



TRIUMPHS & TRIBULATIONS



Photos Credit: Carol T, Bill C and staff

PARADE-COVID
Inter-marque drive to a senior home. They seemed to like us...thanks Leiney for organizing.

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About Minnesota Triumphs Car Club

Minnesota Triumphs formed in 1981 when a group of Triumph enthusiasts met for an afternoon of fun and conversation at Fort Snelling Park.

Since then, the club has grown to more than 150 members from throughout the Midwest.

Our activities include:

- Monthly meetings
- Social gatherings
- Tech sessions
- Road rallies
- Regional and national events

We welcome all Triumph enthusiasts, whether you own a concours winning showpiece, are restoring a diamond in the rough, are searching for just the right addition to your garage

or just appreciate the marque.

Together we can locate those hard-to-find parts and assist one another in keeping our vehicles on the road. But most of all, the club offers opportunities to explore some of the best roads in the region with others who enjoy the Triumph experience.

Monthly Meetings

Membership meetings are the **SECOND THURSDAY** of the month January through October. Meetings begin at 7:00pm **Our July 9th meeting will be held at the Crooked Pint Ale House. The address is 1734 Adolphus St., Maplewood, Mn 55117. It's the northwest corner of I-35E and Larpenteur Ave.** For membership information visit our website at www.mntriumphs.org

Minnesota Triumphs is a charter member of the Vintage Triumph Register (VTR).

For VTR Membership information visit www.vtr.org



PREZ RELEASE

Well here we are into July already but because of the Covid 19 pandemic there is not much going on.

By the time this is printed we will have had a Saturday cruise around the parking lot of St Andrews Senior Living Facility in Mahtomedi , so the residents can view our cars then off to St Croix Falls Winery to a car show. Other than that, things have been slow. That is probably OK as we are all trying to be safe.



We did have a meeting at the Crooked Pint in St Paul just off 35E and Larpenteur. Our normal meeting place, 56 Brewing, would have had to charge us for the room to comply with the current regulations so we tried something else.

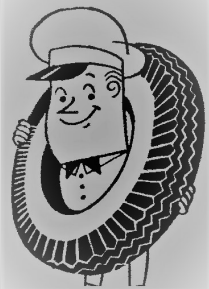
When we were looking last fall, we checked out the Crooked Pint, nice place but again a charge for the room and restrictions on food. This time under new management they did not charge for the room and there was menu order for food. Because of this we set up a committee, 2 volunteers, Dick Lieghninger and Jon Meir, to search out a different location. If you have any Ideas, please let them know. Remember If you do not volunteer to help you are not allowed to complain about the choice. At least not to Dick and Jon.

Road America is open and running so a few of the club members are going there the end of July. Steve Shogren and I are taking my camper and have a site track side in the infield. We will also bring our bicycles to get around the track. Not real cheap but should be fun.

That is it for now. Stay safe and healthy.

Roger Kraemer

President



Minnesota Triumphs Tech

Specialists

As a service to fellow members, club members with an expertise in a particular model of Triumph have volunteered to act as tech specialists for that model. They don't know everything but they do know a lot. So, if you have a question, give them a call.

TR2/3/3A/3B -

TR4 - John Myers (507-633-2017)

TR4A - Larry Sanderson (507-775-6940)

TR250/TR6 - Orrin McGill (763-755-7765)

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TR8 - Greg Gelhar (763-424-6434)

Spitfire - Bill Gingerich (612-850-4072)

GT6 - Pat McFarland (763-427-5612)

PLEASE NOTE!

Updates on events:

IOLA Car Show & Swap - July 9 - 11 - has been **cancelled**.

VTR National Convention 2020 - August 31 - September 4 has been **cancelled**.

Weekly Intermarque Breakfast - currently meeting at Silverwood Park - corner of Silver Lake Road and County Road E in St. Anthony. Meet about 9:30am - bring a lawn chair, coffee, and food.

Minnesota Triumphs Meeting Minutes June, 2020

It was a gorgeous evening to be out and about in Minnesota. 28 members made it to the June meeting. The first since the Covid-19 epidemic started in March. Current restriction on get togethers required a different meeting location and Crooked Pint Ale House & Event Center in Maplewood was used. Joshlin our hostess made us all feel welcome and overall I think the meeting went well.



The meeting started at 7pm and by 7:20 it was over. With the weather so nice it was pay the bill and get outside. I think the outside socializing lasted until 9.

During the brief meeting it was announced that tech sessions will begin again and that we have 172 voting members about the same as last year.

A group is being formed to look at possible meeting locations, submit your suggestions to Chip Lederer at lederer@somtel.net (editor's note; please contact Dick Leighninger at imsplashcaf@yahoo.com)

Outside lots of talk of "covid projects" and bad hair, but we need pictures and descriptions of hair or Triumphs for our newsletter so I won't go into who's done what. I twice put henna in Marsha's hair but to maintain marital bliss, I have no photo to share.

The Minnesota Triumph Sports Car Club is the most optimistic group of people I know, who else would drive around 50-60 year old cars.

It was nice to see the gang again.

Patrick Holt
Mpls. MN.

Season of Tolerance

No matter what side of the aisle you rest, you are cringing right now at the site of the word. I realize these pages are supposed to be void of any political rhetoric and I intend to keep it that way.

Pre-pandemic we all had the freedom to roam the countryside at will. There were times I would visit 3 or 4 auto parts stores in one day looking for a screw with the correct head or the right oil for our LBC's with the correct amount of ZDDP. Now I wait till the parts list is 5 or more to venture out and then I only go to my local NAPA that is normally void of customers. I used to go to the grocery store 3 times a week to get something nummy to cook up for supper, now I go maybe every 10 days. My wife used go to exercise several times a week in the morning, leaving me to my coffee in complete peace, now she goes down stairs and blasts a live stream of a Jane Fonda wanabe belting the tunes and barking orders. We are now stuck in our home together with nowhere to run.

Before COVID, I had many foibles my wife had to put up with! Now with more time to fill with drivel I have added to the list. Watching YouTube videos on repairing cars can pass many an hour. My favorites being Trev's Blog, a Brit that is a master on Panel beating and making his own tools to do so. The Eastwood tool tutorials are good as well. There are also a myriad of crazy truck videos. Trucks on treacherous mountain roads or getting really stuck, or hauling giant loads or..... well you get the idea.

This all calls for an extra dose of tolerance, sometimes which I am in short supply of! So be patient, be kind. The person you wrong today may be the person you ask to set something right for you tomorrow!

Greg



Are you connected to the group? Do you get in on the latest information?

We have an e-mail site you can easily join. It is Minnesota Triumphs Yahoo mail.

Simply send an e-mail to: mntriumphsgroup-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

You don't have to ask for anything, they will see your e-mail address and take it from there.

June Club Meeting Pics & Plans for Upcoming Meetings

JULY MEETING LOCATION

For our July 9 meeting, we will meet again at the Crooked Pint restaurant. The site committee is preparing a list of other locations to scout, and fixing the July meeting will give us more time. I will soon list the members of the site committee, our list of requirements, and ask for suggestions for venues to explore. The address is 1734 Adolphus St., Maplewood, Mn 55117. It's the northwest corner of I-35E and Larpenteur Ave.

Dick Leighninger



PARADE - COVID



June 20 we participated in the Inter-Marque drive to a senior home in Mahtomedi. It was a great turnout.



Chateau Winery Car Show

Several people attended the Chateau St. Croix Winery Car Show on June 20th.

Thanks to Pat Holt for these pics.





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TRIUMPH TRADER

Tonneau Cover

Tonneau Cover for sale. Slightly used but excellent condition. Black with headrest pockets. Moss lists them at \$349.99. I am asking \$150.00 . Larry Berg

lsbergdtm@gmail.com

1980 TR7 Coupe

car located near Prairie Du Sac, Wisconsin \$2500 Contact: Doug Burch 763-780-4706

TR6 Transmission. \$468.34

Rebuilt with new bearings, seals, countershaft and clutch release shaft bearings. Receipts total \$168.34. The gears and synchro's are in great shape. This is a non-overdrive transmission from a 76 TR6.

LSBERGDTM@gmail.com

For Sale: 1974 TR6 \$2500 OBO

Rust in floors. Mix of steel and FG panels

No overdrive. Last registered 1995

Parts or project. Clear title

Glen Wilson 651-707-2507



WANTED

I need a Tachometer drive gear for a TR6 Lucas distributor. This could be from a Lucas, or I am told that the drive gear from a Delco unit from a Spitfire or GT6 would work. Larry Berg, Please call (763) 228-0072 or email lsbergdtm@gmail.com

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EVENTS CALENDAR

DUE TO THE RECENT CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK MANY EVENTS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED. ITEMS OFFICIALLY CANCELLED ARE CROSSED OUT.

July

9 Club meeting - at Crooked Pint

~~9-11 Iola Car Show & Swap - Iola WI~~

~~<https://www.iolaoldcarshow.com>~~

25 Stockholm Pie Run hosted by Bill Connell

26 Intermarque picnic, Cherokee Park

August

09 New London to New Brighton Antique Car Run

~~<http://www.antiquecarrun.org/>~~

30-Intermarque picnic, Cherokee Park

~~31-Sept. 4 North American Triumph Challenge in Galena, IL, sponsored by Illinois Sports Owner Association (ISOA)~~

~~<https://www.vtr2020.org>~~

September

10 Club meeting

10 - 12 Brits in the Ozarks Car Show & Tours, Joe Bisanz and Orrin McGill leading the trip

25 Waumandee Hillclimb

27 Intermarque picnic, Cherokee Park

October

08 Club meeting Annual elections

Please see the events page on MN Triumphs website for more information about our different events and a google calendar with the events for the year.

~~<http://www.mntriumphs.org/events.shtm>~~

Every Saturday 8 am: Intermarque Breakfast at The 400 Tavern - 1300 Industrial Blvd. in Minneapolis - corner of Industrial Blvd and I35 W. Casual breakfast with other auto enthusiasts.

A Look In The Rear View Mirror (adapted from Greg Gelhar)

Submitted by Bill Nelson - Historian



5 years ago, July 2015.

Hopefully everyone had a good month????????????????????????????????????

There never was any newsletter.

10 years ago, July 2010.

The newsletter had an article about how to request "VTR Sanctioned Event" status.

The club had a tour of Crystal Cave in spring Valley, Wis.

Rendezvous 2010 in Thunder Bay occurred.

Minnesota Triumphs Officers History

Bill Nelson - historian



	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
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INTERMARQUE LIAISON	Pat Holt	Dennis Cavallo	Cavallo, Holt	Cavallo, Holt	Pat Holt
DUES	\$25, \$35	\$25, \$35	\$25, \$35	\$25, \$35	\$25, \$35

Regalia Notes

A wide range of regalia and logo designs is available for Minnesota Triumphs members through the WildThreads Etsy site: <https://www.etsy.com/shop/MNTriumphsStore>

Wearing club regalia is fun and a great way to promote awareness about our club and Triumphs!

When ordering it is best to use the following guidelines for a smooth ordering process.

- **Place your order via the link on the Minnesota Triumphs Web site to the WildThreads Etsy site.** Only email Suzanne directly if you have a question about an item, but if you're going to order an item that is listed on the Esty Web site it's generally better to order it through the site. (The exception to this is if you're working with Suzanne on an item that is not listed on the Etsy site and/or you have a special/custom request).
- Be sure ALL information is entered when you place an order, including any size, color, logo options, shipping information, etc., plus your payment information.
- From the WildThreads side, Suzanne has promised she will ship orders within ten business days after they have been received.

NEW FOR 2020...Suzanne is now offering a full-size logo option for the Minnesota Triumph Club logo that can be applied to the back of the clothing options!

Questions? Contact Glenn Anderson

New Website Launch - Bill Connell

The new MN Triumphs club website is live! You can see the new site at the same URL: <https://www.mntriumphs.org>

The new site features an updated design, expanded maintenance resources (based on the list that Chip worked on last year), and a new way to feature member car photos, along with all of the great content we've built up over the years.

Thanks to everyone who sent early feedback on the site, I've incorporated a lot of great ideas from members. A few members mentioned wanting more photos and pages about member cars, and we have an easy way to add those now. If you want to have your car featured on the site, send the story about your car and a photo or two, and i'll add it. Or, just send a photo and it can be in the rotating photos on the home page.

Please email your car photos and stories webmaster@mntriumphs.org, or if you see anything missing, not working right, or if you have other ideas for new things to add.

Scan the QR code to go to the website:



The Minnesota Triumphs Club is dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of the Triumph Marque. It was formed in 1981 and is a charter member of the Vintage Triumph Register. Correspondence can be addressed to:

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