The Triumph Herald June 2022

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIUMPH CLUB

RMTC Annual Car Show - Lil Ricci's in Golden, coordinated by Andrew Janiesch

What a fine turn out, 19 cool cars, awesome folks and wonderful weather! Thank you Lil Ricci's for giving us great space for our spring car show! Lots of area shoppers dropped by. Kitty Janiesch & Andrew Janiesch want to thank everyone who showed up! Congratulations to our winners, photos below: 1st place James DeBartolomeis 1959 TR3A Roadster, 2nd place Chip Synder 1976 TR6, and 3rd place Scott Daly 1976 TR6! Though the MGB GT, the GTO and Jag stole a lot of votes! They were just as popular as our Triumphs! Thanks for coming!



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Board Meetings are held on the 1st Monday evening of each month at The Blue Bonnet, located at 457 S. Broadway in Denver. Meeting and dinner at 6 PM, all members welcome | Colleen A'Hearn 6/18 to attend.

Musings from the Gavel, by the PM



Greetings to all the RMTC members! Summer is finally but three weeks away and what a summer we shall have! No need to mention all the events since Andrew will cover that in the activities section. I would, however, be remiss if I were not to mention the upcoming ACC car show on Sunday, 5 June. Given the Spitfire's honored status, Mike McGuire's plans for parking our Triumphs may well be a first! The parking plans require aiding the set up on Saturday, 4 June. Any members wishing to help on Saturday contact Mike McGuire for information regarding when and where to meet. We might irritate the Porsche and Jaguar owners our being center stage but too bad!

It was such an honor to have Christof Kheim as our speaker at the May General Meeting! We have not had a speaker in quite a while, and to have someone of Christof's caliber was extraordinary. He related quite an interesting background of the Forney Museum, liberally sprinkled with anecdotes and history which many of us simply did not know (more on p.8.) Christof was very receptive to our questions once the Q and A session opened. Those who attended enjoyed a very noteworthy event.

This past Sunday's High Tea, graciously hosted by Sharon Robinson and Kitty Janiesch, was a fabulous time for the ladies and even for the servers. Although the chill air necessitated the event be indoors rather than on the patio as last year, all the attendees enjoyed themselves immensely. This event left me thinking about the RMTC lady members and how little the club offers just for them....would there be interest in a ladies only drive or perhaps some other sort of social gathering? Your thoughts would be appreciated.

An individual who shall remain nameless, at least for the moment, mentioned that the RMTC Board elections will be occurring this fall, we should all start thinking about the positions which will be vacated. The present Board members have served multiple terms in office, many in multiple spots. This simply means it is time for the "usual suspects" to enjoy a well deserved rest, and others to step up to the plate and participate in the club's management and governance. The club is only be as strong as its members and their level of participation.

As the announcer says at the Indy 500, "Gentlemen (and ladies!), start your engines!" and the crowd goes wild! Let's start our engines and engage in all of the RMTC activities! It should be a great summer!

Cheers! — Richard

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	JUNE BIRTHDAYS			
	Steve Colman	6/2	Stan Burt	6/21
	Lee Alexander	6/3	Mike Jankowski	6/21
	Debbie St James	6/3	Ralph Malewska	6/21
	Jeff Oram-Smith	6/5	Jeff Heller	6/22
	Kitty Janiesch	6/7	Gwenn Jensen	6/24
	Cara Hanson	6/16	Emily Girkins	6/25
•	Colleen A'Hearn	6/18	Tori Cline	6/29

Birthday list is provided by Kitty Janiesch, Minister of Membership.



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.

Cynthia Powers 6/21

RMTC EVENTS CALENDAR

Coordinated By Andrew Janiesch

JUNE

5th - ACC Car Show, details below

10th – Checkpoint workers for the Glenwood Springs Rallye, join us!

10th - 12th - MGCC 70th Annual Rallye Glenwood Springs, detail below

18th - Annual Father's Day Picnic hosted by Andrew & Kitty Janiesch, details below

JULY

16th- Annual Hwy Clean Up & Drive - Coordinated by Sharon Robinson & Richard Martin, details p.11

AUGUST

14th - Fairmount Cemetery Car Show

SEPTEMBER

17th – Hughes Annual Conclave BBQ

17th – 18th Colorado English Motoring Conclave

25th – Bosh's Annual OktoberFest

Anyone can host an impromptu drive, garage open house, tech session during their rebuild, etc. Do it like Eric and Ben this issue! Just coordinate with Andrew to get an email notification sent out.

DECEMBER

10th – Annual Christmas Party

ACC Car Show Meeting Location - Sunday 6/5/22

Time: 7:00 AM; Leaving NO Later Than 7:30 AM for the Car Show Area

Location: Aspen Grove Shopping Center, 7301 Santa Fe Drive, Littleton, CO. 80120

Meet at 7:00 AM, in the parking lot in front of the Tattered Cover Book store at the north end of the shopping center. There will be a brief meeting prior to leaving explaining the entry information into the ACC Car Show area.

It is very important to be on time because our cars must be in place by 8:30 AM. We will all go into the Arapahoe Community College Campus grounds together to our designated area to be staged for the show. Be sure to have your packet with you and have either the Club Judge Card or Display Card out of your packet to be displayed for entry into the campus grounds. Contact Mike McGuire with any questions.

FATHER'S DAY PICNIC – Saturday 6/18/22

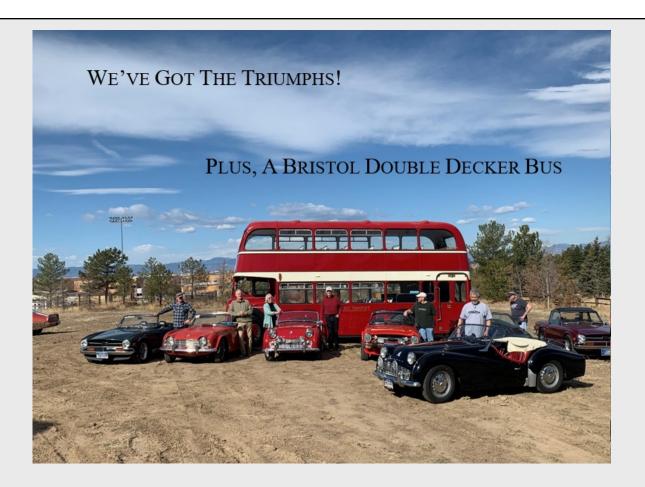
RSVP to Andrew Janiesch by 6/17! This event starts at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Andrew & Kitty Janiesch, 625 Virginia Street, Golden, Colorado. Our own Prime Minister Richard Martin is cooking/smoking the pulled pork. Hamburger & Hot Dogs will also be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share along with your own beverage of choice.

70TH ANNUAL RALLYE GLENWOOD SPRINGS, June 10-12, 2022

Registration and full details at; https://mgcc.org/rallye-glenwood-springs/

Registrar: Ben Greene – 303-917-6634 or registrar@mgcc.org





SUNDAY JUNE 5TH

39TH COLORADO CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE & EXOTIC SPORTS CAR SHOW

FROM 9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM ARAPAHOE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, 5900 S. SANTA FE DRIVE LITTLETON COLORADO. Help us celebrate the 60^{th} Anniversary of the Triumph Spitfire and enjoy the fun viewing all of our classic Triumphs

28 RMTC Cars are registered, with 10 Spitfires, and the bus! This show is not just about exotic vehicles, be there!

Note: The May board meeting was canceled due to a positive COVID test and also a COVID exposure case.

General Meetings

They are now being held at the Blue Bonnet, 457 S
Broadway, Denver, on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. We start to gather around 6 PM in the side alcove, meeting starts at 7 PM. Be sure to watch email for any late-breaking location changes.

RMTC Treasurer's Report This report is available for inspection at the Board Meeting and at the General Meeting, or by special request.

Rocky Mountain Triumph Club 2022 Board Prime Minister - Richard Martin Vice-Prime Minister - Jeff Otto Minister of Letters - Bob Mott Treasurer - Jeff Heller

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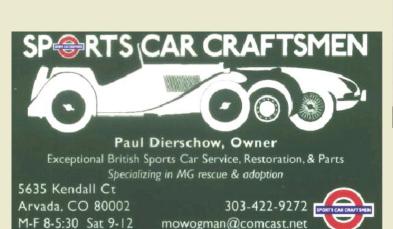
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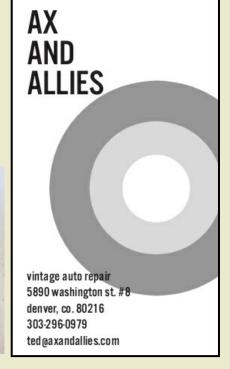














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I don't know Jim, it just showed up and said "I need maintenance, where to go?"



FOR SALE / WANTED

Free for members; Non-member ads are \$10/month.

Submit adds at ROCKYMOUNTAINTR.ORG

FOR SALE:

Vintage Bolt-In 3-Point Seatbelts, Black, Moss Motors part number 222-204. These belts are unused but were installed then taken out as I decided I wanted the retractable kind. Moss said I couldn't return them if they had been installed. They retail for \$49.99 plus tax and shipping, yours for \$20!

720-467-5243 rlmcmathis@gmail.com

FOR SALE:

1962-1970 Spitfire Bonnet Lift Kit, Moss Motors part number 867-105. This kit is unused. It won't work on my car because the radiator mounts are not original. In an attempt to make it fit, I drilled two small holes in one of the mounts. The holes do not affect the integrity of the mount, but I can't return it to Moss because of that. The kit sells for \$89.99 plus tax and shipping. It's **yours for \$40**! 720-467-5243 rlmcmathis@gmail.com

FOR SALE: RMTC embroidered jacket.

This jacket is in as new condition. This was one of the regalia offerings a few years ago and is made of that elusive unobtanium these days. There is a beautiful RMTC logo on the front and back of a black and red jacket with a warm quilted lining. It is a men's size large but I think these ran somewhat large so it's more like a XL in my opinion. It fit "big" on me before but since I lost 30 lbs. it really fits loose, which is why I'm selling it. It deserves to be worn because it's such a nice jacket and some of you bigger guys in the club will be the envy of all when you're seen in this beauty. It's a nice touch to display with your car at car shows too. \$150 and it's yours. Contact Bud at levilevi@comcast.net if you're interested and want to try it on or buy.





FOR SALE:

1972 Triumph TR6 This is a 1972 TR6. She has been updated with a new fuel tank and fuel lines, new brakes, new tires all around, new clutch, and new "rag" top. The original color is red and was repainted about ten years ago, there is no rust on the body. She has new seatbelts. 2 new side draft carburetors. It has a hard top too, but no work has been done on it. She is, honestly, a work in progress with a good start. Totally drivable, and I'd have no problem driving it for delivery. I am selling this car, because, sadly, at my age I will not be continuing the project.

Asking \$15,000 email Mark at mlh@wctc.net



CCCC Minutes of Meeting, 4 May 2022, edited for space

Legislation: Leo Boyle could not attend because he was needed at the capitol building as the legislature is frantically trying to wrap up the session by the middle of the month. Leo passed along that HB22-1338 regarding vehicle registration does not appear to threaten collector cars. Regarding the additional fee added to all registration to cover state park entrances, CCCC cannot obtain a blanket opt-out for collector cars and it will be left for individuals to opt-out on their own. Procedure for opt-outs is not clear at the present time.

Ethanol: Currently E-15 (15% ethanol in gasoline) is authorized but not for use in summer months. In a move to reduce gasoline costs it is proposed to continue its use in summer. This is in conflict with the EPA designation of Colorado being in serious violation of the ozone standard whereby Colorado should reduce the use of ethanol due to its higher volatility. For many collector vehicles ethanol is detrimental to fuel system components.

Highway use of surplus military vehicles. Colorado is mandating that surplus military vehicles can only be used off-road, for example, as a farm vehicle. Previously, owners of these vehicles were allowed to drive them on highways. CCCC may look into changing this mandate.

Airport Show (August 6 at Rocky Mountain Metro Airport is a go, need volunteers to handle parking etc

Uncle Dale's Impromptu Drive on May 3, reported by Eric Malewska

It wasn't top down weather unless you were Terry and Marietta Hughes, and it was a brisk morning for our weekday drive! Once the plan was in place, brother Darin from Dallas made the trek to join the drive, culminating in a five Malewska showing: Ralph, Dale, Darin, Dylan and Eric. David Bosch, Brad Reed and the Hughes' team completed the roster of attendees.

Our group met at the Littleton Museum and had a great pre-drive get together with some of Dylan's co workers and his predecessor Keith, who brought his customized Ford pick up truck to show off. Mr. Reed had a garage door malady that kept his Seven at home, and brother Darin got to ride shotgun with Mr. Bosch in his triple-carbed Six.

This drive went on that back road from Ken Caryl Valley to Deer Creek Canyon, then into Indian Hills. Once in Kittredge, we turned right to traverse the canyon and go through the town of Morrison. These are all roads that were our training grounds as teenagers. It's a certainty that these windy stretches of asphalt honed our love of driving, and sharing these fond places with good friends (and family) made for a great outing.

As promised, the drive was quoted at two hours. Piggin' Out BBQ was our lunch destination. The restaurant hadn't set up the outdoor bar/patio for the season, and it was still chilly so our group sat at the most indoor seating available- which was outside. Lunch was good eats. Several comments regarding the large food portions were the only hesitations in the cleaning of the plates. A few stories and a few photos rounded out the event. Thank you everyone that joined in.



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
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 - Participation in National Conventions Join by sending \$35.00 to:

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

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

Notes from the 5/18/22 General Meeting at the Blue Bonnet

The highlight of our general meeting, after the usual board reports and updates, was guest speaker Christof Kheim.

Christof Kheim, Director of the Forney Museum since 2009, familiar to most of us after they hosted a Triumph exhibit last winter, was our guest speaker. Christof gave a brief history of the museum – JD Forney built electric welding equipment that was oriented to the home shop and farming applications. It worked on house voltages, unlike much of the more common welding equipment that required industrial or shop power. JD Was an creative type of guy who improved and built many handy devices such as battery chargers and vacuum cleaners.

He liked machines in general, and cars in particular, especially Kissels and Rolls-Royces, and had a number of them. He also liked to travel by train, had his own carriage, and came to know some leaders in the rail road business. JD used his influence to save some of the significant locomotives and rail cars that would otherwise be sold for salvage.



He started to accumulate some cars and machinery in a personal collection, kept in one of the factory buildings near Ft Collins. As the collection grew, he wanted to make it more accessible to the public. This started a series of places in the Denver Metro area, starting with a lower level space at the old Cinderella City Mall on Hampden. Then the collection was moved to the former Denver Tram Building where REI is now, then to the present location on north Brighton Blvd. That space has been very convenient, since it is on a rail spur used by the Pepsi plant, facilitating the move of railroad equipment from the Tram building to the current location in 2014. This was a good excuse to lubricate and verify that the rail road exhibits could still roll for the move. The Big Boy locomotive weighs 560 tons, and required some upgrades on segments of the rail used to move it, using a loaned Coors Plant switchyard engine to tow the various locomotives and rail cars.

Christof's father was also a car guy, who bought and rehabilitated a series of mostly German cars. Christof learned about cars from his father, and joined him as a volunteer at the Forney after getting a sociology degree from CU in 1993. Christof was eventually hired as a full time employee, becoming Director as museum staff came and went over the years.

His first car was a VW Type 3 1600 (Squareback), which he learned to recondition with the help of his father. He currently has 29 cars of various flavors, is partial to Studebakers, and also has an early Dodge Charger among others, some running, some not. It is good to know that a car guy is running the transportation museum.

The museum has 8 full time staff, which is not enough to care for a large collection like the Forney has, around 800 items, and a research library. There are number of volunteers also (such as Sharon Robinson), but there are never enough, due to the higher paying entry level jobs in the recent economy, and the various retirees who have aged out of being able to help. There are many volunteer positions, with time commitments from a few hours per month to several days a week, so consider helping them out! Fun fact... Floor displays change every 3 months and have no specific theme...other than transportation, so it's never all the same as the last time you visited.

The volunteer positions can be back room work like wrenching in the shop, or public facing jobs like floor monitors or helping with the several events each week like weddings or corporate socials. Docents who answer questions about the automotive, railroad, bicycles, aircraft, and motor cycle collections are needed. Also those who can catalogue and support the large library of reference material, or who can digitize reference material for easier access are helpful. Volunteers are especially needed, since the Forney receives no funding from the Forney Welding business or other endowments.

If a particular type of transportation machinery is dear to your heart, The Forney has an Adopt-An-Artifact program, starting at \$100. Adoption benefits include private tours, photo opportunities with your artifact, your name on the exhibit signage, website recognition, etc. Details at www.forneymuseum.org/adopt. Adoptable artifacts include the 1916 Detroit Electric Opera Coupe, the 1930 Henchel German Steam Locomotive, a 1957 Fornaire Ercoupe aircraft, and Amelia Earhart's 1923 Kissel Speedster, among others.

Ben Green's Drive - Destination: Paint Mines, Calhan

Photos by, and Reported by Kitty Janiesch

RMTC extends their gratitude to new member Ben Greene, for hosting the 148 mile drive to Paint Mines Interpretive Park on Saturday, May 28th. 4 Morgan's, 2 MG's and 2 Triumph TR6's met at the Sprouts' parking lot in Parker, where Ben provided donuts and excellent directions. Ben led us over many back roads that had a lot of fun curves and spectacular views. RMTC member Dave Powell & his 1966 Spitfire MK2 met us at the parking lot at Paint Mines. Once we arrived at Paint Mines, we took about an hour break to walk down and explore the beautiful Rock Formations! After our short hike, our group started the next part of the drive to head to Rosie's Diner in Monument, CO. Unfortunately, Hodgen Road was closed but Ben was able to navigate us through the posted detour (approximately an additional 15 miles) and get us to Rosie's. RMTC Members Lee Greenwood & his 1980 TR8 and Lindy Powell met us at the diner. After lunch, those of us heading North took Hwy 105, through Salida and onto Santa Fe drive to head home. From Golden, Andrew and I drove a total of 200.2 miles. We thought we drove the furthest, but RMTC Members Kevin & Stephanie Kidwell in their 1974 TR6 beat us by about 30 miles because they drove down from Boulder! Thank you to all who attended & to Ben for providing an impressive drive!





Left, drive leader Ben Greene.

It was fun traveling with a bunch of LBCs!















RMTC Ladies Tea, hosted Sharon Robinson and Kitty Janiesch

Eleven Ladies came to be spoiled at the Ladies Tea on May 22nd, complete with sandwiches, sweets, scones & bubbly! It was requested that a favorite hat be worn, along a with a proper tea cup and saucer, or there were loaners. The hostesses thank our wonderful maitre d' Andrew Janiesch, and waiters Jeff Heller David Durstine Dave Bosh (Aka the king of Prosecco) Richard Martin, Mike Jankowski, Roger Mathis, and Mike McGuire. It was rumoured that the wait staff actually talked cars while in the kitchen, and had a look at Shawn's MG engine replacement and Roger's Spitfire door issue.









Hostesses Sharon and Kitty











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Ladies Tea Photos, continued















Oh yeah, mention the cars....the Mathis' arrived in the lone Triumph, and Shawn gave us a look at her updated engine, while Lucy added some style.











Many thanks to those who provided photos for this article!

The wait staff were allowed to mingle with the Ladies afterward, but they know their place

What! Sharon has got another activity going?!?...Lets help her out!

THE ANNUAL RMTC/ ROD TOMKINS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY CLEAN UP & DRIVE

Sharon and Richard are once again hosting this fun event combining a lovely twisty drive from Golden, through the Golden Gate Canyon to the Peak-to-Peak highway with lunch and a little civic duty!

We have a section of the Peak-to-Peak Highway above Rollinsville that we clean each year. It is a short stretch and very easy. After dropping the Rubbish/Trash in Rollinsville, we drive to the lake for our traditional picture, then a final short but fun drive to the Wondervu cafe for lunch, goodie bags and a little friendly competition - There is a trophy awarded during lunch

for the most interesting/funny/silly story about a piece of rubbish (trash) you find. David Durstine was the undisputed winner last year. We hope you will join us for a fun morning plus you are helping to keep our state beautiful.

DETAILS:

DATE - SATURDAY JULY 16th

MEET - CANNONBALL CREEK BREWING

393 N Washington Ave Golden, Just off highway 93.

Conoco petrol station next door and a Starbucks across Washington St.

TIME – 09:00 leave by 09:15 after a quick drivers' meeting

RSVP - email thepickledbrit@gmail.com or text 937-369-3953 we will need numbers for the Wondervue cafe

Bring a pair of gloves and some water - we will provide vests and rubbish bags



We are very fortunate that some members host events on an annual basis. Other events are suggestions, we are looking for hosts, please consider doing that. The Board and other members who have hosted in the past are glad to help you plan your event. A club budget is available for approved event supplies.

POTENTIAL 2022 EVENTS

CONCLAVE/BBQ SPRING TUNE UP

LADIES TEA-done! RMTC CAR SHOW - done!

RELIABILITY RUN DURANGO, CO MULTI-DAY DRIVE OIL SPOT RALLYE SOUTH DAKOTA MULTI-DAY DRIVE

OKTOBERFEST MOVIE & BBQ

CHILI COOKOFF FATHER'S DAY PICNIC

CHRISTMAS PARTY ACC CAR SHOW

IMPROMPTU DRIVES GARAGE TECH SESSION MG GLENWOOD SPRINGS RALLYE & CHECKPOINT

YOUR SUGGESTIONS ARE?



Triumph regalia contact is Bill Gillespie wmg3015@gmail.com You can also go to our RMTC website; http://rockymountaintr.org and click on REGALIA STORE.

CCCC Corner

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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: The June 1 meeting will **NOT** be at Gateway Classic Cars in Englewood. It probably will be at the Forney Museum but that has not been confirmed. Watch for the next meeting announcement.

Friends of Collector Cars PAC: Ted Rossi reported that the FOCC could use additional funds for the PAC. CCCC can not use its designated funds for this purpose.