Your Triumph Herald July 2023

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN TRIUMPH CLUB

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SAVE THE DATE!

GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

Come and join the crowd at our July General Meeting to be held at the New York Deli News Restaurant. If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, the restaurant has an extensive menu, good drinks and desserts. Dinner starts at 6 pm and the meeting commences at 7 pm. It is a great time to meet old friends and perhaps make new friends.

The primary topic for discussion will be possibility of hosting the 2025 Vintage Triumph Register (VTR) National Convention. Mike Jankowski, a member from Colorado Springs, will talk about the convention, need for volunteers, location, costs, and events. VTR conventions have been held since 1974 and our club served as host in 1990, 2001, and 2011. We are excited about this opportunity and look forward to your questions and comments. A closed vote will be taken to gauge your support for our continuing to investigate pursuing this endeavor.

SAVE THE DATE! 2023 RMTC ROD TOMKINS HIGHWAY CLEAN UP

Richard and Sharon are once again hosting this annual event - Come and join us for a fun drive and a little civic duty at the highway clean up. We drive up through the twisty roads in Golden Gate Canyon then have a small section of the peak to peak highway to clean, we have

bags and vests but please bring gloves. Then, after dropping the rubbish in Rollinsville we take our annual lakeside picture and a quick drive up to Coal Creek Canyon for lunch and fun at the Wondervue cafe. Prizes for the best/ funniest stories about a piece of rubbish you find!!!

DATE: Saturday July 15

TIME: Meet at 9am, leave at 915am.

MEET: Canonball Brewing carpark at 393 North Washington Ave and highway 93 Golden (bonus - there is a petrol station, toilets and a Starbucks just across the street)

RSVP: We need a head count for the Wondervu cafe -

Call or text Sharon at 937-369-3953 Or email: thepickledbrit@gmail.com



Musings from the Gavel Prime Minister Richard Martin



Greetings fellow RMTC members,

After a rainy and, at times, tempestuous month of June, the summer is finally upon us. For many members this and the early fall are the best times for our club activities. The Herald has notation made of numerous activities primarily driving events and mid July we will have the Highway Clean up which involves driving, a wee bit of rubbish collection, and the opportunity to conjure a grand story regarding your roadside booty! The best three stories will receive prizes while we are having lunch at the Wondervu Cafe, ironically located in

Wondervu. Sharon Robinson and I have hosted this event the past few years and have found the trash tales become more and more entertaining each year!

As some of you already know, I gifted my 1971 TR6 to my brother who lives in Corvallis, Oregon. It arrived safely on the transporter about two weeks ago. The transportation debacle was about par for the course: two weeks late to retrieve the TR6 and another two weeks late after the proposed delivery date. Add to that a driver whose command of the Queen's English was virtually nonexistent. None the less, the TR6 arrived. Chris was thankful and excited to embark on his new hobby, "life with an old banger". Of course no good deed goes unpunished! He started it only to find that idling was not its forte in Corvallis which is 236 feet above sea level and to show its appreciation of new ownership, overheated and puked a rather substantial amount of coolant! All I know is that Ted had it dialed in prior to its departure. Ok, ran very nicely at 5,280 feet. Now the overheating makes no sense to me since that was never an issue during my ownership. Of course its British so there's one explanation. Anyway, if you are ever in Corvallis, see a Damson red TR6, license plate 150 PDQ (beautiful plates with the evergreen in the middle), if it is under its own power, be sure to wave. If it is at the side of the road, bonnet raised, and many foul oaths emitting from the driver, that will be Chris. Please stop and lend a hand!

A huge thank you to Andrew and Kitty Janiesch for hosting the RMTC Fathers Day picnic on Saturday, June 24th! Once again their generosity is noteworthy and most appreciated! The participants enjoyed burgers and dogs beautifully grilled by Kitty, sides, and more desserts than one can imagine. The weather was picture perfect especially considering just 48 hours before we were treated to a tornado through the Highlands Ranch area! Living in Lone Tree, I was spared major damage but the west side of the house did receive a bit of hail damage that will need attention. Overall, we had a nice Fathers Day Picnic!

Not too soon to start thinking about the 2024 RMTC Board positions! In the words of former President Lyndon Johnson, "I will not seek nor accept the nomination for President!", ok Club PM but three years is enough! God bless y'all and have a wonderful summer!

Cheers, Richard

Our recent VTR questionaire fielded 31 respondents and their responses:

77% said they would be willing to help.
69% said they would serve on a committee.
30% said they would be willing to be an Event chair or C0-chair.
45% have attended a previous VTR event.
30% said they had helped at the 2001 and/or 2011 event.

COME TO THE GENERAL MEETING JULY 19 TO HEAR MORE

RMTC EVENTS

July: Rod Tomkins Highway Clean Up 07/15; Automezzi XXXIII

Italian Motoring Show 07/16.

August: SD Overnight Drive, Terry Hughes; Rocky Mountain Car

Show and Swap Meet, Jeffco Airport, Broomfield

September: Conclave, Hughes BBQ, Bosh Oktoberfest

October: Fall drive - Eric, BMCNC Oil Spot Rally

MONTHLY EVENTS: To be updated on the Cars and Coffee Events near you, email support@carsandcoffeeevents.com and ask to be added to their mailing list. You can specify how close/far away you want Events sent to you on a weekly basis.

- 1. Fuelfed Boulder June thru October each last Sunday of month, 8th and Pearl 8-10am. Rallys will be announced as they occur.
- Lafayette C & C, first Saturday of month year round (weather permitting) Flatirons Church parking lot, 355 W South Boulder Road, Lafayette, CO 7-10am Facebook
- 3. GoldenSuperCruise.com First Saturday May thru October



SAVE THE DATE! 40th Annual Colorado Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show Rescheduled Sept. 10, 9 AM - 3PM

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Board Meeting Minutes for 06/05/2023

Attendance; Richard Martin, Jeff Heller, Kitty Janiesch, Steve Girkins, David Durstine, Roger Mathis Guest; Andrew Janiesch.

Meeting was called to order by PM Richard Martin at 7:01 PM Richard asked Jeff to describe the rain-out of the ACCC Show Sunday. Jeff arrived at 7:10 to setup, and was told by security people that the event had been canceled as of 6:30 that morning. Jeff then phoned the 21 RMTC people who had registered for the events about the cancellation. Jeff then went to the Aspen Grove Mall meet-up place to inform others who may have missed the message. About 9 others were there, so they gathered nearby for donuts and curses upon the weather gods. One of the 9 had driven their Spitfire Mk 1 from Las Vegas, a 14 hour drive, which included driving through snow on the east side of Loveland Pass. Jeff also made the financial report, recent expenditures are expenses for the Tea Party, ACCC Show supplies, and for the RMTC website domain name.

Roger noted upcoming events such as the Father's Day Picnic 6/24 hosted by the Janiesch', the MGCC Glenwood Rallye 6/11, and the Highway Cleanup. Sharon has coordinated with the Highway Dept for cleanup supplies, participant awards, and the Wondervu Cafe for our lunch after the cleanup.

Kitty reported on membership changes, noting that events such as the recent Tea Party have good attendance by new members. Kitty had also noticed that the RMTC is not listed on the latest Clubs list provided with the Conclave packets. She has coordinated with Bill Gillespie, who is on the Conclave Committee, to get this fixed.

A member has spoken to the Board that our change to quarterly meetings could be causing a certain degree of detachment due to less frequent gatherings. That led to a discussion of member participation in general, it seems that pretty much the same people join us whatever the stretch between meetings. Jeff said these same people are generally the ones who click on the email blasts that he sends, so there is correlation about who is interested and who is not. There was further related discussion on what additional participation or activity by members might look like. Some of

us are in social media groups that have regular posting of interest large and small, which tends to provide more of an activity dynamic than what the RMTC has now. The Board will see what can be done to make it easier for members to post to the RMTC Facebook page, for example. The FB page has hundreds of viewers, so we know there is some interest in the postings.

Several members who are active with the VTR (Vintage Triumph Register) have asked for consideration that the RMTC host a VTR national meeting in next few years. The VTR asked the RMTC directly a few years ago to host the national meeting like we did in 2011. The Board sent out an email survey at the time to gauge the level of interest by our membership. Short story is that a few very enthusiastic members said let's do it, but not enough members and other interested parties committed to that effort, so it was dropped. There is a sense that times have changed, due to new member interest, and more available time for others who could not commit before. The board voted to propose this topic to the membership. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Reported by an humble & obedient driver.

Approved by Steve Girkins Minister of Letters



General Meetings

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

Rocky Mountain Triumph Club 2023 Board

Prime Minister - Richard Martin
Vice-Prime Minister - David Durstine
Minister of Letters - Steve Girkins
Treasurer - Jeff Heller
Events Coordinator - Roger Mathis
Minister of Membership - Kitty Janiesch
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RMTC Treasurer's Report

This report is available for inspection at the Board Meeting and at the General Meeting, or by special request.



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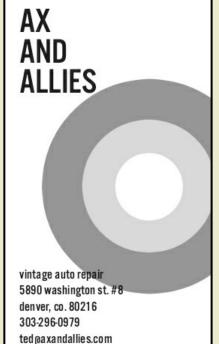
Birthday list is provided by Kitty Janiesch

JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/1

William

Repphun Stephanie Kidwell 7/2 Martinek 7/5 Peter Rolofson 7/8 Lou Shirley Kenney 7/10 Nick Turner 7/14Sherrie Oram-Smith 7/15 Dean Burkett 7/18 Norman P. Rounds 7/18 Tamara Durstine 7/19 Mike McGuire 7/19 Kevin & Stephanie Kidwell 7/23 Deborah Gaynor 7/24





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, dinner at 6, all members welcome.

FOR SALE / WANTED

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

Submit adds at ROCKYMOUNTAINTR.ORG

FOR SALE:

10-22

1980 triumph TR8 "Wedge" 8-cylinder aluminum 3.5L engine. 5 speed manual transmission. Car is 100% 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 \$12,000.00



see if someone has a bench top sheet metal break or a sheet metal bead roller they would be willing to sell, loan, or rent. I live in Twin Lakes (between Leadville and Buena Vista) and am happy to drive to the front range to pick up the tools. I have a 71 TR6 project that could use a new bonnet and boot lid but that is another story. Rolling running partially disassembled project.

Not drivable. Fresh oil change, engine runs well, Piranha ignition. All new front suspension bushings and powder coated wishbones, cross tube, and sway bar. Tub has minimal surficial rust, fenders and hood need work. Originally Sienna, repainted white. Comes with complete lightly used tan carpet and all panels, seat foam, new diaphragms, and covers. Solid walnut dash in excellent condition, all gauges work, good glass. Additional parts including second set of tail lights, left and right chassis strengthening kits. Missing exhaust pipe and muffler, soft top, windshield washer tank and pump, and misc. small parts. Located in Twin Lakes, additional photos available. Reluctantly letting this go to focus on my TR4 project. Dave (480) 225-2308.



FOR SALE:

TR7 30th Anniversary Edition - EFI - \$7000 (Denver, CO) Triumph TR7 30th Anniversary Edition - \$7000 This Special Edition TR7 is optioned with the original AM/FM Cassette Radio, Bosch Fog Lights, Moto Lita Steering Wheel, Co-co floor mats, Alloy Wheels, 4 Tip Monza Exhaust, and a Front Spoiler. This TR7 is a Rocky Mountain Triumph Club Car. It is was originally from California and is equipped with a Bosch L-Jetronic fuel injection system, making this one special TR7. This TR7 has had a light restoration including a rebuilt engine & transmission & updated interior, finished in 2023. Please email jamesdebart@gmail.com or call 303-518-5285 for more information.

WANTED:

TR6 front wings, hood, and trunk lid in good condition. Also looking for 8ea. Chrome lug nuts, hood catch assembly and hood prop with bracket. Contact Dave 480-225-2308









RMTC ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY PICNIC RECAP

We had a fabulous sunny day on Saturday, June 24 for the Annual RMTC Father's Day/Summer Picnic hosted by Andrew & Kitty Janiesch. Twenty-five members, including new member Scott and his TR6 (that he bought just a few weeks ago) attended. Everyone brought some wonderful appetizers, salads, side dishes and tasty desserts. Kitty grilled hamburgers and hot dogs. She also made a double batch of Debbie Bosler's famous bourbon slush! Unfortunately, there were no leftovers. Thank you to Andrew who got the set up for the party done and to the volunteers who helped with the pop-ups and clean up. During the picnic, Mike Jankowski held a brief discussion regarding the board's decision to further investigate the possibility of hosting VTR in 2025 in Colorado Springs. Mike has volunteered to be Chair or Co-Chair of VTR and he & Caroline have taken the lead in locating hotels and an autocross location. He hopes to have more updates to share at our July general meeting. Mike has also been working with Jeff Heller, Andrew & Kitty Janiesch on communicating with the club to gauge interest and respond to any questions and volunteer opportunities. Mike emphasizes that this is a club decision, and he will follow what the club decides and votes on at our July General Meeting. Thank you to everyone who attended. Your presence and input are very important & appreciated! Andrew & Kitty Janiesch













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
 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

RMTC ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY PICNIC RECAP MORE PHOTOS

























RMTC ANNUAL LADIES' AFTERNOON TEA RECAP

The annual ladies afternoon tea hosted by Kitty Janiesch and Sharon Robinson was held on Saturday June 3rd at Sharon's home. 16 lovely ladies attended looking fabulous wearing hats and bringing their own special cups and saucers. Unsettled weather was forecast so the tea was held inside - The wonderful waiters took great care of everyone. They kept the Prosecco and tea flowing and plenty of great food kept arriving Along with the tea and Prosecco guests enjoyed a proper English afternoon tea with a variety of finger sandwiches, sausage rolls & Kitty's famous quiche then freshly baked scones with jam and cream and a selection of sweets. Lots of Great conversation and fun. Thank you to everyone who attended, especially our wonderful waiters.















The Last Tow, to date...by Jeff Heller Sunday, April 9:

It happened on a clear Colorado day, a Sunday in early April. My TR6 had been sitting in the garage for a couple of weeks and it was time to take it for a drive. I told Gwenn (my wife) I was just going to drive around the neighborhood for 30 minutes or so and enjoy the springtime afternoon. To my surprise the car started right up and seemed to be running well, as it has for the past 53 years. Yes, I bought the car new in Southern California in August of 1970. Anyway, out of the cul-de-sac I went, around the corner and another corner toward Arapahoe Road. I didn't make it to Arapahoe Road (thank God) as the car died. No noise, no burps, nothing, just silence but in the middle of our neighborhood street. Fortunately the car is not so heavy and the street was flat, I was able to push it onto the wrong side of the road, but next to the curb. As I sat in the car I wondered what could have happened...dead coil, dead battery. dead ignition switch, broken distributor, etc. I called my neighbor, Larry and asked if he could come by and we would try to get it started. In the meantime I drained the battery trying to start the car. Larry showed up within minutes asked what happened. In an effort to get it started we needed jumper cables which Larry had and so we gave it a go...nothing. I checked the coil for a spark and got none...okay dead coil. I called AAA Colorado and requested a tow back to the house...all of a two minute drive. As we stood around waiting for the tow, Larry and I wondered what it could be. Ten minutes passed and the tow truck driver arrived and within a few minutes the car was on board and back to the house. The tow driver deposited the car in the street and I gathered the neighbors together to push the car into my garage...it is up a slight incline. Now the problem could be dealt with under controlled conditions. (Continued next month- stay tuned for the next chapter!)

Princess' (The Spit 6's) Trip to the Big City

I got all cleaned up, washed, vacuumed, and detailed for a trip to Denver and the Concours at Arapahoe Community College. I was excited to get to go to a Ladies' Tea on Saturday as well as the show. We (me, Katie (driver), and Brian (pit crew) headed out on a sunny day headed for Broomfield. It was a fun and sunny day when we started. We hit rain about the top of Kenosha Pass. Wasn't too bad. I leaked a little and managed to get the humans a little damp, but not too wet. It got a little exciting when we took I-70 for a few miles. Once we were off I-76, it got better. It was still drizzling, but that just kept me cool. We stopped in Arvada to feed Brian. I sat in the rain. Then we arrived at the tea. I sat in the rain, until the sun came out. Katie and Brian went inside. I hear that they had a great time. The food was excellent! The company was good as it always is. I hope I get to go next year, but it will probably be Kevin's (the TR250's) turn. He has more luggage space and rides smoother. Brian likes that. From there we went to Ted's (Ax & Allies) to check and see if he was there. He wasn't but there were two folks working on a cool Mini to get it ready for the rallye next weekend. I am going to miss it as my driver is busy.

Then we drove Denver streets down to the Tech Center where we were staying for the night. I am not going to complain about Chaffee County roads anymore. Potholes everywhere! We did some shopping, but generally it was all for the Christmas Tree ('74 FJ-40).

We got up early, Katie and Brian dried the inside of me off and we headed to breakfast on our way to the car show in Littleton. We stopped at McDonald's for Breakfast Burritos (Brian's favorite travel breakfast). I got to sit next to a Ford GT while they went into McDonalds, and I sat in the rain. While they were inside Katie got a phone call that the show was canceled. I sat in the rain while they enjoyed breakfast and kept warm and dry.

They came out and we headed home. I decided that I needed some attention, so I started popping my hood latch just outside Fairplay. I got busy popping it, because every time I did, they stopped the car and fiddled with it. Finally, Brian must have gotten tired of it, so we stopped, and he got out some tools and re-adjusted it, so that I had to keep it closed until we got home to Salida.

All in all we had a great time! Everyone was great fun and I look forward to more events with the Rocky Mountain Triumph Club. Maybe someday they can come visit me in Salida. I would love to show everyone my favorite roads.

CCCC Minutes of June 7, 2023

Meeting at the ColoRODans clubhouse, 209 Kimbark St., Longmont. Called to order at 7:31 pm.

Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Car Show: The June 4 th Concours had to be postponed due to rain that made parking on the grass unacceptable. The reschedule date is September 10th, same location. Tax status: The Council has submitted paperwork to apply for 501(C) 7 status and we have to wait to see if it is accepted. Application cost \$600.

CCCC RMMA (Airport) Car Show and Swap Meet (August 5): Dick Thomson advised that advertising material and club information for the published event program must be submitted by July 1 st. The program will include a listing of current member clubs (dues paid for 2023). The event should be promoted in club newsletters.

Forney Museum Dust 'n Shine events. Jay Thomas, phone 720-252-6798 is the contact individual for clubs to schedule Dust 'n Shine events. Great club activity on a Saturday morning.

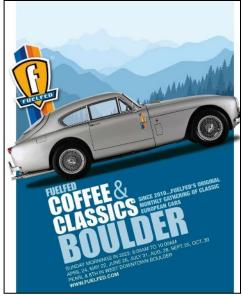
SEMA Show: John Ehrlich reported that he has been in communication with Colby Martin at SEMA about comp passes for the Oct.31 – Nov.2 Show but SEMA Administration has not reached any decision.

Several individuals interested in going if we have that opportunity again. SEMA News (sent to SEMA SAN members) contains valuable information about collector vehicle legislation around the country.

Friends of Collector Cars PAC: Ted Rossi reported that the PAC is still open and welcomes contributions. CCCC funds cannot be used.

Next Meeting: July 5, 7:30 pm at the Hagerty Garage, 8101 Shaffer Pkwy, Littleton Colorado.





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. More information; https://fuelfed.wordpress.com/coffee-classics-what-is-it/coffee-classics-boulder-co/It's warming up and the roads are almost clear of sand and dust! That can only mean one thing: Fuelfed's iconic Coffee & Classics Boulder is back for 2023!

Join us at 8th and Pearl in downtown Boulder

The event is getting popular so get there close to 8 AM and grab a premium spot before being relegated to spill over parking! 2023 Coffee & Classics Event Dates

April 30th, May 28th, June 25th, July 30th, August 27th, September 24th, October 29th













Photos of the gathering 04/30/2023 provided by Mike Jankowski- thanks Mike!

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 SHARON'S 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 ROD TOMKINS HIWAY CLEAN UP **CHRISTMAS PARTY** IMPROMPTU DRIVES **GARAGE TECH SESSIONS** MG GLENWOOD SPRINGS RALLYE & CHECKPOINT

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Cars and Coffee this Saturday, July 1.

Gather at Gunther Toody's at Wadsworth and Bowles.

Meet about 9 am, then leave 10ish for a drive to the Clive Cussler Car Museum.

This is the Morgan Day run, but anyone and everyone is invited.