# The Triumph Herald November 2018

#### NEWSLETTER OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIUMPH CLUB

#### ===>> <u>NEWSFLASH !!</u> <<===

The RMTC board has received a request from the National Vintage Triumph Register about holding the national meeting in our region. The RMTC has acted as host club during previous 2001 and 2011 meetings. A brief web survey went out to the RMTC email distribution on October 25th to survey the degree of interest.

Over 100 Triumphs from all over the country have attended in the past. This is a great opportunity for us meet a lot of Triumph owners and see their cars. It has been great fun in the past, but not without some occasionally hard work by the Convention Committee. This is a case of many hands make light work.

As noted during the recent nominations for the 2019 board members, we have about 10% of the membership in continuous rotation to keep your club alive. This dedicated group will not host the VTR National Convention without the help of around ?10 more people to act as committee chairs and a backup chair. Committee Chairs should be RMTC members, however, any helpful enthusiastic cousins, parents, kids, neighbors, etc, would be welcome. They just need to commit to a year and a half of getting it done, sometimes fun, sometimes a pain in the rear.

The timeline for hosting these events is already compressed. Typically arrangements start about 3 years out. We have half of that time, inconvenient, but certainly do-able. So there is a short time for us to reply to the VTR. They need to look for host clubs in other areas if RMTC doesn't do it. Go / no go hard decision date is end of November or sooner.

The only show stopper is whether there are enough of us to make it happen. That is up to you! Please contact a board member ASAP (emails on page 2) if you are game to go!

Committee chairs would be somewhat like the following;

- -Negotiate a convention hotel, meeting room, banquet, and registration contact
- -Arrange an Autocross venue and course
- -Plan/lead a drive of some kind
- -Car show location and arrangements and judges
- -Convention website for communications and registrations



Special thanks to Ken & Vicki Kalin, who hosted the Fall Breakfast at their home on Oct 16th. Gordon & Shirley Kenney, Barb & Mike McGuire, Andrew & Kitty Janiesch, Terry & Marietta Hughes, and Andy De Visscher attended and enjoyed Ken's scrambled eggs and Terry's biscuits and gravy.



Photos
By Kitty
Janiesch
Thanx!

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From our correspondent in France, Jeff Heller; "When we arrived in the small town of St. Pol de Leon yesterday, we found 3 Triumph cars in front of our hotel. They came over from England for a week holiday. One of the guys, John, will email me a contact for his club...great fun. Cheers, Jeff [No oil spots? - Ed]

#### Rocky Mountain Triumph Club 2018 Board

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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.

#### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Marietta Hughes 11/3Rhonda Wendelken 11/3 ValerieEmmelhainz 11/6 Andy De Visscher 11/13 Mike Greenwood 11/16 Richard Martin 11/20 Eric Malewska 11/25 Kris Monday 11/29 Sue Pelzel 11/30

Birthday list provided by Minister of Membership -Kitty Janiesch



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 may present a program and conclude 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 another 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.

#### **RMTC EVENTS CALENDAR**

#### **NOVEMBER**

3 – WINE TASTING hosted by Mark & Debbie Bosler

#### **DECEMBER**

8 – CHRISTMAS PARTY @ THE ARBOR HOUSE hosted by Andrew & Kitty Janiesch

#### **2019 UPCOMING EVENTS**

RMTC Annual Chili Cook Off hosted by Nancey Vogel & Brooks Turner - date TBA

#### WINE TASTING, Saturday, November 3rd. 5:30 -?

Time to celebrate the grape harvest! This year's theme is Tuscany. Think Sangiovese grapes, Chianti and much more or feel free to bring the wine that you enjoy. Bring a bottle to share - we get to taste lots of different wines! If you aren't a fan of wine, bring your favorite adult beverage. Bring an appetizer if you wish. This is a casual, laid-back affair. We would love to have you join us - we always have a good time.

RSVP: 303-796-8170 or dbosler50@gmail.com

Mark and Debbie Bosler 1686 Marsh Hawk Circle Castle Rock, CO 80109

#### ANNUAL RMTC HOLIDAY PARTY DECEMBER 8th 5 P.M - 10 P.M.

Cost: \$10 per Person Location: The Arbor House 14600 W. 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Golden

Please join us! Appetizers will be served from 5 to 5:45 and dinner will follow. This year, you will have a choice of lasagna or stuffed shells served with a delicious salad & garlic knots! Please bring your favorite beverage of choice to enjoy. This year it is extremely important to **RSVP by Wed, Dec 5<sup>th</sup>!** Contact Kitty to let her know which option you prefer, lasagna or stuffed shells. She can be reached at 303.278.3273, or email her at <u>Kitty@rockymountaintr.org</u> or text/call 303.408.9103.

**Optional Activities:** For those who would like to participate in the annual Gift Exchange/stealing game, please bring a gift valued between \$15 - \$20 and label it for either a Male, Female or Both. RMTC will host another Holiday Cash Raffle. Members may purchase raffle tickets for their chance to win! All money collected from the ticket sales will be given out as prize money.

For members travelling from afar, there is the La Quinta Inn approximately 1 mile from the Arbor House at I-70 & 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Rooms run approximately \$99 per night, call (303) 279-5565 to book. Or there is the Denver Marriott West which is just 1 exit from I-70 & 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave located at 1717 Denver West Blvd, Golden. Room rates subject to change, call 303,279,9100 to book.



RMTC's **Ultimate Colorado Burger Hunt 2018** is finished for this year. Results and winners will be announced in a future *Herald*. Thanks to everyone who participated!

October Burger Hunters at right revving up their appetites.



#### **October Events Activity Reports**

#### 22nd Annual Oil Spot Ralley. Saturday October 6, hosted by the BMCNC, reported by Sharon Robinson

It was a MASH theme - there were some great costumes! We all got dog tags along with a goodie bag...nice! RMTC Participants included Andrew and Kitty, with Andrew's brother and sister-in-law from Rhode Island, Rod Tompkins, Richard Martin, Sharon Robonson, Ben Deason, Ted Ax and his son Adrian.

We met and drove up I-25 as a convoy to Loveland, getting lots of thumbs up from other traffic.

It was a bit chilly at the start of the rally, but there was a great route along country roads, with an ending at Oskar Blues Brewery in Longmont. There, we had lunch, beer, and lots of prizes. Well done BMCNC!



## given, repairs completed and donuts were devoured. Thanks

Bill for the wonderful hospitality and use of your lift and garage!

reported by Kitty Jainiesch



<== Bill got plenty of takers using his left to check-out their cars.





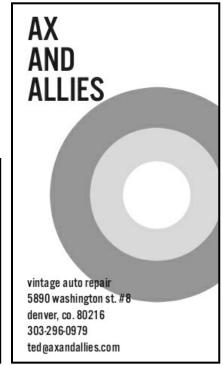


Important information about recent changes, and a related proposed clean-up bill, for emission requirements in the vehicle emissions testing counties;
House Bill HB 13-1071 Has been updated to require vehicles in Category B move to Category C <u>upon change of ownership if they are 1976 or newer</u>.
FYI The DR2839 Collector Item Affidavit form is easy to find on the web.

Collector Vehicle Emissions and Affidavit Requirements							
Category A	Category B	Category C					
Collector Vehicles 1975 or Older	Collector Vehicles 1976 or Newer (Registered before 9/1/09)	Collector Vehicles at least 32 Years old in the emissions program area	Collector Vehicles at least 32 Years old not in emissions program area				
No emission test required	lo emission test required No emission test required		No emission test required				
No Affidavit	No Affidavit	Affidavit Required (If in the emission program area)	No Affidavit				



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS, WE ALL NEED EACH OTHER! IF YOU ARE DOING BUSINESS WITH AN OUTFIT YOU LIKE, SEE IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO PLACE AN ADD. Detail on Category B to C change: Collector Vehicles 1976 or later that were registered prior to 9/1/09 may still be registerd as a Collector Vehicle, but will move to Category C. Emission test and form DR2839 required.









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#### BAOA RIO GRANDE VALLEY REGIONAL RENDEZVOUS, TAOS, NM

Mark Bosler, Rod Tomkins and Andrew Janiesch drove their TR6's to Taos, NM for the 2018 British Automobile Owner's Association Rio Grande Valley Regional Rendezvous. For added support, Debbie Bosler drove their 4Runner, with Kitty riding shotgun and acting as duty photographer.

The group pulled out of the Bosler's home early on Friday 9/28 with rain clouds threatening and the temp at 41°. The caravan took CO 105 to Monument, then I-25 to the Walsenburg exit. The clouds cleared and the sun came out, but the temps were still brisk. From Walsenburg the group headed west over LeVeta Pass. We stopped for lunch in Fort Garland, where coincidently, the manager of the café was a former Triumph owner, who was excited to see our group of Triumphs in the lot! From Fort Garland we headed south into New Mexico. We pulled into the historic Sage Brush Inn in Taos around 3:15 p.m.

The weekend consisted of meeting other British Car enthusiasts during the Friday night Happy Hour & Registration, a TSD Rallye, a non-driving funkhana at the Rio Grande Gorge, a car show, and banquet. We also enjoyed spending time with RMTC's newest members Curtis & Susanna Kitts from Albuquerque, NM. Congratulations to Mark Bosler, who placed 3rd overall in the concours judging of cars of in his category, and to Andrew Janiesch who took 1st place for his TR6 in the Popular vote.

After the Sunday morning breakfast banquet and awards ceremony, the Boslers had to race back on I-25 to prepare for their Tuesday flight to Europe. Rod, Andrew & Kitty meandered home via US 64 to US 285 through Antonito, Alamosa, past the Great Sand Dunes and over Poncho Pass and Kenosha Pass. Everyone made it home safely and on time. — reported by Kitty Janiesch



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#### **FOR SALE / WANTED**

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

Go to ROCKYMOUNTAINTR.ORG for details

#### FOR SALE;

**1960 Triumph TR-3A**, Total off frame restored. (photo album of step-by-step process) rack and pinion steering, five speed transmission, every thing in tip-top condition.. looks and runs like new. Always maintained by Sports Car Craftsmen. Asking Price **\$22,500** 

Norm Petersen

Contact; norm.lin@Hughes.net



#### WANTED;

Rust free frame and body shell for 1974 Spitfire. I began a ground-up restoration of mine and I now have not one but two complete basket case cars - both frames and shells are really beyond restoration and I'd like to complete my project with a good foundation. Please help! Willing to travel to pick up.

Christopher Mutty, 716-392-6931

Email: cmutty@buffalo.edu

#### FOR SALE:

Rare 1970 Triumph TR-6 hard top convertible. \$3,000. Wire wheels, newer tires; engine and transmission rebuilt in 1995. Body in decent condition- some rust and old hail damage. Original factory paint, original steering wheel, interior gauges, wood dash, and upholstery. Garaged for past 17 years; not currently running. A great restoration project for a TR lover. Owned by seller since 1976.

Dana Shea-Reid danashea@comcast.net 720-244-7825









SIGN UP FOR THE CLUB MEMBERSHIP AT: ROCKY MOUNTAINTR.ORG MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE \$35 PER YEAR W/NEWSLETTER IN EMAIL ONLY FORMAT; \$50 PER YEAR WITH PAPER COPY MAILED TO YOUR ADDRESS

#### The Vintage Triumph Register (VTR)



Club members are encouraged to join the VTR: Benefits Include:

- Receive the bi-monthly Magazine, "The Vintage Triumph"
  - Free Classified ads
  - Access to VTR's staff of Technical Consultants
    - Discounts on Vintage Car Insurance
      - VTR Regalia
    - Participation in National Conventions
       by sending \$35,00 to:

Join by sending \$35.00 to:

The Vintage Triumph Register, PO Box 655, Howell, MI 48844 or at www.vtr.org

#### Sports Car Craftsman 20th Anniversary Open House September 29th

In September, Paul Dierschow announced the 20th anniversary open house of his Sports Car Craftsman shop. He has been there on Kendall Street for 12 years now, and was at a previous location for 8 years. I chatted a few minutes with Paul while hanging out during his open house. It was great fun BS'ing with lots of LBC people there, and exploring the parts yard, storage containers, and the various parts of his business operations.

I asked Paul how he got into the business, and here is what I remember of what he said. Paul was an Engineering major at CU early in the 1970's. His brother-in-law had a clapped out MGA with problems. Paul tinkered with it, just out of technical interest and a challenge. During that, Paul found it would be handy to have a parts car, and ended up to have about 9 of them within a year or so. By the time he finished his Civil Engineering degree, he had about 50 cars.

As much as he liked Civil Engineering, and the possible opportunity to work on the Eisenhower Tunnel Project, he decided to open a shop in far east Boulder. Within several years of that, he moved his business to the Denver area. He still misses the engineering practice, but he is 46 years into the LBC life, and has about 3 more years before he will retire out of day-to-day wrenching. It is time to spend more time with the family, and whatever else he feels like doing that day. He has a son and grandkids in Australia, who he visits from time to time, so there could be more of that. In any event, it will be the end of a full-time presence and skill that has been a tremendous resource for keeping our cars on the road. Below, Ned Avery, James De Bartolomeis, and Andy De Visscher were among the visitors.



#### NEW MEMBER CORNER, Meet Rick Vandenberg, reported by Mark Bosler



- 1. How did you get interested in cars
  My Grandfather restored classic cars
- 2. What were some of your favorite cars you owned '72 560hp Custom TR6, 2017 LTZ Z71 Silverado. 2017 Subaru WRX STI, 77 Datsun Pickup, 1976 505hp MGB
- 3. What was your first Triumph 1972 560hp Custom TR6
- 4. How did you find the Rocky Mountain Triumph Club Colorado English Motoring Conclave.

#### Rick jumped right into participating with the club, he was the featured speaker at our 10/16/18 Meeing.

RMTC Member Rick Vandenberg showed photos and gave us the story of building his highly customized V8 TR6. Rick's grandfather had metal shop where Rick started helping when he was 14. Rick wanted a V8 MG, so he and his grandfather built one. They built the car around a 500 HP V8. Since the stock MG unit body chassis wouldn't be safe with the needed modifications, and the powerful engine, they build a tubular chassis to fit the MG body.



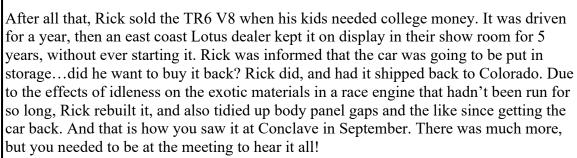
Fast forward many years, when Rick is now an Ironworker with numerous welding certifications, who builds critical structures, such as helicopter landing pads on top of buildings, to meet various safety criteria. He heard about a 1972 TR6 hulk that was headed to the crusher that day. He rushed over to see the guy who had the car, just beating the truck from the crusher outfit. Rick rescues the TR6 for \$350 delivered, about the same price as the crusher was paying.

Once the TR6 hulk is delivered to Rick's house, he asked Paul Dierschow over for an opinion on what it would take to save the car. Paul said it was too far gone. Being a skilled ironworker and welder, Rick decided to reuse what body parts he could, and build another 500 HP V8 LBC. He bought a salvage TR6 chassis from Paul, and made major modifications for it to safely handle 500+ HP from a race-prepared small-block Chevy engine, bored to 405 ci. Due to the chassis modifications required for the engine and driveline, and the advanced deterioration of the TR6 body panels, Rick spent about 4,000 hours hand-



forming body parts using wood forms and blacksmithing techniques. This was in addition to the 1,500 hours engineering and modifying a TR6 chassis that would be safe and handle over 500 HP.

Other modifications included using a Toyota Tundra brake master cylinder, and front spindles from a 1996 Chevy Van, along with numerous other mods to make a safe and fast car. So how fast is it? 0 to 60 in 2.9 seconds, a 10.4 second quarter mile, the car is about 4lb / HP. It also corners reasonably well considering. With 16" back tires, Rick is able to get that power to the street, so stop-light grand prix is no contest and no drama required. Hellcats and the like are still in burn-out mode when Rick has leveled out after hitting the 45 MPH speed limit..."nothing to prove by going faster" as Rick puts it. He has had the car to 150 MPH on a closed course, still in 3rd gear!







## The Jabbeke TR2 World speed record breaking prototype car -By David Durstine, sourced from links provided by Patrick Huckels

What struck me about this 1953 TR2 is how ordinary it is in terms of performance modifications. The engine bay looks stock. Other than the fairing underneath and the cockpit shroud, this could be a stock TR2. Amazing that it was a land speed record car in its time. I have pasted some background information below from the web.

'Modern Land Speed Records tend to be marked by four-figure target speeds and toiling teams of race and aerospace engineers, but it wasn't always so. At one time the production 2.0-litre sports-car record was held by this car, MVC 575, an achingly modest Triumph TR2. In May 1953, this 2.0-litre machine achieved a class record of 124.899 mph at the Jabbeke highway in Belgium. Yet the car has no issues during normal driving around town, like any TR2.

"Back then, Jabbeke was a bit like the Nürburgring's Nordschleife is for today's hot-hatchback makers in terms of setting records. On that early motorway-graded road (with no barrier to separate record-breakers from normal traffic), in front of great-coated timing experts from the Royal Automobile Club Of Belgium, plus Brilliantined TV crews and a suited-and-booted press corps, Ken Richardson, a skilled engineer and plucky test driver, sitting on a cushion and crouched behind a tiny aero screen, coaxed out a new speed record. This was almost two months before production of the TR2 began at Canley in the West Midlands and the car's only modifications were the optional undershield, rearwing spats and a potentially lethal metal cockpit cover. The car had no seatbelts, stock drum brakes, and Excelsior crossply tyres,...!!! In the 2018 contest held by Octane Magazine, which is devoted to auto restoration, the Jabbeke car won restored car of the year out of a field of six cars.

















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#### RMTC BOARD MEETING, MONDAY OCTOBER 16, 2018

Present: Terry Hughes, David Bosh, Arlene Bosh, David Durstine, Kitty Janiesch, Andrew Janiesch

Guest: Marietta Hughes, Rick Vandenberg

Meeting called to order at 5:35 p.m.

#### **BOARD REPORTS:**

**Kitty** – There were 2 separate deposits for membership. \$160.00 and \$415.00. (For Brad) 11 membership renewals. Membership is at 114. Sent our 3 letters and only 1 member is not renewing.

**Dave B** – Recapped orders. There is 1 for Eric Malewska and 1 for Bill Gillespie.

**Andrew** - Events: Oil Spot Rally had a low turnout. Rod Tompkins, Sharon Robinson, Kitty Janiesch, Andrew Janiesch, Richard Martin and Ben Deason. There was a MASH theme. Ted Ax and his son Adrian were also in attendance. Fall Shutdown is 10/20 at the home of Bill Gillespie. 11/3-Wine tasting at the Bosler's with a Tuscany theme. Christmas party at the Arbor House is coming up December 8th at the Arbor House and a planning committee is needed. The last Burger Hunt will be at Juicy Burger in Centennial on October 27th.

**David D-** expressed his appreciation for all the photos he has received for the newsletter and for our members to continue the good work.

**Arlene** – Winner of Member of the Year is becoming apparent and will be given to Terry shortly.

**Terry** – discussed the newsletter. If any member says that they are not receiving by email and the email has been verified by the member and Andrej, Andrej can confirm if it went through. Issues with the Kalins have been confirmed. Configuration on email can occur by the user side from the provider and may need to be done. If member opts out two times we cannot reuse the email address. Kalins and Andy DeVisscher have had issues. After we verify, the member would need to provide us with another email address. [Sometimes spam filters consider large distribution emails as spam, so one needs to verify your spam filters and related configuration aren't the problem - Editor] Most providers give you the ability to add secondary emails. Terry also verified that the second round of board nominations were about to be done. There will be no mail-in ballots and so it becomes important that anyone who desires to cast a vote do so at the November general meeting on 11/20.

The nominees are as follows:

PM – Debbie Bosler VPM – Rod Tompkins Minister of Letters – Gordon Kenney Treasurer – Jeff Heller Regalia – Mark Bosler

Events – Andrew Janiesch Membership – Kitty Janiesch Newsletter – David Durstine

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

We also discussed table trinkets for the Christmas Party that Bob Becwar had found. Choices were a bottle opener and pen with RMTC imprinted on the item. Any extras would be used in new member packets. We decided that ordering 75 of each would be sufficient. Pens are \$1.49 each and bottle openers are \$1.89 each. Motion was made and carried forward.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05. Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Bosh

Minster of Letters

Regalia Officer David Bosh manning the sales desk at Conclave, the regalia page will reappear in a later *Herald*. Or you can reference the September issue, or email David at DavidB@rockymountaintr.org

#### **RMTC Treasurer's Report**

This report is available for inspection at the Board Meeting and at the General Meeting, or by special request. Due to recent spam requesting bogus disbursements, your board decided not to publish our finances for the whole world to see.

RMTC SPONSORED EVENTS NOVEMBER 2018								
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				1	2	3 BOSLER WINE TASTNG		
4	5 BOARD MEETNG	6	7	8	9	10		
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18	19	20 GENERL MEETNG	21	22	23	24		
25	26	27	28	29	30			

### **CCCC Corner**

## Collector Car Council of Colorado, Inc.

Dedicated to the preservation of automotive history

#### www.collectorcarcouncil.com

Please visit the CCCC website for contact information for the officers, the complete minutes from the monthly meeting and a listing of upcoming events and shows

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, November 7, 7:30 pm, at the Forney Transportation Museum, 4303 Brighton Blvd., Denver Colorado.

<u>CCCC Newsflash</u>: Several car owners within the Emission-required areas have experienced difficulties with reregistration of collector vehicles. This is an important issue, please reference more information on page 5 of this *Herald*.

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