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FOR SALE: TR6 with Hardtop, 86,584 miles. CF11094U. French Blue, black interior and top. Very good condition and all mechanical and electrical operate as they should. Restored over the last 20 years with new floor pans, rocker panels, steel fenders, convertible top, carpet, & wood dash, Monza exhaust, rebuilt engine, master cylinder, brakes, clutch, water pump, suspension bushings, & carpet. After market hard top in. The engine bay will be detailed and cleaned prior to delivery, plus a new radiator shroud will be installed. Also, the air cleaner and valve cover will be media blasted and repainted in silver. The interior face plate (has a nick) will be replaced with a new one from Moss Motors. I welcome pre purchase inspections. Car is located in Greensburg, PA. Asking \$15,000. Contact info is rskusy@msn.com

Volunteer Needed

We need a volunteer to run the Johnstown Run this summer. The event is scheduled for July 25. Rich is unable to run the event this year but you can probably use his route from previous years as a starter. He will also have the restaurant information, contacts, etc. So this is pretty much a "turn-key" event. Anyone interested? Please contact either Richard Dick britcar-nuts@comcast.net or Gary Fredo 724-378-9610 if you are.

Tech Session @ Bud's Saturday, April 18th

by Bud Osbourne

Although it will focus, mainly on MG Midget and MGB uni-body restoration procedures and practices, we'll also touch on the MGB rear dog-leg area, which is also applicable to the Spitfire. Also, which MG-focused, many of the tips and procedures we'll be demonstrating can also be applied to Triumphs. And the beer is the same, for either marque!

So, please feel free to join us, in the "Oz Garage" around 10 AM, on the 18th of April, for some serious discussion of body restoration techniques & practices, as well as cold beer. We'll either order pizza, or maybe someone's wife (name withheld to protect Bud) will take pity on us.

Tech Session

The March 21st tech session will be at George Kress's company garage starting at noon. His garage is located at 225 Sandy Creek Rd. Verona, Pa. 15147. At this time, George doesn't know exactly what they will be working on but will be there with food and drink. This will probably be MG related but much can probably be applied to triumph's as well.

~ Events Of Other Interest ~

May 15-17 Kastner Cup, Summit Point, WV

May 15-17 MG club Put-In-Bay

Jun 8 MG club national, Niagara Falls

Jun 16-19 TRA National Meet

Solomon's Island MD

www.triumphregister.wordpress.com/

Jun 12-14 The Elegance at Hershey"

Jun 12-14 Vintage Races, Mosport

Jul 11-12 Vintage Races, Beaverun

Jul 14 PVGP Waterfront Car Show

Jul 24-26 Vintage Races, Watkins Glen

Aug 7-9 The Roadster Factory Summer Party

Aug 28-30 Degrosso Car Show, Altoona

Sep 11 GP Festival, Watkins Glen NY

Sep 19 Stowe Vt, British Invasion

<http://www.britishinvasion.com/>

Sep 11-14 VTR National Meet

The Abbey on Geneva Lake, WI

<http://www.vtr2015.com/>

Sep 27 British Cars at Hartwood

<http://www.jaguarclubofpittsburgh.com/>

Oct 16-18 British Reliability Run

SE PA to NY & Return

<http://www.britishreliability.org/>

~ Calendar of Events ~

- Mar 7 Slot Car Racing**
Jim Keenan 330-402-0707
- Mar 9 Cars & Coffee** 9 am at the Beach House Restaurant
Rick Brown, 412-818-1433
- Mar 14 Run To Team Triumph, Warren OH**
Don Harkus 724-822-5447
- Mar 17 Bud's Beer & Bull**
6 pm at Iron Creek Grill, Cuddy, PA
Bud Osbourne 412-855-9969
- Mar 21 MG Club Tech Session**
George Kress 724-625-7264
- Mar 28 Church Brew Works,**
Dexter Stoltz 412-865-1201
- Mar 30 Dzus Dnuz Meeting, 6:00 PM**
Primanti's I-79 Exit 60 - Bruce 412-600-7275
- Apr 18 MG Club Tech Session**
Bud Osbourne 724-356-4464
- Apr 25 Tune-up Clinic – Don's Garage**
Doug Foyle 724-452-5218
- May 2 Quaker Steak & Lube – Pleasant Hills**
Richard Dick 724-379-5172
- May 9 MG club Spring Run to Indiana**
- May 16-19 WPTA at Import Carlisle**
Jim Shaw to sell parts 412-262-3878
- May 30 Run/Tour**
Rick Brown 412-818-1433
- Jun 5-7 Mossfest in Virginia**
Don Harkus 724-822-5447
- Jun 20 Summer Solstice Tour**
Don Stewart 412-963-1893
- Jun 27 Ohio/Pa Run**
Larry Ross 412-780-8495 &
Jim Keenan 330-402-0707
- Jul 16 PVGP Country Side Tour**
Bud Osbourne 724-356-4464
- Jul 18 British Car Day at Schenley Park**
- Jul 17-19 Pittsburgh Vintage Gran Prix**
- Jul 25 Johnstown Run**
Richard Dick 724-379-5172
- Aug 1 Night Owl,**
Doug Foyle 724-452-5218
- Aug 22 Half Day Run,**
PJ Wright 412-833-4142
- Sep 12 Anniversary Run/QS&L Tour - Sharon PA**
Pat Ledford 724-901-7005
- Sep 27 WPTA Picnic at British Cars at Hartwood**
- Oct 3 Run**
Larry Ross 412-780-8495
- Oct 10 Fall Leaf Tour**
Don Harkus 724-822-5447
- Oct 17 MG Club Fall Leaf Tour**
- Nov 14 Election Meeting,**
King's Restaurant at I-79 Wexford exit
- Nov ?? Run to The Roadster Factory**
Gary Fredo 724-378-9610
- Dec 12 No Meeting, Meeting,**
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- Jan ?? 2016 Holiday Party,**

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