



Greater Rochester Triumph Touring Club

Triumphantly Yours

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Dead of Winter Jan-Feb Edition

Dear Fellow Triumph Enthusiasts,

Having grown up in Batavia and Pam in Pembroke we both learned to drive in the snow. I remember taking my driving test with so much snow on the ground that I parallel parked between two snow banks. I pushed shopping carts at the Tops in Batavia and I remember the cold and snow the likes of which we have not seen in recent years. After the last three months all I can say is Really!?! I honestly do not remember the sustained cold with days in the single digits and I lived through the blizzard of '77 (I have the shirt to prove it). We are almost to March which means we are getting close and I know I cannot wait. It has been a busy winter working on the shop which will accelerate getting the GT6 on the road and the Spitfire back into shape. I plan on leading the pack in Palmyramania in one of them. Some of you will get a chance to see Evan and my handiwork when we have the tech session in March.

Hope to see you all soon.

Andy

Events

George has once again come up with a full slate of events for the year. I have attached a full calendar of events you can pin up in a handy spot. There may be some adjustments to the dates as the year progresses, there always are, but we will send out updates as needed.

Our first event for the year was the cabin party at Kanatota lodge in Webster on Sunday February 8th. It was very cold outside but the fire and friends kept it warm inside. We had a great turnout with lots of food featuring Eileen Williams' chili. Everyone had a great time and we were fortunate



to have our own travelling troubadours Ned and Rory to provide entertainment. A really nice break to what has been a long winter.

Next up is a tech session on Saturday March 14th at PJ's Hot Rods in Manchester (my shop). We will be doing a repeat of one of our more successful sessions and rebuilding a Triumph gearbox. This is a great opportunity to see what gets crammed into one of these things and provides a chance to better understand how a gearbox works. If you have ever had a chance to hear that loud bang when you slip out of first then this is your chance to see why. Whether you ever plan on rebuilding a gearbox or not this is a great chance to understand the process. George will be providing more details in the near future.

On Wednesday April 22 we will be having our spring meeting to kick off the driving season and by then it will hopefully be above 4. More details to follow.

On Sunday May 3rd Chris and Eileen will be taking us on their annual brunch run and I am sure this year will be another delightful trip. Watch for more details in the near future.

Take a look at the full schedule attached to this email.

Membership

We are into 2015 and making our annual request for everyone to get their dues paid. Our dues have always been low and are used to pay for insurance, support events, provide door prizes, and other necessities to effectively run the club. The treasurer has traditionally been the person who reminds people that the \$20 dues are payable by the first of the year. This has turned into an annual process of trying to track people down and goes on for months. This year we sent out reminder emails to 11 members and received 1 response. In order to remove the burden on one of our volunteers we are going to stop at this one reminder. If you feel you do not get \$20 worth out of your membership let us know why and we can always see what we can do better. If you are not interested let us know to allow us to just remove you from the roles. We try to support the membership with interesting relevant activities, useful information, and friendship surrounding the unique marquees that we find so interesting. We can always use more help and ideas to keep things fresh.

Finally

On a sad note we lost one of our members this month, Joe Fazio he was 91. Joe bought his TR6 new and always had it maintained by a dealer. Joe and Linda have been frequent participants in GRTTC events over the years. I remember talking to Joe at one of the tune up clinics and he told me about how he managed the motor pool when he was in the army and always thought it was unusual since he did not work on cars. Joe was a lifelong member of 6 Pack and travelled all over the country to attend their meetings. We will all miss seeing Joe driving around in that fantastic red TR6.