

Coventry Chronicle

New Jersey Triumph Association Newsletter September 2007



TR-6 in the parking lot at a Jaguar Show at Schooley's mountain

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The **New Jersey Triumph Association** is a local chapter of the *Vintage Triumph Register*, the *Triumph Sports Owners Association* and the *Triumph Register of America*.

Membership dues are \$25 for the first year's registration – which includes the official NJTA Club Pin – and then \$20 annually thereafter. Dues are to be submitted by April of each year. This entitles you to participate in all club activities, meetings and elections. You also will receive the Club newsletter, *The Coventry Chronicle*, in which you are able to post free classified ads for a run of three months - which can be renewed.

The Coventry Chronicle is the official publication of the New Jersey Triumph Association and is published monthly, except for December. NJTA has been established for the enjoyment and preservation of the Triumph automobile. NJTA is open to all owners of Triumph autos and to those interested in Triumph autos.

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WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!!

From the Editor

Well It's Election time again
and we have our nominees
ONE per position!!

Anyway we will be voting for
our Executive Committee in
November so you can vote
Yes or No for these candidates

Welcome New Members--

Walter Pliszak -- 1972 TR6
Bill Thomsa -- 1964 TR4 and a 1961 TR3
Susan And Dennis DeAppolonio -- 1979 Spitfire

Congratulations to Jim and Amelia Medley!!!!

Let me brag about winning the 2007 Jersey Late Greats Road Rally with my daughter Amelia in my Spitfire. Just goes to show the superiority of British iron on the little twisty back roads.

<http://www.jerseylategreats.com/Road%20Rally/rallyfinal2007.htm>

--Jim Medley

Links

This is a new section and a very quick list, please send me your suggestions and I am sure the list will grow. Also I will start to categorize them as the list grows Please send me your suggestions at njtriumphassociation@yahoo.com

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www.vtr.org
www.triumphregister.com
www.britishmotorheritage.com
www.ebay.com
www.triumphreport.com
www.aaa.com
www.canleyclassics.com
www.mossmotors.com
www.the-roadster-factory.com
www.victoriabritish.com
www.hemmings.com
www.triumphreport.com
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www.triumphrescue.com
www.stevesautoservice.com

Auto Screen Savers

<http://www.fegovi.com/cars>

Online Auto Chat

<http://groups.msn.com/autorepaironline>
www.britishcarforum.com

www.delvaltrs.org

Misc

<http://www.cars.miautoparte.com>
<http://home.att.net/~chevy57/carshow.html>

Club News

Reminder: We meet the fourth TUESDAY of each month (Except December) at 7:30 at The Chimney Rock Inn 342 Valley Road, Gillette NJ 908 580 1100

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BILL SMITH ROB VOLLERS EMERY DUELL AL ROSENBERG

ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING!!

***WE ARE LOOKING TO HAVE INTERESTING PROGRAMS, ANY SUGGESTIONS?
DO YOU KNOW ANYONE THAT THE OTHER MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO HEAR?
IT COULD BE A MEMBER OR A NON-MEMBER***

Members Wanted!!!

Want your story in the newsletter???

Would you like to be a "Profiled" member???

Let me know.....

Joe Ientile

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Directions to the Chimney Rock Inn in Gillette

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Directions Coming From NJ Turnpike, Route 1 & 9, Newark Airport Area:

Take Route 78 (West) to exit 40. At stop sign make a right. Proceed to a 4-way stop sign and follow sign for Gillette. Continue about a half a mile to a traffic light. At light make a right onto Valley Road. Continue 1 mile and CRI is on your left hand side.

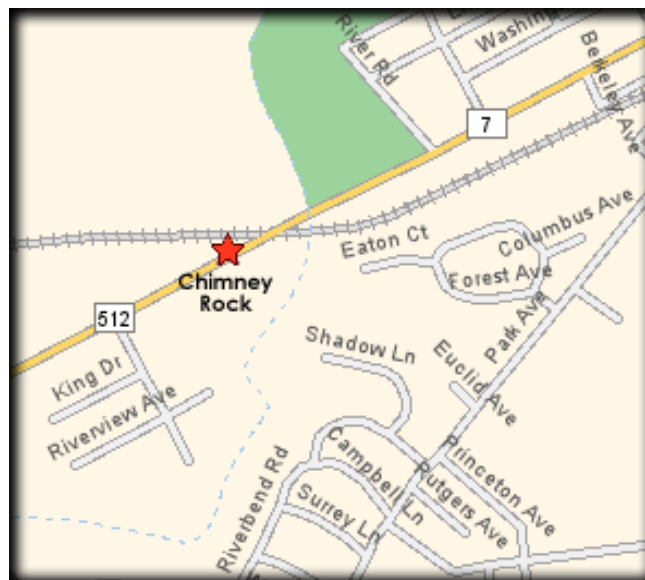
Directions Traveling West on Route 22: Pass the McDonalds on the right. Take Route 78/Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Berkeley Heights, New Providence exit. At the first traffic light after the exit, make a right onto Diamond Hill Road. Continue through three traffic lights. Diamond Hill Road turns into Union Avenue, continue to stop sign and make a left onto Springfield Avenue. Go through two traffic lights, CRI is a ½ mile on the right.

Directions Traveling East on Route 22: Pass Sears/Terril Road on the right. Take exit for Route 78/Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Berkeley Heights, New Providence exit. Then take immediate right for Route 78/Berkeley Heights, New Providence. Go over overpass and continue straight through the traffic light onto Diamond Hill Road. Continue through three traffic lights. Diamond Hill road turns into Union Avenue, continue to stop sign and make a left onto Springfield Avenue. Go through two traffic lights, CRI is a ½ mile on the right.

Directions from Morristown, Basking Ridge & Bernardsville Area: Route 287 South to Exit 30A (North Maple Ave). Continue 2 miles on North Maple Ave. Bear left onto South Maple Ave. Continue 2 miles to yellow blinking light (church on right). Bear left onto Long Hill Road. Travel 2 miles to the 2nd 3 way stop. Turn right, bear left down the hill about 1 mile to the first light (American Gas Station on the right). Turn left onto Valley Rd. CRI is one mile on the left.

Directions Coming From Shore Points, Woodbridge & New Brunswick Area: Take Garden State Parkway North to Exit 127 to Route 287 North (Route 287 splits, always stay right). Continue for about 10 miles and exit right onto Route 78 East. Take 78 until Exit 40. Turn left after exiting, go approximately 1 mile to a four way stop (blinking red light). Turn right onto Mountain Avenue. Take first left onto Park Avenue and follow to the end, turn left onto Plainfield Avenue. At light, turn left onto Springfield Avenue. CRI is ½ mile on the right.

Directions from Pennsylvania, Clinton & Area West (From 78 East) : Take Route 78 East to Exit 40. At stop sign make a left. Proceed to a 4-way stop sign and follow sign for Gillette. Continue about a half a mile to a traffic light. At light make a right onto Valley Road. Continue 1 mile and CRI is on your left hand side.



Plenty of Regalia Available

Black plastic license frame with NJ Triumph Association lettered in white

Price: \$2.50 apiece or two for \$4.00

Mechanic's tool bag heavy cotton canvas 11"x7"x6" black with embroidered NJTA logo

Price: \$21.00

Polo shirts 100 % cotton pique brand Jonathan Corey 500 made in USA with embroidered NJTA logo

Colors: hunter green(brg), royal blue;

Price: sm thru lg \$31.00, xlg-xxxlg \$33.00

Grill badge NJTA logo in cloisonné' hard enamel finish with chrome or gold background (holes to fit standard bumper badge holder)

Price: Gold \$32.00,

Chrome \$28.00

Triumph Owners Service log book spiral bound black 7"x10"

Price: \$12.00

Baseball style cap unstructured low profile with embroidered NJTA logo any color or combination of two colors, khaki/dark green etc.

Price: \$14.00

Send order with check or money order payable to the
New Jersey Triumph Association

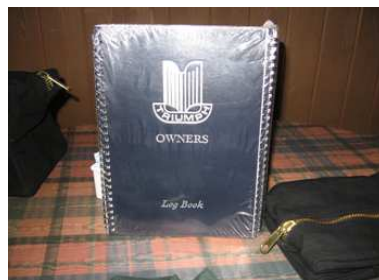
Shipping:

\$8.00 for orders to \$60.00

\$10.00 for orders to \$125.00

Mail to:

Art Wildman
33 Hillcrest Rd.
Martinsville, New Jersey 08836
For inquires,
jwildman@optonline.net



Logbook



Polo Shirt



Grill Badge



Stylish Baseball Caps

Have Ideas??

We need ideas for NEW Regalia.....

What would you want to see with the NJTA logo on it?

Umbrellas??

Cloth Folding Chairs??

Let us know

Send us your ideas!!!

Email to:

njtriumphassociation@yahoo.com

Mail to:

NJTA

PO Box 6 Gillette NJ 07933

Better yet-attend our Meeting

Come on the Covered Bridge Tour of Beautiful Berks County Pa.

We will be driving through some of the most colorful fall foliage in this side of the Mississippi . After we meet up, we will drive our LBC's through winding country roads to arrive 90 minutes later at our first bridge, **Kutz Mill Covered Bridge**.

Now we start the tour, our tour clocks out at 42 miles. Driving straight through it's 90 minutes, but with stopping to see the bridges and a lunch stop Betty and I figure about twice that time or 3 hours. This will make for a full day of fun!

The **Kutz Mill Covered Bridge** is just a stone's throw from famous Kutztown University . From there we will wind our way through wooded roads past Amish farms with streams and livestock to the **Dreibelbis Covered Bridge** . This cover bridge crosses the Maiden Creek. We will be just outside the very small, yet famous town of Virginville . We will then drive for a while past town centers on little main streets to the next covered bridge, **Pleasantville Covered Bridge** . Here we can stop at a country restaurant to eat or just get a drink. It's all up to you!

Next we drive on, through the fields of golden brown corn stalks, racing by field after field on a nice straight run to **Greisemer Mill Covered Bridge**. Here we will stop to turnaround at a quaint plant and flower shop that is so far off the beaten path, that I wonder how it survives. The drive now takes us toward the big city, Reading. We arrive at a county park, with all the necessary facilities and a museum. Here is our last bridge, **Red Covered Bridge** (or Wertz Bridge). This is the only bridge we cannot drive over. At this point we will be across the street from our Holiday Inn. You may take your time and stay in the park, if you like or you may retire to your room whenever you are ready or head home.

At approximately 6:00 we will meet in the hotel lobby to walk across the parking lot to Malibooz Restaurant for dinner. A wonderfully fun place located in the Reading Airport that sits adjacent to the runway. We can all eat and drink as we watch the planes come in. (don't expect more than one :-). For you square dancing buffs, Saturday night after dinner you can go to C.J. Hummel's and start hoofing with the other cowboys and girls.

The next day you can have a continental breakfast at the hotel. Then you can make you own plans or team up with friends. You will be near the heart of Amish country with country stores and fruit and pumpkin stands. You can return to the park across the road to tour the museum, and then walk or run the paths alongside the river, they go for miles! You will be five minutes from the first and best outlet shopping center: VF OUTLETS (and believe me you will get bargains!) You will be five minutes from Blue Marsh Lake where you can swim or fish, just by parking you car on the side of the road. There is a flea market 15 minutes away at the Leesport Farmers Market. Roadside America is in nearby Shartlesville and there are many public golf courses nearby.

Tour details on the following page.....

2007 NJTA Covered Bridge Tour - details

Date: Saturday October 20, 2007

Starting Point: Tic Toc Restaurant Easton, Pa.

Ending Point: Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Reading (Saturday night accommodations)

To get to the restaurant:

- Take Rt. 22 west towards Pennsylvania
- After the toll bridge go 3 miles
- Exit to Rt 248 (AKA 25th Street)
- After you exit, come to the traffic light
- look for the Tic Toc Restaurant across the road on your left

We will meet at 9:00 a.m. and leave promptly at 9:30 a.m.

Arrive earlier if you plan on eating.

For information and directions to the Tic Toc Restaurant use the following website:

<http://www.visitpa.com/visitpa/details.pa.jsessionid=323BDC8BF8A27E30AC1B1DB36BA422BC?id=59621>

Please make reservations on your own.

We will be staying at: Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Reading

2389 Bernville Rd.

Reading Pa. 19605-9611

Ph: 610-372-0700

http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/ex/1/en/hotel/rdgpa?_requestid=195933

Please email me to sign up for the covered bridge tour at: Sjboden@aol.com.

Include your cell phone number so I can make a phone list for the trip.

Does anyone have walkie-talkies we can share on the trip?

Tour directions will be emailed when you sign up.

I look forward to seeing you.

Steve Bodenweiser

My Favorite Part

By Mike Simon

TRY THIS AT YOUR OWN RISK!!!

Part: Coaxial Clutch Release Bearing
Front cover-gasket for transmission, 1.25" clutch master cylinder..

Cost: £497.65 (includes new smaller master cylinder)

Source: Cambridge Motor Sports Ltd.
011-44-1462-684-300

Difficulty: ****

Time: About 7 Hours

Special Tools: Clutch alignment tool, stud removal tool
Loctite, electric drill and bits to drill holes in bellhousing
Silicon Caulk to fill cross-shaft hole in bellhousing
Wire ties (to secure hoses)

Description: Modern hydraulic clutch release fits right on the output shaft of the transmission. Better "feel" and lighter clutch. More durable than the factory parts. Racer's choice..

Justification: How many times has your clutch broken? How many ways has your clutch broken? Dispense with the cross-shaft, pin, yoke and sliding bearing forever.. You'll have fewer parts to break. No one will know, most of the parts are hidden inside the bell housing. The engineering on the factory set-up is mechanically flawed and prone to failure.

Installation: The transmission has to be removed to fit this part. You should have some experience doing this before attempting to change the factory set-up. With the transmission on your work bench, you need to remove the front cover (inside the bell housing) and fit the Cambridge Motorsports part (buy a new front cover gasket, before starting work). Hydraulic hoses can be run through the hole previously occupied by the cross shaft, but you'll need to drill some holes for wire ties to secure the hoses inside the bell housing. You should replace the stock clutch master cylinder with a smaller one (since the coaxial clutch needs less working hydraulic volume).

Tips: Always support the rear part of the engine with a separate jack under the sump when removing the transmission. When you refit the transmission, crank the rear of the engine up a bit (I use two pumps of the bottle jack). I don't know why, but unless I pump the jack up slightly, the transmission doesn't readily slide home onto the flywheel.

Extremis: Having gone to the trouble of removing the transmission, you can also: 1) fit a new clutch, 2) remove and resurface the flywheel and replace the ring-gear, 3) remove and replace the rear engine oil seal – a \$4.00 part that you know you have to replace if everything inside the bell housing is coated with oil.

Wife: Tell her it cost "about five hundred" but don't tell her the currency.



FALLFEST RESULTS 2007

Bugeye

- 1 Michael & Loree Adams
- 2 Larry Gersten
- 3 Joe Chiappa

100-6/Early 3000

- 1 Rich Ippolitti
- 2 Herb Sailer
- 3 Art Herkomer

MG-T Series

- 1 Jim Mink
- 2 Fred Weber
- 3 Serge Martynovych

MG B/C/GT Chrome Bumper

- 1 Peter Bonasia
- 2 Bruce Langevin
- 3 Denis Nelson

MG Midget Rubber bumper

- 1 Ken Wittle
- 2 Jack Reso
- 3

TR 2-3

- 1 Gerry Traxler
- 2 George Wildner
- 3 Vince Maggio

TR 6 Early

- 1 Larry Chalfin
- 2 Don Allesandro
- 3 Tim Duckworth

TR 7 8

- 1 Marge & Bill Smith
- 2 Art Wildman

Jaguar XK 120 – 150

- 1
- 2
- 3

Other Jaguar

- 1 Burt & Mary Hunter
- 2 Fred Bowe
- 3 XK 8

TVR

- 1 Adolf Battifarano
- 2
- 3

Morgan

- 1 Les Newman
- 2
- 3

British Motorcycle

- 1 Richard Riedel
- 2 Al Gebhardt
- 3

Sprite MK II III IV

- 1 Anne(George)Marinos
- 2
- 3

Rollup window 3000

- 1 Pat Venezia Jr
- 2 Bob Pense
- 3 Mark Goodman

MG A

- 1 Mickey Walka
- 2 Jon Rubel
- 3 ALLEN ROSENBERG

MG B Rubber Bumper

- 1 Caroline Barnowski
- 2 John Pope
- 3 Don Giaquinto

Midget Chrome Bumper

- 1 Alex Grant
- 2 Anthony Buzzanca
- 3

TR 4 5 250

- 1 Bill Thomas
- 2 Peter Macholdt
- 3 Cliff Garner

TR 6 Late

- 1 Gary Panarotto
- 2 Ralf Grant
- 3 Ed Oshea

Spitfire/GT 6

- 1 John Ferreira
- 2 Ralf Panei
- 3 Mike Paserchia

E Type

- 1 Frank Nemzer
- 2
- 3

Sunbeam

- 1 David Reina
- 2
- 3

Mini

- 1 Charlie Phillips
- 2 Manny Lopez
- 3 Glen Barb

Other British

- 1 Steve Agins
- 2 Anthony Mai
- 3 Bas Bachan

Diamond in the Rough Jim Krous AH 3000

BEST OF SHOW Bert & Mary Hunter 1951 Jaguar MK V

Jaguar Show at Schooley's Mountain

I know they aren't Triumphs but they are really nice cars



Classifieds:

TR7 5 spd. convertibles for sale. One is a 1979 non-runner good for parts or major restoration...the other is a 1980 runner in need of restoration. Asking \$1,000 for the pair or will divide. Contact Allen Rosenberg @ bigalnj@aol.com or 908-755-3794

1979 Fiat Spider and a 1981 Fiat Spider. One car is fuel injected. Both cars have some rust, but have soft and hard tops. One car has a roll bar and custom wheels. These cars need a new home. Asking \$1500 for the pair or will sell separately. Call Allen @ 908-755-3794 or e-mail @ bigalnj@aol.com

67 GT6 for sale. The car needs some restoration but runs OK. Call him at 973-226-4566 at home or 201-670-3477 at his office. He is looking for a reasonable offer. The car is in Essex Fells.

1979 Spitfire. 49000 miles All original except top replaced about 8 years ago. Excellent daily driver. Runs well. Rust free Texas car brought to NJ when I moved here. Hard top included. Call John for more information at 973-271-2479.

1980 tr8 48k. losing garage, need to sell. car has not been used in about five years. Rich Cell (908)347-3900. looking for offers. Westfield, NJ

Storage space available for two cars in my barn. Very private and secure setting in rural Ringoes, NJ. \$30 per car per month for NJTA members, \$40 for non-members. Dirt floor, no electricity, no heat, just shelter from the weather. Call Thom Pooley at 908-788-5197 or email thompooley@att.net

Large assortment parts from an abandoned restoration of a 1953 MGTD. Located in Schnectady, NY. e-mail for pictures and info. Ronald Weinger sheron@att.net
Several wall mount parts storage bins. e-mail for pictures, Ronald Weinger sheron@att.net
For Sale: 16"x20" PIG mats, absorb 32oz of anything your car can dump on the floor, \$7/10; 42" PIG socks, absorb 1/2 gallon of liquid, \$1.50 ea Ronald Weinger sheron@att.net

2 1969 GT-6s Complete or for parts. Call for needs Steve Bodenweiser 973 829 1618

1974 Spitfire
53K miles Good condition. Drove well last time used
Original engine, body, paint, etc. Garaged
Owner since 1988, Need to sell for garage space
\$1,000 Tel. 609-683-4572, or 258-4639 shayegan@princeton.edu

Wanted: Powder Blue 1962 TR3B, preferably with overdrive.
Please contact: P3Drums@optonline.net or 973-422-6044.

TR6 lots of new parts email for details
joecornell@covad.net