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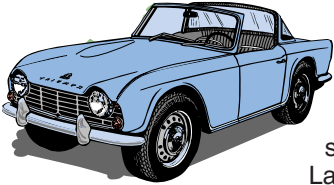
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The Crack Of Don



Hi All. Looks as if most of us made it thru the big snow storm. Now let's start thinking of warm sun and nicer days. With some of the guys heading south I guess to thaw out early.

Last month Larry had the first of his Brew Tours. It was nice time with a little something different. Of course anything with the club is a good time. Then, with the new VP running the Steering / Planning meeting, we did the calendar for the year. It looks as if it is going to be a fun year with a lot to do. If there is something else that you would like to do; there is still time for you to get it on the calendar. Talk to Jim and let him know. He should be able to fit it in someplace.

At the Holiday Party, even just after the big snow, everybody that registered showed up. Let me tell you that the food was great and there was plenty of it with lots left. So if you didn't get enough to eat it was your fault. Kim and Jan did a fantastic job at getting it done. With Ken getting the gifts and Larry running the party. Thanks to all that worked at making the party nice, I had a good time as always.

The Driver's Award was presented to the member who came to the most WPTA events in 2015. Jim Keenan took the honors. So Larry tied my record of three years in a row; I guess I might have to try to get it back.

Next month there are only two events on the calendar. Usually the first is our Run to Team Triumph on the 20th. I hope we don't get snowed out for this event. This ordinarily gets the season started for me. But Larry has another Brew Tour scheduled for the 6th. Let's all think warmer weather.

Don



Church Brew Works

by Dex

Spring! Something to look forward to. Let's get together again at The Church Brew Works brewery on Liberty Avenue in Lawrenceville and plan out the tasks needing to be accomplished at the Tune-Up clinic, and beyond into the driving season. Come Saturday, 12 March at noon on the bar side, as per the usual. The Saint Patrick's Day Parade is that morning if you'd like to start the day there...will save you a place!



Run To Team Triumph 2016

In **February** on the **20th**, I hope that the snow will not be flying. We will hope to head west to see our friend Scott Harper. I know that I always enjoy a drive to his place and see the great stuff. Sandy would say junk. We will meet at Perkins on route 19 just south of the entrance to the turnpike, at 9:00. Perkins Restaurant address is 20013 Perry Hwy, Cranberry Twp. Pa 16066 for the guys that use their GPS. We will leave Perkins at 10 and arrive at Team Triumph at 11:00 for the guys that don't want breakfast. So mark your calendar.



aka, Import Carlisle

by Mike Yurko

The time is close for Import Performance Nationals Weekend at Carlisle. This year the dates are May 19-22 and we have reserved a block of rooms at the Motel 6 just off the turnpike exit. This is a place some of the guys stayed at last year. I have requested all non-smoking rooms.

For room reservations the phone number is 717-249-7622. The rate is \$69 a night. When you call make sure that you let them know that you are with the WPTA or Mike Yurko to get the discount and in the same block of rooms (unless you are ashamed of us).

Hope to see you there.

February Winter Brew Tour

by Larry Ross

You want beer? The Rock Bottom has beer, not just traditional beers, either, but seasonal beers, specialty beers, light beers and dark beers.

Our February Brew Tour will be on Saturday, **February 6th, 2016** and our destination will be: Rock Bottom, 171 Bridge St., Homestead, Pa. 15120, (412) 462-2739

We can spend the afternoon chatting about the Triumph Universe. See you at High Noon.



Slot Car Racing

by Jim Keenan
Saturday, March 5, 2016

Mark your calendars. Saturday, March 5, 2016 will be our 4th annual slot car event.

There are several diehard club members that insist we race slot cars on the first Saturday in March. Those of you who have participated in the past know the drill. If you have never attended this event, here is the lowdown.

We will meet at Perkins in Cranberry at 9:00 am for breakfast. We will then depart (caravan) for my house in Poland, Ohio. The drive will take about 45 minutes so we will arrive at approximately 11 am. If you want to skip breakfast just arrive at my place (7921 Cliffview Dr. Poland, OH 44514) around 11 am prepared to get your "race face" on.

The track is a 115 foot, hand routed MDF (medium density fiberboard), 4 lane circuit. The hand controllers have adjustable throttle and brake sensitivity. This year I have specially constructed four 1/24 scale, 1970 Camaros for this event. These cars meet the most important criteria for the event—they are indestructible. Unskilled slot racers crash—a lot. In past years the cars we raced took a real beating. The Camaros' will be perfect cars for this event, fun and almost unbreakable. I say almost because based on what I have witnessed in past years some drivers can break an unbreakable car. The track also has computer management that gives lap times to the thousandth of a second.

Most important is proper etiquette when racing slot cars. Do: sip your favorite beverage, question the manhood of your competitors, keep your car in the slot, have fun. Don't: expect to beat me (skills), just ask Ken about that, set your controller on the track, lay your hand on the track (ouch). It is that simple.

I will provide snacks. There is a large refrigerator by the track to keep your beverage (byob) ice cold. We will play until everyone has had their fill for another year. If we are still going strong at lunch we can order some food.

If you have any questions, call me at (330) 402-0707. If you have never attended this event come and play with the toy cars. It would be nice to have some "First Timers", this year.

Duez Are Due; Now!

Red Star Issue!

by Larry Ross

Well, here we are into 2016 and some of you still haven't renewed your Club Membership! If you haven't "treated yourself" to renewing your membership, now is the Best Time!

If your address label has the "Red Star", your membership expired in December 2015. So, this could be your Last Issue of the "award winning" Dzus Dnuz newsletter.

PLEASE make checks/mo. payable to "WPTA" in the amount of \$25. Payment for multiple years is very good and also very fashionable (wink, wink).

So make it a point to get it in the mail today. Send it to: Larry Ross, 129 Crestview Dr., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15236

If you do have a question or comment, give me a call at (412) 780-8495.

Please include any and all updates in physical address, email address, phone numbers, cell phones, cars, etc. that you have made. I don't mind getting repeat information. I will try my best to keep accurate information for our club. Also, if you wish to just receive your newsletter via the net, let me know that as well.

Brew Tour Wrap-Up

by Larry Ross

Whoo Hoo . . . Our first Brew Tour was a great success. We had approximately 20 members arrive at the Penn Brewery for Round 1. And what a great day it was for January 9th, sunny and mild.

The members that attended (not PJ Wright) spent a great afternoon discussing the Triumph Universe. It was just a great time to catch up since we have not had a Driving Event over the last few months.

A few of the members decided to take a guided tour of the facility and discuss the brewing process with one of the Master Brewers. Did you know that the Penn Brewery has a "brewing vat" labeled "Rooney". That's right, apparently they have concocted a special brew for the Rooney Family and the beer is shipped to their Florida compound. Maybe next year they will have a vat marked "Stutzman". See you learn something new every week.

I hope to see you at Round 2 of the Brew Tour.



Photo by Larry Ross

Planning Meeting Report

by Jim Keenan

I would like to thank those members who attended to help schedule this year's events. They were: Larry Ross, Gary Fredo, Bruce Stutzman, Dexter Stoltz, Don Harkus, Wray Brady, Curt Stroup, Rick Brown, Mike Bongart, Pat Ledford, Jay Galbreath and Don Stewart who provided us with the MG Club events. A special thanks to our outgoing Vice President, Gary Fredo. He called the QS&L numerous times to make sure they had a space for the meeting. He also has been very helpful by sharing his experiences as the vice president to assist me in taking over the duties of the office.

We completed the planning session of the meeting in about an hour. That enabled us to begin the serious part of the meeting: beverages, food, and Triumph bull.

The calendar is complete, however some modifications may be required at some point. This year's events give you many opportunities to enjoy driving your Triumph. As I sit here typing this on a cold, dreary January day I am really looking forward to blasting through the western Pennsylvannia countryside with the warm air in my face, the crisp exhaust note of an inline 6 cylinder filling my ears and the overall sensations one experiences when operating one of our truly unique automobiles. If you're like me, the whole point of owning these cars is the joy of driving them. I hope to see many of the membership at this year's events "enjoying" their Triumphs.

The entire 2016 Club Callendar plus a listing of other Vintage Car Events of interest appear on the next page.

WPTA 2016 Calendar of Events

February

- 2-6 Brew Tour - Rock Bottom
Larry Ross 412-780-8495
- 2-8 Cars & Coffee - Rick Brown 412-818-1433
- 2-16 Bud's Beer & Bull - Bud Osbourne 412-855-9969
- 2-20 Run to Team Triumph -
Breakfast Perkins (Cranberry) 9 am, depart 10 am.
- 2-23 Dues Dnuz ?

March

- 3-5 Slot Car Racing - Jim Keenan 330-402-0707
- 3-12 Church Brew Works - Dexter Stoltz 412-865-1201

April

- 4-2 Brew Tour North County Brewery -
Larry Ross 412-780-8495
- 4-30 Tune-up Clinic - Jay Galbreath 412-973-7154

May

- 5-7 Run/Tour - Pat Ledford 724-901-7005
- 5-19 to 22 WPTA at Import Carlisle

June

- 6-4 Run/Tour - Rick Brown 412-818-1433
- 6-25 Run to Red Bandana Winery -
Larry Ross 412-780-8495

July

- 7-13 PVGP Water Front Car Show
- 7-14 PVGP Country Side Tour-Bud Osbourne 412-855-9969
- 7-16 British Car Day at Schenley Park
- 7-30 Run/Tour- Curt Stroup 412-337-7764

August

- 8-13 Night Owl Run - Doug Foyle 724-452-5218
- 8-27 Half Day Run - P J Wright 412-833-4142

September

- 9-9 to 9-11 Watkins Glen Vintage Races/Festival
- 9-17 Anniversary Run / Atwood Lake OH -
Jim Keenan 330-402-0707
- 9-25 British Cars at Hartwood (club picnic)

October

- 10-1 Run-details TBA
- 10-15 Fall Leaf Tour- Don Harkus 724-822-5447

November

- 11-5 Run to The Roadster Factory -
Gary Fredo 724-378-9610
- 11-29 Dzus Dnuz Meeting

December

- 12-17 No Meeting, Meeting -
Gary Fredo 724-378-9610

~ Other Events of Interest ~

- 2-21 Winter Soup Party (MG Club event)
- 3-19 Tech Session (MG Club event) Bud Osbourne
- 4-1 to 4-3 Kastner Cup @ Sonoma Raceway, CA
- 4-8 to 4-10 Vintage Races @ VIR
- 4-24 Tech Session - George Kress (MG Club event)
- 5-13 to 5-15 Jefferson 500 @ Summit Point
- 6-15 to 6-19 TRA National Meeting, Painesville OH
- 6-24 to 6-26 Vintage Races @ Mid-Ohio
- 7-8 to 7-10 Vintage Races @ Beaverun
- 7-15 to 7-17 PVGP
- 8-17 Sunset Run (MG Club event)
- 9-8 to 9-11 6 Pack Trials, Perrysville, OH
- 9-9 to 9-11 Altoona British Car Festival
- 9-16 to 9-18 British Invasion Stowe, VT
- 10-3 to 10-8 VTR National, TX
- 10-14 to 10-16 British Reliability Run



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To register: <http://triumphregister.com/tra-national-meet/>
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For additional information contact Beverly Floyd,
TR250navigator@aol.com or 330-666-2817

FOR SALE: 1968 Triumph GT6 Fastback Mk.1, ASKING \$9,995 OBO . . . Over \$8,000 of new parts installed during 3 year restoration... Have owned this vehicle since 1974, garaged stored. Reason to Sell: Fund my E36 BMW M3 build. John Beck 412-605-9067
<http://www.the-roadster-factory.com/Classifiedsform.php>



FOR SALE: Weber DGV downdraft carbs with K&N filters. Set up for my TR6 and work great. In excellent condition. But, I'm an SU Stromberg guy. Moss price \$1200. Asking \$600. Bruce Stutzman stutztr4@gmail.com

FOR SALE: Triumph TR 250, Running, driving car, solid frame. Has rust and bondo, R title, Interior needs help. Asking \$15,000. Rich Roenigk, York, PA WPTA member; 717-487-1795

WANTED: Triumph TR7 or TR8 Convertible. Good to excellent condition. NO RUST, NO RUST, NO RUST- not interested in project cars. Will consider cars with good body needing paint. Send pics if possible. Gary; mymoggie@optonline.net, 845-986-4279

FOR SALE: I have a 1980 TR7 in the shop that is for sale. It is a really (very) solid car with 40,000 miles. A nice original unmolested Triumph. Small blister right front fender, SOLID pan. Here is the rub, it has been sitting for 15 years (inside and warm) and has motor issues with anti freeze in the oil (ugggggg) But can be had for \$2000 ish, again it is very solid. Carmine with beige tartan interior. Can be seen at Daryl W. Wagner Automotive Artistry, 10000 Aurora Hudson Road, Hudson, Ohio 44236, 330-554-4333.

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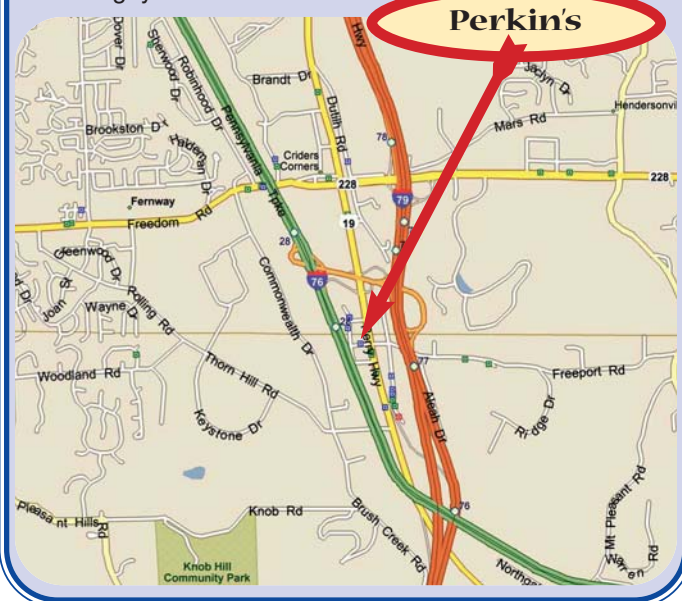
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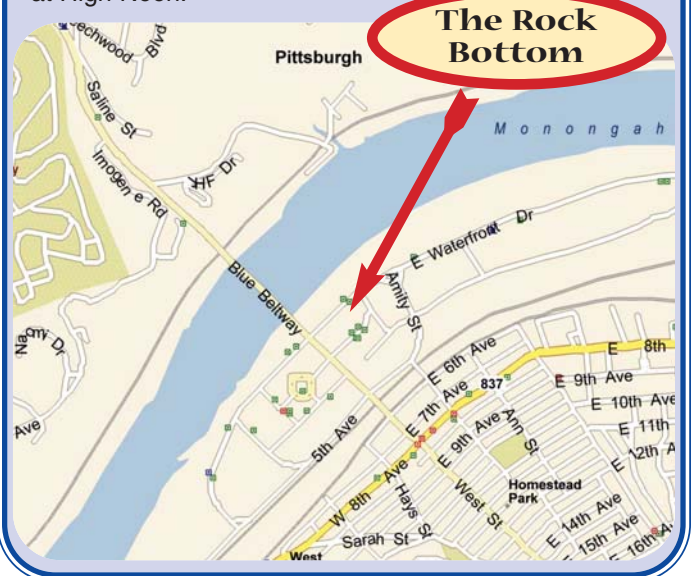
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Larry's Brew Tour

Photos by Larry Ross

