

Your Triumph Herald

March 2023

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIUMPH CLUB

International Drive Your Triumph Day! Our drive started at the Colorado Hwy 36 Scenic Overlook and continued to NCAR and the Boulder Flatirons.

Participants:

Andrew Janiesch 1971 Triumph TR6 - Golden Colorado.

Lily Pray 1972 TR6 - Boulder, CO

Jeff Heller - 1970 TR6 Littleton, CO

David Durstine - 1964 TR4 Denver, CO

James De Bartolomeis 1964 TR4 - Greenwood Village, CO

Sharon Robinson 1969 MKIII Spitfire - Broomfield, CO

Bud Rolofson 1969 Red MKIII Spitfire - Lakewood, CO



Thank you to all of the members of the Rocky Mountain Triumph Club. Jeff enjoyed the visits of everyone that came to see or call him during his final days. Jeff acquired his Spitfire by trading out work for the car and never regretted that decision. Jeff loved to drive his spitfire through the windy roads of Colorado, especially up Mount Evans. Driving the spitfire up to Glenwood Springs for the rally or to Kansas for the car show, all were memorable for Jeff. I appreciate the support and friendships during this difficult time. They mean more than words can express. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.
Marla Otto



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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, Denver. Meeting at 7 PM, and dinner at 6 PM, all members welcome to attend.

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.

Musings from the Gavel Prime Minister Richard Martin



Greetings RMTC Members,

The time has come to pen the March Musings! It seems as if it was just last month... Anyway, we have had a bit of a snowy winter creating a few postponements, obviously the January General Meeting being postponed to February due to inclement conditions and almost the same thing occurring in February. There were a few intrepid souls who attended the General in February. A hearty thank you to those of you who did! I must admit I was in Arizona both in January and February on those days. The weather there was cool but not snowing.

It is back in the saddle for all of us! Our RMTC Board meeting will be held on Monday March 6th and the General on Wednesday April 19th. As usual, the meetings will be held at the New York Deli News. The Board Meeting is open to all RMTC members and, dare I say, is a great introduction to what the individual Board members do and how RMTC business is conducted so that should one consider becoming a Board member in the future, one can hit the ground running.

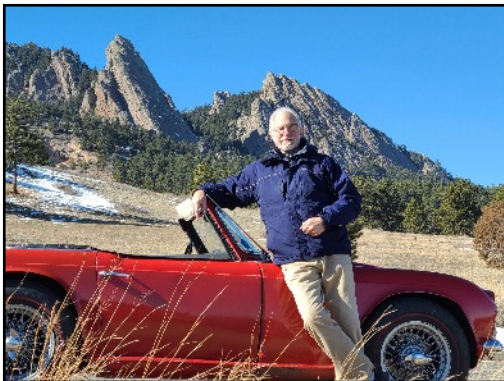
There are any number of club activities in the near future so be sure to review the upcoming events in the newsletter. Please consider conducting an activity: arranging a drive, writing an article for the newsletter, interesting photos, presenting something at a general meeting, etc. The sky is the limit! If one can arrange a speaker for a general meeting that could help achieve greater attendance at the general meeting!

Spring is only three weeks away, daylight savings time starts on Sunday the 12th, and with a bit of luck the Triumphs will be out and about! Happy March one and all!

Cheers, Richard



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



DYTD photos. A sunny February day with spectacular light. David D. mimics the Flat Irons. Above, the RMTCL ladies show their battle-down jackets were replaced with cold beer for lunch!



RMTC Board of Directors Meeting 02/06/2023

Meeting called to order at 19.04 By Richard Martin, Prime Minister

In Attendance: Richard Martin – Prime Minister, David Durstine – Vice Prime Minister, Jeff Heller - Treasurer, Chuck Woodward – Regalia Officer, Roger Mathis – Events Coordinator

Guests: Lynda Barclay Mathis, Sharon Robinson – Taking Minutes for Steve Girkins

Richard opened the meeting discussing club attendance at Jeff Otto's funeral. Jeff noted prior member Marty Cohen passed away December 23 age 90 – discussed putting a note in the next newsletter. David to run the upcoming General Meeting as Richard will be out of town. Chuck will do a 50:50 raffle. Alan Magnusen will attend to discuss the Glenwood Rally and Paul Dico will discuss his El Paso raceway event. David discussed honorary member selection and criteria the club would look at including participation in events, board presence etc. David also covered what criteria was used for member of the year in the past. Chuck made a motion to put a quarterly new member welcome in the newsletter – motion seconded by Dave. Jeff will work with Kitty to share new member details for publication.

Financial: Jeff Heller. Audits are completed, procedures discussed, no issues found. Audit summary available for review. Federal and State Tax returns were filed January 23 rd – Income Negative \$877 for 2022. Richard brought up changing financial report to quarterly. Jeff noted that per the club bylaws reports were needed monthly.

Events: Roger Mathis. Drive your Triumph Day on February 10 th , 1200 – Meet at scenic overlook on highway 36; drive to NCAR for photos then take a short drive on 93 towards boulder. Weather forecast looks good. Blast will be sent out on Tuesday 02.07.23. Upcoming Cars and Coffee in Lafayette – Roger to send blast. Prior to the meeting Paul Dico came to discuss a drive on April 8 th to El Paso County Raceway in Calhoun for a car show and to watch the races. Sammy Swindel will be racing. A lunch is planned enroute. Paul will send details to David for inclusion in the newsletter and a future blast. Jeff, Mike McGuire, and Arlene Bosh are working with the Ability Connection Colorado show – This year's theme is the "Evolution of the Auto". They are seeking cars representing each decade. Jeff noted he had reached out to Christof Kheim at the Forney Museum of Transportation and was awaiting a response. He plans to follow up this week. Proposed Black Hills Event for Triumphs August 17-20 – Bob Arnio is the contact person. No club plans finalized. Jeff noted there is also an MG Club drive to the Black Hills September 21 -26. Richard noted Mount Vernon country club is looking for 1920's cars, should any member have one, to park at their 100-year anniversary party on August 12. § Sharon to set up a dust and shine event at the Forney in March or April – will report back with a date.

Regalia: Chuck Woodward. Chuck noted that orders were slower and asked if we wanted to incorporate new items. Chuck will investigate what other items might be available and if there is something good, he will try to get an example made. § Jeff wondered how many regalia items are sold online – Chuck will follow up and suggested more marketing. Discussed letting people know they could get regalia at the general meetings. Richard wondered about customizing items and suggested sweatshirts, hoodies, sleeveless T-shirts and Beanies. Sharon and Jeff suggested camping chairs and picnic blankets with the RMTC logo and a Union Jack.

Meeting Adjourned by Richard Martin at 19.41

General Meetings

They are now being held at The New York Deli News, located at 7105 East Hampden Ave. in Denver, on the 3rd Wednesday of the quarter. We start to gather around 6 PM in the back alcove, meeting starts at 7

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 2023 Board

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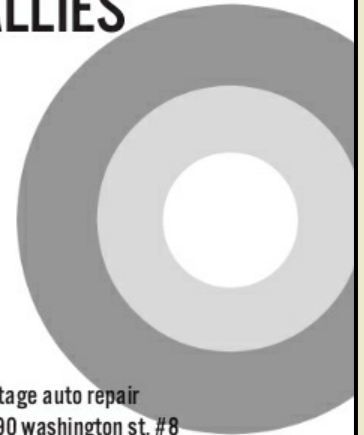


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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Arlene Bosh	3/1
James De Bartolomeis	3/1
Hal Levison	3/1
Andrej Galins	3/7
Tim White	3/9
Tom Willson	3/12
Vivian Knaus	3/17
Liz Reed	3/20
Carol Malewska	3/22
Lynne Lawson	3/26
Dave Osborne	3/29
Janet Cline	3/30
Shelly Pachiano-Hartman	3/30
Lorraine Smith	3/30



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1972 Triumph TR6 - \$15,000 (Denver, CO) This TR6 has had a full frame-off restoration. Mechanically, it features a rebuilt engine by Sports Car Craftsmen, Toyota 5-Speed, Upgraded Nissan Limited Slip Differential with CV Axles by Good Parts, Good Parts Rear Shock Conversion, Good Parts upgraded driveshaft, Good Parts adjustable trailing arm brackets, and a Good Parts front sway bar. A recent tune up and maintenance have been performed by Ax & Allies. The interior features a new Moss Motors Interior Panel kit, New Moss Motors Carpet, New dash pads, New center console, New Roadster Factory Reflective Top, New seat belts, New Steering wheel, and New Moss Motors Suffolk Seats. It should be noted, the wood dash is original and is in excellent condition. Electrically, the wiring harness has been replaced with a Roadster Factory Harness. Upgrades electrically include a WOSP high torque starter, Pertronix Ignition, and a Revotec electric fan. Everything works except for the heater. The fan has been diagnosed to be seized. The body & frame have no rust. The previous owner had the floor pans, rocker panels, and front valance replaced. Before painting the body themselves, they had the body sandblasted and primed for paint. The previous owners painted it Subaru World Rally Blue (original color was Sapphire Blue). There are many new parts/upgrades I have missed. This TR6 is ready to be enjoyed by the next owner. I am selling to focus on my next project, an early TR4. Please call James at 303-518-5285 or email jamesdebart@gmail.com for more information.



FOR SALE:

Two decorative 72 spoke wire wheels and hubs. The wheel and hub splines are worn out, so these are not safe wheels/hubs to use on the road. They make dandy hose racks or sign post bases or décor for your garage. \$45 For each wheel + hub + octagon, or \$80 for both sets. Four brand new still in the plastic octagon hub nuts, all four for \$160, these are \$59 each + shipping from Moss
Text 303-324-1047



FOR SALE:

10-22

1980 triumph TR8 "Wedge" 8-cylinder aluminum 3.5L engine. 5 speed manual transmission. 2 door convertible. Car is all original with minimal rust. 71,000 miles. Still owned by the original family who purchased it new in Colorado. VIN. TPVDV8ATxxxxxx Paint code MCA Trim code RAH Build date APR80. Has been driven very little in last several years.



Engine runs but will need inspected and detailed. Factory a/c. Needs tires, needs new top fabric, battery, slight tear in driver seat back fabric. Additional photos can be provided. Will need to be trailered upon purchase. This belonged to my husband who passed away in 2020. Have had 3 classic car people advise it should go between \$10,000 - \$14,000. Price is negotiable. Email: ajdvb1995@gmail.com
Asking Price \$12,000.00



Roger put the drive together-thanks!



Do not bother Treasurer Jeff during tax season!



My favorite photo submitted by David D.

The Vintage Triumph Register (VTR)

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

- Receive the bi-monthly Magazine, "The Vintage Triumph"
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- Participation in National Conventions

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

RMTC General Meeting 2/15/23, deferred from January 18 due to weather.

The meeting was held at the New York Deli News, as usual.

Six people attended, braving temperatures of 12°, and road conditions from an ongoing snow storm.

PM Richard Martin was traveling, VPM David Durstine chaired the meeting.

Our planned speakers from the MG Club will try again during better weather.

There was a brief review of the February Board Meeting, also reported in this issue.

Treasurer Jeff Heller made the financial report, and noted that he has written a procedure for the various reports that he provides.

Regia Officer Chuck Woodward has replenished some regalia supplies, such as adding ladies T-shirts. Chuck also noted that the regalia shop can put the club logo on clothing already owned, for a price dependent on the type of clothing. See Chuck for further details.

The 50/50 raffle was not held, because of the low attendance.

As reported earlier, Jeff Heller has been in contact with Bob Arnio, past member of our club regarding a planned Black Hills rendezvous August 17 to 20th. This will not be an RMTC event, but Jeff will provide contact information for the run if you want to join that drive. Jeff will facilitate contacts if several people want to caravan for that drive. The hotel rooms start at \$291/night (taxes and fees included), basically list price. The MG Club is also planning a Black Hills run September 21 to 26th, with one night in Lusk on the drive up. Hill City hotel rooms are \$124 plus taxes and fees.

Club storage space in a member's basement needs to be moved. That member needs space for a relative recently moved to our area. The club pays \$20/month rent. Items stored are legal records, past newsletters, a folded tent used for club events, etc. Please contact a board member if you have some space for our items. We can help move the items to your location.

Next meeting will be 4/19/23



Club meeting attendees

2022 New Members

Greene, Ben & Nancy Lauth Parker CO 80138
Leatherwood, Jim & Stacey Colorado Springs CO 80925
MacMillan, David Castle Rock CO 80108-7866
Flynn, Kim Greenwood Village CO 80121
Foster, Adam & Logan Casper WY 82601
Harkin, Kevin & Flo Parker CO 80138
Jurich, David & Karen Twin Lakes CO 81251
Malewska, Dylan & Jamie Englewood CO 80126
Martinek, Peter Centennial CO 80112
Meldrum, Kingsley & Jean Thorton CO 80602
Meldrum, Oriana & Alex Malott-Meldrum Fort Collins CO 80526
Miller, Andy Golden CO 80401
Poindexter, Mark & Alletta Colorado Springs CO 80921
Prouse, Dale & Nancy Morrison CO 80465
Saito, Patrice & Wendi Birchler Crested Butte CO 81224
Stolzenburg, Melvin Castle Rock CO 80108-7855
Sullivan, Tim & Kim Monument CO 80132
Woodward, Charles (Chuck) & Janice Denver CO 80210



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The Club has a Member of the Year program. There is a sign-in book at every Club -sponsored event, drive and meeting. It is important for you to sign the book when you are in attendance because this is how points are determined for MOY. The member with the most points at the end of the year gets their name engraved on the MOY plaque and free membership for the following year. The winner is announced at the Christmas Party/Banquet.

ACTIVITY POINTS

- Attendance at the monthly club meeting 1
- Drive a TR to the monthly club meeting 1
- Attendance at a Board meeting (non-board member) 1
- Drive a TR to a Board meeting 1
- Attendance at a RMTC activity/event 1
- Drive a TR to a RMTC activity/event 1
- Attendance at a car show event* 1
- Drive a TR to a car show event* 1
- Publish an article in the RMTC newsletter 3
- Recruit a new RMTC member 3
- Organize/Host a RMTC event/activity 3
- Obtain a speaker for the General Meeting (not VPM) 2

Board members are not eligible for points for attendance/participation in activities or events that pertain to their duties and position as Board members. *Activities/events are meetings such as breakfast or lunch gatherings and car drives (gaggles). *Car show events are occasions where Triumphs are parked for purposes of public display - for example, the RMTC Spring Car Show.

The MOY program is managed by the Minister of Letters.
revised November, 2017

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Minutes of Meeting, 1 February 2023 (Presidents' Night)

The meeting was held at the Rocky Mountain Metro Airport (RMMA) terminal building, Broomfield CO. Leo Boyle reported that the Colorado Legislature began its 2023 Session in January and will meet for 4 months. He expects that 400 to 500 bills will be introduced and he will be on the lookout for ones that affect the car hobby such as one advocating year-round use of E-15 (ethanol 15%) fuel which would be bad for vintage vehicles. Minutes: The minutes of the December 2022 CCCC meeting were approved as published.

Concours d'Elegance: Discussion with Tom Scott regarding the June 4th 2023 Concours in Littleton is continuing. The Concours is planning to feature evolution of the automobile with decades of vehicles grouped together. CCCC is urged to promote the show and we hope to provide 50 cars for the Evolution category. Cars with "patina" are acceptable. For more details, contact Scott at 303-819-0101 or Tomlynns@aol.com .

2023 RMMA (Jeffco) Airport Show: Dick Thompson asked that clubs include the August 5th event in their club's calendar of events. The event will be at the same location as 2022, not on grass but there will be a large tent to provide shade and a place to relax. There were 350 cars in the show in 2022 and we hope to have even more in 2023. If a club wants to be featured, contact Dick Thompson at 303-929-5533.

Forney Museum Dust & Shine events: Contact for scheduling D&S dates for clubs is Gary Canady at 303-264-9953 or 303-632-8727. July 15 and August 19 are still open.

Colorado Parks Pass ("Keep Colorado Wild Pass"): All Colorado vehicle renewals will include prices with and without the parks pass. To opt-out, one only has to pay the lower figure.

Tri-State Swap Meet (4-5 Feb.) and Tri-State Car Show (March 11-12): CCCC will have booths at these events at the National Western Exhibit Hall and we need volunteers to man (person?) the booths. Easy work.

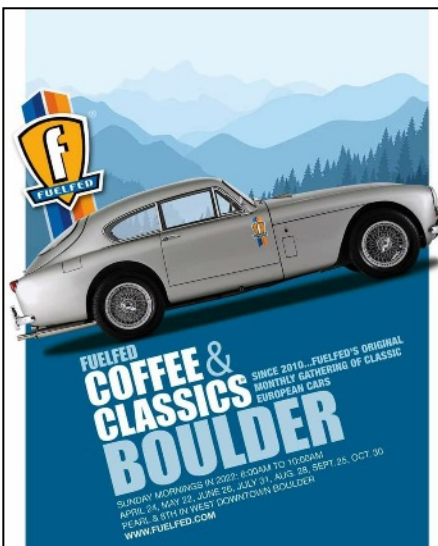
Freedom to Drive: Calvin Craig has volunteered to be CCCC's contact person with FTD.

Next Meeting: March 1, 7:30 pm, at the Forney Transportation Museum, 4303 Brighton Blvd., Denver.

Fuelfed Coffee & Classics®

These mini rallies (1 stage) are intended to stretch our cars, clear our heads before a stop for coffee and breakfast, allowing the driver to return by noon. Drive at your own pace. Participating drivers will receive collectible stickers. Drivers attending all three will receive rally commemorative swag.

The Fuelfed Boulder car show starts again in June and continues on the last Sunday of each month at 8:00-10:00am til and including October. There are impromptu gatherings called Spontaneous Combustion at random times if the weather is nice. There are usually three Coffee Corsas which are one stage rallies on super fun roads, dates TBA.



2022 Time & Location; 8:00am to 10:00am, Pearl & 8th in downtown Boulder

More information; <https://fuelfed.wordpress.com/coffee-classics-what-is-it/coffee-classics-boulder-co/>



We are fortunate that members host events on an annual basis. This list of past events are suggestions. We are looking for hosts, please consider doing that. Other members who have hosted in the past can help you plan your event. A club budget is available for approved event supplies.

CONCLAVE/BBQ	SPRING TUNE UP
LADIES TEA	RMTC CAR SHOW
RELIABILITY RUN	MULTI-DAY DRIVES
OIL SPOT RALLYE	OKTOBERFEST
MOVIE & BBQ	CHILI COOKOFF
ACC CAR CHOW	FATHER'S DAY PICNIC
HIWAY CLEAN UP	CHRISTMAS PARTY
IMPROMPTU DRIVES	GARAGE TECH SESSIONS
MG GLENWOOD SPRINGS RALLYE & CHECKPOINT	

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Building a proper Triumph

"I agree 100%. I love the style of the 4, pre blinkers.. i think they ruin the lines of the car. I am not a big fan of the clunky IRS so this is the perfect car for me. Although I would like to drive a tr4 that has been converted to accommodate the 2.5l inline 6 with a solid axle.. I think that would be a proper triumph. " RMTC MEMBER
Dreams, contemplations and conversations brought up the topic of what would the proper Triumph be? A solid axle TR4 mated to the 2.5L 6cyl with a five speed Miata transmission was suggested. What are your thoughts? Looking back, what do you think might have kept the Triumph marque afloat? Some interesting models (love the Stag, & GT6) came through. What if the V8 DIDN'T implode? The Sunbeam Tiger was Rootes' Alpine with a small block- now highly collectable and became their best car. Send in your suggestion and I'll print them for everyone to see what you think the proper Triumph would be.

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