

The Triumph Herald

January 2017

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIUMPH CLUB



Thanks to Mark Bosler and
Gordon Kenney for the photos

December 17th was snowy and icy cold, but it did not stop our hearty Triumph club members from attending our 2016 Christmas party/banquet. A wonderful hot dinner of baked turkey and prime rib roast plus a great selection of appetizers, sides dishes and desserts warmed everyone up. A special thank you to Sharon for bringing the Christmas tree!

After dinner, we did the recognition of the 2016 board members that were departing: Mike Mcquire, Janet Cline, Liz Reed and Patrick Huckels and the new 2017 board members: Terry Hughes, Arlene Bosh and Kitty Janiesch. Member of the year Mark Bosler was recognized, along with other certificates of recognition by our Prime Minister. We then did our gift exchange which turned out to be a really great time. Lots of gifts were stolen back and forth including a bottle of Celtic Honey liquor which was stolen from Dave Bosh by Brad Reed but what Brad did not know was Dave replaced the bottle in the box with a bottle of half and half. It created a roar of laughter when Brad realized what happened.

It was a wonderful evening. Thank you so very much for everyone that pitched in to help clean up, it was very much appreciated. Happy Holidays to everyone and Happy New Year. Arlene Bosh

REMINDER TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS: please submit your event proposals to Jeff Otto at Otto1@comcast.net. This is the way to get your event entered onto the club's calendar, and ALERTS sent to all club members notifying them of your event. All events must be in writing- no verbal event proposals please. If you have an impromptu event, let Andrej Galins and me know so ALERTS can be sent out. Remember, it's your sponsored events that make this club exciting!

A new award has been added to the club. The Crutch Award. This award is presented to whomever's Triumph breaks down while coming to, during, or going home from any club function and receives assistance by other club members. You will see it hanging in the meeting room at Piccolos. Keep up your car's maintenance or you may end up with your name on it...

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Board Meetings are held on the 1st Monday evening of each month at The New York Deli News, located at 7105 East Hampden Ave. in Denver. Dinner at 6pm, meeting begins at 7pm; all members are welcome.

Musings from the Gavel

Believe it or not, 2017 is here and so is the start of a new year for the RMTC! First, I'd like to thank the 2016 Board for all their work on behalf of the club. Next - a huge thanks to Dave and Arlene Bosh for all their work on the Christmas party, from planning to cooking and beyond!

We have 3 new members on the Board this year: Terry Hughes - Vice-Prime Minister, Kitty Janiesch - Membership, and Arlene Bosh - Minister of Letters. Along with those of us returning from last year, your Board is eager to make this a great year for driving your beloved British car. As always, we need our members input and help to make this happen. Please contact Jeff Otto or any Board member if there is a drive or an event that you would like to host. I would also like to remind everyone that we are in need of a Regalia Officer. Below is the job description as it is written in the Club's bylaws. Please contact me if you are willing to volunteer your time for the Club.

Section 7. *The Regalia officer shall make recommendations to the Board for the purchase of regalia items for resale to RMTC LLC members and non-members and obtain awards, trophies, and dash plaques for club events. He/She will also set up photos, pricing and all necessary info to sell regalia items on both the newsletter and website. The Regalia Officer will also conduct raffles at appropriate club meetings and events.*

I hope to see a lot of you at Piccolo's on January 17th for our first General Meeting of the year. As always, I'm happy to hear from you!

Debbie

debbie@rockymountaintr.org

January Birthdays

1/1	Michelle Galins
1/3	James Deak
1/5	Vivianne Huckels
1/5	Mike Jackley
1/5	Daniel Smith
1/6	Steve Girkins
1/8	Jean Oakley
1/9	Jacque Harjes
1/9	Ken Kalin
1/11	Andrew Janiesch
1/12	Karen Colman
1/13	Dave Heiliger
1/13	John Swearengin
1/13	Michael Yoas
1/14	Eileen Grover
1/15	Jill DeBow
1/16	Brent McGibbon
1/17	Hoyt Sutphin
1/17	Vic Vigo-Torres
1/18	Brooks Turner
1/20	Marla Otto
1/23	Tom Gray
1/24	Joan Grunzweig
1/26	Sharon Robinson
1/27	Patrick Harcourt



General Membership Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at Piccolo's restaurant. We begin gathering at 6pm for drinks and dinner and start the meeting at 7pm. We present a program and conclude with a raffle around 8:30. Piccolo's is located at 3562 S. Monaco Parkway (one block east of I-25 and one block south of Hampden). In June and December, the meeting is held elsewhere as part of some other club event.

The Rocky Mountain Triumph Club LLC is devoted to the use, preservation and enjoyment of Triumph automobiles and is a chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register. Most members are from the Denver area and adjoining states. We promote "family" memberships, welcoming spouses and children to all club activities.

**2017 RMTC ELECTED
BOARD MEMBERS**

**Prime Minister
Debbie Bosler**

**Vice Prime Minister
Terry Hughes**

**Minister of Letters
Arlene Bosh**

**Membership
Kitty Janiesch**

**Treasurer
Marla Otto**

**Events
Jeff Otto**

**Newsletter Editor
Eric Malewska**

Regalia OPEN

2017 EVENTS CALENDAR

JANUARY

09 BOARD MEETING
17 GENERAL MEETING

FEBRUARY

05 ICE RACES
10 DRIVE YOUR TRIUMPH
06 BOARD MEETING
21 GENERAL MEETING

MARCH

06 BOARD MEETING
21 GENERAL MEETING

APRIL

03 BOARD MEETING
18 GENERAL MEETING

MAY

01 BOARD MEETING
16 GENERAL MEETING
TBD RMTC CAR SHOW
TBD ST FRANCIS CAR SHOW
TBD SPRING TUNE UP

JUNE

05 BOARD MEETING
20 GENERAL MEETING
TBD GLENWOOD RALLY
TBD ACC CAR SHOW
TBD FATHER'S DAY PICNIC

JULY

TBD BOARD MEETING
18 GENERAL MEETING
TBD HIGHWAY CLEANUP
TBD POKER RUN RALLY

AUGUST

07 BOARD MEETING
15 GENERAL MEETING
TBD MT. EVANS DRIVE
21 SOLAR ECLIPSE DRIVE

SEPTEMBER

04 BOARD MEETING
19 GENERAL MEETING
TBD RIDE THE ROCKIES
TBD CONCLAVE

OCTOBER

02 BOARD MEETING
17 GENERAL MEETING

NOVEMBER

06 BOARD MEETING
21 GENERAL MEETING

DECEMBER

04 BOARD MEETING
TBD XMAS PARTY

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AND
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Ice racing at Georgetown Lake is a casual affair. Show up by 8am at the lake. The cost is \$35 to race for bare rubber tires, or free to watch. It's a lot of fun to practice your ice driving skills. You will need a pair of ice creepers for walking on the lake, and be sure to dress for the cold and wind. Depending on interest generated for this event will determine if and where we go for hot toddies. Also, Gordon is chairing an event to see the solar eclipse in Wyoming on August 21. He needs your RSVP ASAP to reserve seats. This is a once in a lifetime chance. Seating is limited. Contact Gordon Kenney for more information. Make this one of your priorities this year.

RMTC P&L DECEMBER 2016

Income:

Christmas party \$220.00
Membership \$173.26

Total Income \$393.26

Expenses:

Bank charge \$2.00
Christmas Party \$265.33
Directory \$63.76
Envelopes \$13.28
General Meeting \$15.99
Name tags \$29.61
Newsletters/stamps \$86.46
Silent Auction \$1.00

Total Expenses \$477.43

Loss for the month \$84.17

Month End Balance \$8028.35

CD Balance \$10782.14

JANUARY 2017

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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RMTC Board Meeting

December 5, 2016

Present: Debbie Bosler, Mark Bosler, Janet Cline, Mike McGuire, Jeff Otto, Marla Otto, Liz Reed, Eric Malewska, Patrick Huckels

Guests: Barb McGuire, Terry Hughes, Kitty and Andrew Janesch, Brad Reed

Debbie called the meeting to order at 6:55pm.

Board Reports:

Mike—crutch award is finished and it looks great! Eric to purchase the plaques and they will be put on the crutch at the Christmas Party/Banquet. Mike will purchase hooks and it will be displayed at Piccolo's. Few guidelines for the crutch award which will be announced at the upcoming party.

Marla - \$7,812.52 in the checking account. See newsletter for P&L statement.

Jeff – if you are planning an event, please send the information via email to Jeff for inclusion on the 2017 calendar. ALERTS can be sent out by Andrej; please copy him on the emails to Jeff. Impromptu drives can also be sent via ALERTS to everyone, just send an email to Andrej.

Janet – 123 member families. The 2017 RMTC Directory is finished and will be handed out at the Christmas Party/Banquet.

Mark – January newsletters will be mailed after January 9th as Mark will be out of town. He will purchase 6 months or so of "Forever" stamps as the price is going up on January 1, 2017. Mailing of the newsletters will be revisited by the incoming board.

Patrick –found 3 RMTC jackets, these will be used for a "Special" raffle during the Christmas Party/Banquet.

Eric – please get him all items for the newsletter by the 3rd week of each month.

Debbie read an email from **Andrej**. He would like to be the RMTC annual car show chairman for 2017. He would put together a team of volunteers and begin working on location, date, etc in early 2017. The incoming board will discuss with Andrej in more detail at the January board meeting.

Christmas Party/Banquet – Dave and Arlene Bosh are coordinating all logistics for the party. Cost will be \$5 per person at the door. Marla to bring change and Debbie will ask Sharon if Emily would like to be the cashier that evening, if she is attending. Roughly 30 people have signed up to attend by today. Patrick to bring raffle tickets for the Don Joy Quilt and for the 3 RMTC jackets. Hand written numbers will be passed out to everyone who is participating in the gift exchange. Debbie has purchased tablecloths, plates and plastic wear.

NOTE DATE CHANGE - The January board meeting will be on **Monday January 9th** at NY Deli News.

Debbie had an email from **Gordon** regarding a driving trip to Nebraska for the summer eclipse in August 2017. Incoming board to discuss with Gordon at an upcoming board meeting.

Critique of 2016 Board:

- Thought it would be helpful to have Andrej attend more meetings during the year
- Eric would appreciate timely reviews of the monthly newsletter drafts from the board. Very helpful in spotting errors in the newsletters
- Cost of printing newsletters worth it to have hard copies at various businesses; sets the RMTC above other clubs
- Send more advance notices for general meetings, especially if there is a guest speaker. Send out more ALERTS prior to the meetings
- Use the ALERTS for all events and send multiple times

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Reed

Minister of Letters

Rebuilding the Triumph TR Transmission and Overdrive

Reproduced from their website at greencountrytriumphs.org



The Greasy Hands Garage Guide to Rebuilding the Triumph TR Transmission Part 2 – Reassembly Putting it Together



RMJC Total Solar Eclipse Tour of Aug. 21, 2017

A “once in a lifetime opportunity” !

Most of us have never seen a “total” eclipse of the sun! We all have seen “partial” eclipses but they are not much to see the sky gets a little darker and if you carefully look at the sun you can see that a “bite” has been taken out of it.

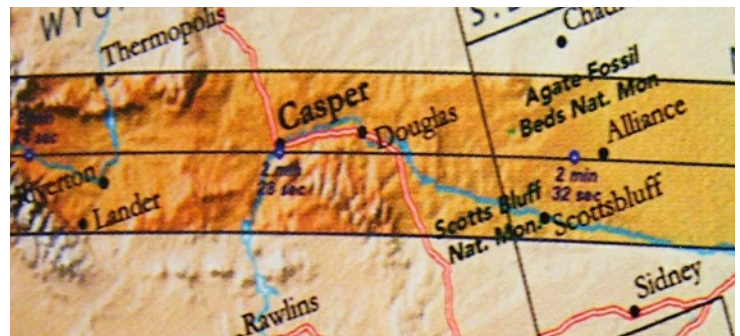
But a “total eclipse” is as different as night is to day. At the moment of total eclipse the sky darkens like a moonlight night, the corona around the sun shines, the stars and planets become visible and the air cools as the shadow of the moon races across the country at 2000 miles per hour. It is then safe to look directly at the sun. Special effects like the “diamond ring” and “Baily’s Beads” appear as the sun streams through mountain valleys of the moon. After 2 ½ minutes of totality the sun again emerges from behind the moon and a fading partial eclipse bring the sun back in about 90 minutes. The last time one was visible in Denver was in 1918 and the next one won’t be here until the year 2293. Google “eclipse 2017” for much more information.

On August 21, 2017, at 11:44 AM, there will be a total eclipse crossing central WY and we are going to go see it on a chartered bus. *Sirius Travel* is providing the tour service which will leave Denver at 6 AM Monday the 21st with a luxury 50 passenger bus (WiFi and bathroom). It will take us to a ranch south of Douglas, WY near the center of the 75 mile diameter eclipse path which is moving East at 1,934 mph; totality will last for 2 1/2 minutes. A picnic lunch and eclipse viewing glasses will be provided and we will be there for 3 to 4 hours before returning to Denver at 5 PM.

The eclipse path across the US



The eclipse path in WY and NE



Make plans now to join us on the bus tour. Although the “group name” is RMJC (Jaguar Club) we are welcoming all who want to join us and membership in the club is NOT necessary. It would be great to get the whole 50 passenger bus filled with friends and acquaintances. But you must register with Sirius Travel (see below) and pay them directly. You could drive the 400 mile trip yourself but you will have more fun with us.

The tour will likely sell out by the end of Jan. so make reservations early.

Tour Registration: The cost is \$200 per person and each person needs to register and pay the Tour company directly. Go to their web page at “siriustravel.com” and find the “2017 Day Trip from Denver” (3038865641). Several people can be included on one registration. Where it asks for “group” select “RMJC” to ensure that we will all be on the same bus (they will be running 17 buses). A full refund is available up to May 1st. Note this registration is between you and the Sirius tour company and the RMJC itself is not directly involved.

This event is being planned by RMJC members Bill Beeson (3036998705, bbeeson01@msn.com) and Gordon Kenney (3037667826, gkenney22@gmail.com); contact either for more details.

LED for your SIX

by Andrej Galins

I enjoy working on my Six when there is an opportunity to make an item better than original. I had just completed the rewiring on my Six and started to test things to see how they functioned. Once my gauge illumination lights were illuminated, I found them to be dim. In addition to the dim lights, my bulb-holders were in a sad state of affairs. My bulb-holders had a ground wire holding on by a wish. I wanted to fix/update this problem. Mind you, along with my new wires, I had cleaned, painted every gauge and replaced the bulbs to provide my gauges with the best possible outcome. Unfortunately, there still was this 'classic' dullness to the lights and I was not happy. Even after cleaning my stock rheostat I could not get the gauge lights to be as bright as I wanted. I decided to do research on-line. During my search I came across trippstr6.blogspot.com, there I found that this project, sans the LED bulbs, was documented; http://trippstr6.blogspot.com/2013_07_01_archive.html. I wanted a solution that improved on my metal bulb-holders and the interior lighting dynamics. I placed an order to BritishWiring.com for the following: 6 Push-in Bulb-holders to fit 1/2" tube (C614), 8 Clip-in Bulb-holders to fit 5/8" hole (C612), these all came with traditional push-in bulbs (LLB504). Again, this was only for my gauge illumination, not for my idiot lights or jewel indicators. I then went to SuperBrightLeds.com to find Green and White push-in bulbs that would be a direct fit for the LLB504 bulb. Once I figured out what I wanted to illuminate green and where I wanted white light I ordered: 6 194-CW3HP Cool White Bulbs and 8 194-G3HP Green Bulbs. Once all the parts were in and on my workbench, I went to work. Building these is very simple and knowing you have dedicated grounds that are new and solid provided me with piece of mind. Having a tinning pot made it so much faster, plus I had all my electrical tools from my rewire job.



Here is the C614 with the clips and provided LLB504 bulb, the new LED 194-CW3HP shown to the left.



Here is the C614 wired with the push-in LED 194-G3HP bulb.



This is my original bulb-holder where my ground wire was only on by a single wire.



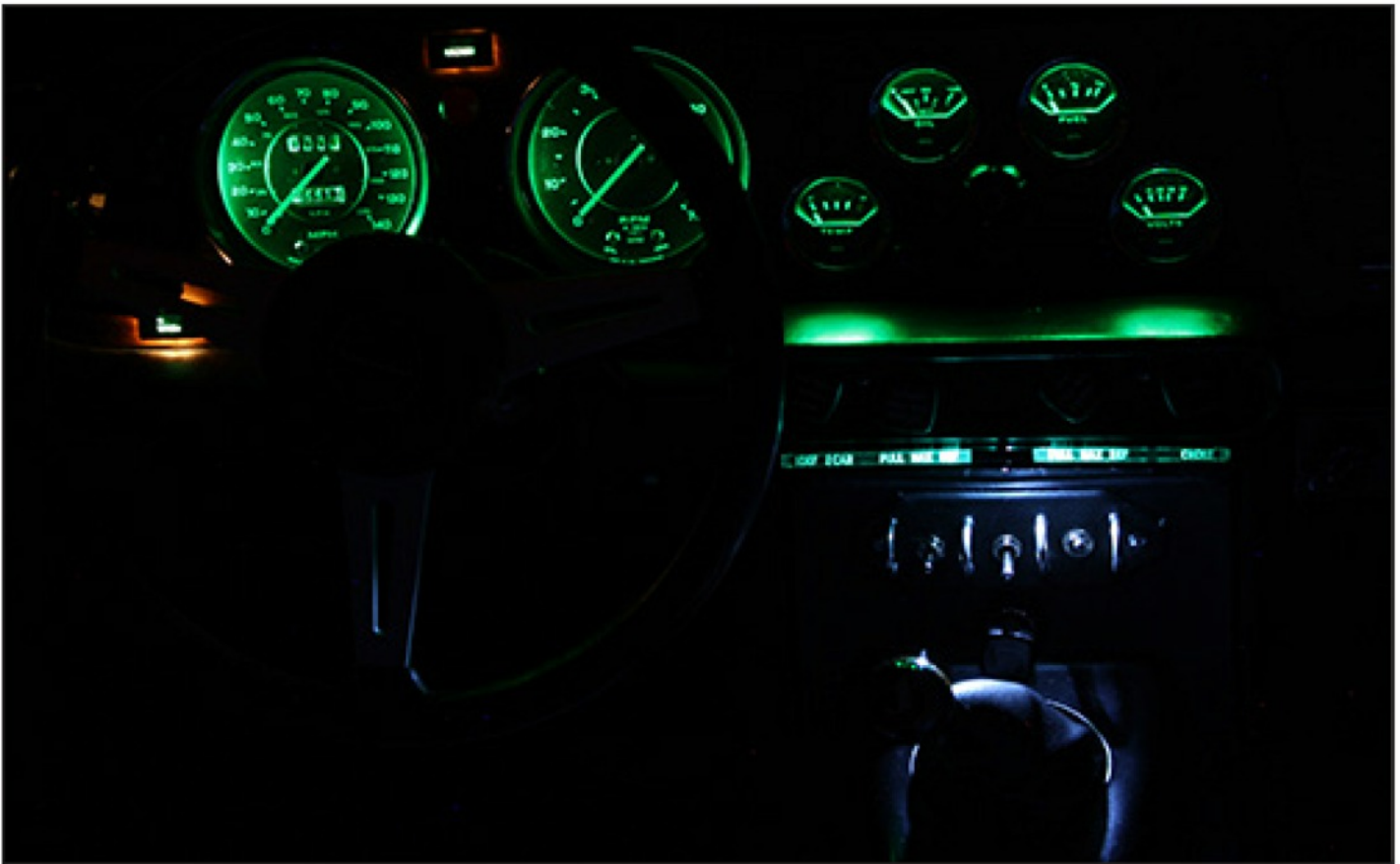
Both the C612 and C614 bulbholders



The back of the larger gauge with the C612's in place.



All four smaller gauges with the C614's in place wired to the 4-way spade connector for power.



Here is the final result. No LEDs for the Wipers,Hazard, Brakes or the jewel indicators.

I wanted a clean install so I also ordered 2 4-way Spade Connectors (C844) from BritishWiring.com, one for power and one for ground. My plinth light bulb-holder was shot, so I had an extra new C614 bulb-holder with a nice cool white LED and it works perfectly. I did not photograph that project but all I did was drill a 1/2" hole into my center console. I also used the same cool white LEDs for my foot-well and courtesy lights. Total cost for this job was \$145.00 and total time spent one weekend. The new gauge illumination lights are 100% dimmable from my original stock rheostat.

FOR SALE / WANTED

Free for members; Non-member ads are \$5/month.

Go to ROCKYMOUNTAINTR.ORG for details

FOR SALE:

TRIUMPH TR6 ORIGINAL PARTS:

Boot cover (black vinyl) - \$25
Front bumper (1974+ could use re-chroming) - \$50
Front number plate mount - chrome (1974-76) - \$125
Leather wrapped steering wheel - \$40
Rear bumper bezel/number plate light plinth (chrome) - \$100
AMCO luggage rack (one of the bars is bent but can easily be pulled out, chrome is in OK condition) - \$80
Wheel trim(vanity) rings (x3) - \$10 each
Hub trim with TR6 center caps (silver x4) - \$10 each
Smiths Tachometer (late model) - \$25
Fuel pump assembly & gasket MOPROD-SUPRA - \$25
Oil pump - \$50
Flotec 13 row oil cooling radiator and installation kit with spin on filter adapter and stainless braided hoses (brand new from Moss Motors) - \$375
Contact: Tim Lucas @ 720-883-4770

FOR SALE:

1976 Triumph TR6 - 39,000 original miles, new red line tires and spare, wheels have been sand blasted and painted, new brakes, new exhaust, Petronix solid state ignition, spin on oil filter, new fuel pump. No Rust, always garaged. On to a new project and need the room. Can be seen in Evergreen Colorado. Email me with any questions.
Asking Price \$16500 OBO.
wainfinke@gmail.com

FOR SALE:

TR6 parts for sale: Tach & speedo, 2 doors with glass, trunk lid, 2 rear fenders. Need to get rid of stuff. richjewett@earthlink.net
Rich Jewett @ #303-880-8726

FOR SALE:

Triumph TR7 TR8 Parts: Triumph TR7 UK Spec Dual SU Carbs, TR7 Weber Intake w/ Dellortos, Alloy Wheels, 5spd Transmissions, Rebuilt 5 Spd, Wiring Harnesses, Distributors, Coils, Starters, Dash Switches, New TR7 4 core radiator, New Black Vinyl Rimmer Bros Convertible Top, New black door panels, New black carpet, etc. If you don't see anything, feel free to ask. Call James 303-518-5285

FOR SALE:

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Have a nice day .

FOR SALE:

Hello, I have TR6 parts for sale in sound condition. Please send me an email if you are interested in pictures and prices. Please no junk email thanks. Have a nice day, Dave Candy
davecandy52@hotmail.com

FOR SALE:

1974 Triumph Spitfire. I have owned the car since 1984. in the time since, a lot has been done. It was painted in 1985. In the last year, I completely replaced the brakes, everything new. New tires, new upholstery, battery, gas tank, Weber carburetor. Many new engine parts, including an electric fan and radiator plus, overdrive from a 1980. New clutch, starter and related parts. No rust on car. Has been in a garage most of the time. Steel top needs to be restored. Need to sell - \$6995.
(www.nadaguides.com/ClassicCars/1974/TriumphSpitfire).
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FOR SALE:

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FOR SALE:

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Bud Rolofson 303-941-5302 or levilevi@comcast.net

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Ed May edfmay@gmail.com

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WANTED:

Need rebuild able power steering rack for TR-8
Louis Beard louisbeard@comcast.net

Five car hobby predictions for 2017

Hemmings Daily, Kurt Ernst on Dec 29th, 2016 at 8am

Thankfully, we've survived another trip around the sun, which means it's time once again for our annual gaze into the crystal ball, which smells suspiciously of carb cleaner (reminding us to use a fresh shop rag to wipe it down next year). For the year that was, Mr. Dickens summed it up best by saying, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness..."

Eighties cars will continue to grow in demand – and price. We'll score this in the "correct" column for demand, though prices certainly haven't begun to appreciate in a significant manner, Ferrari and air-cooled Porsche models excepted. A new generation of collectors is entering the hobby, and to many of them, it's the cars from the '80s that bring back memories of youth. It isn't likely that a Reagan-era Dodge Caravan will out-price a Volkswagen 21-window Samba bus any time soon, but we've learned to never say never.

Look for Japanese family cars from the 1960s-'80s to climb in value. This falls into the "neither correct nor incorrect" category. Prices are certainly up on well-preserved examples, but the same can be said for cars of the period originating in just about any country. If a car evokes memories of childhood, there's probably a market for it, and as demand outstrips supply, prices rise. In the case of Japanese family cars from the 1960s – '80s, this rise was neither as sudden nor as dramatic as we expected.

Demand for vintage hot rods will increase. Correct, with a caveat. Hot rods built to someone else's taste with radical paint, modern drivetrains and updated suspension remain a mixed bag, selling for impressive numbers only when the right buyer is found. On the other hand, period-correct cars built with bangers or flatheads enhanced with vintage speed parts are becoming more sought-after, which also translates to more expensive.

Expect an upswing in vintage motorcycle prices. Check. Not only have prices for prewar bikes risen, the number of auctions selling vintage iron have increased as well. Perhaps motorcycles, traditionally built in smaller numbers, are seen as a safer investment than collector cars, or perhaps buyers are simply yearning for a time when bikes were little more than two wheels, an engine, and a bit of chrome.

The glory days of the American V-8 are winding down. Not even close to correct on this, although it's hard to say what the future has in store. In 2016, at least, the V-8 was safe, and having spent time in both the new Shelby GT350 Mustang and the Dodge Challenger Hellcat, better than it's ever been. Armed with a big enough account balance, one can walk into a domestic car dealership and buy a V-8-powered pony car that puts down 707 horsepower, or one that revs to 8,200 RPM and still meets emissions numbers. If that's not proof that this is a great time to be alive, we don't know what is.

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Name: Rye Livingston
Email Address: RyeL@mac.com
Subject: Drive Your Triumph Day - February 10th

Message: Dear Fellow Triumph owner,

My name is Rye Livingston and I'm with the Triumph Travelers Sports Car Club in Northern California. A few years ago I encouraged the members of our club to drive their Triumph on February 10th, to celebrate Sir John Black's Birthday, the man who organized Standard's purchase of Triumph after the war, and went on to make the cars we enjoy driving today.

The concept is to go for a drive on a country road, to lunch, to the market, to work, where ever. Go for a drive alone, with a spouse, buddy, child, grandchild or their dog, maybe a few other Triumphs; then take a photo. The photo is mainly of the car, ideally in front a cool spot, landmark, in front of a market or hardware store. Then send me the photo with basic info: name and place photo was taken. The photos were published in our newsletter.

The first year half a dozen members participated. The second year a few more members participated. Last year I sent out the request to a Yahoo group across the United States, and about 30 Triumph owners sent me photos of their cars while out on a drive. Those in the northeast, who were snow bound with their cars tucked away under covers in their garage for the winter, were encouraged to go out and pose with their cars in the garage. I coordinated all the photos and sent them to The Vintage Triumph, and Mike Cook published multiple pages of photos taken on February 10th of Triumphs around the US, in the VTR magazine.

This year I want to make it a bigger Drive Your Triumph Day, so I'm emailing Triumph Clubs worldwide, encouraging you to ask your members to drive their Triumph on February 10th, take a photo, and send it to me. I will organize them and work with Mike Cook to get them published in The Vintage Triumph magazine along with our club newsletter. I've set up a special email address for your members to send me their photos: driveyourtriumphday@gmail.com. Please contact me with any questions you may have, and thank you in advance for getting the message out to your members to Drive Their Triumph on February 10th.

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