



# TRIUMPHS & TRIBULATIONS



## Kastner Cup and Hastings Car Show

Thompsons race for the cup at Road America. Lots of Triumphs showed up in Hastings.

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### SAVE THE DATE!

#### Club Summer Picnic - August 5th

Spring Lake Park Reserve - Hastings, Minnesota  
*Contact Bill Connell to volunteer to help. Bring a side dish to share. Also lawn games if you like.*

### Website Updates!

Bill has added a photo gallery to our Rendezvous page with over 100 photos from Mary Deeg. Check it out! <https://www.mntriumphs.org/2023-rendezvous/>

## About Minnesota Triumphs Car Club

Minnesota Triumphs formed in 1975 when our club was first given a Charter with the Triumphs Sports Owners Association.

Since then, the club has grown to more than 150 members from throughout the Midwest.

Our activities include:

- Monthly meetings
- Social gatherings
- Tech sessions
- Road rallies
- Regional and national events

We welcome all Triumph enthusiasts, whether you own a concours winning showpiece, are restoring a diamond in the rough, are searching for just the right addition to your garage or just appreciate the marque.

Together we can locate those hard-to-find parts and assist one another in keeping our vehicles on the road. But most of all, the club offers opportunities to explore some of the best roads in the region with others who enjoy the Triumph experience.



## Monthly Meetings

Membership meetings are the SECOND THURSDAY of the month January through October. **Our next meeting is August 10th** at the **Lucky's 13 in Roseville**. The address is 2480 Fairview Ave N Roseville MN 55113. It's north of Rosedale Mall.

**For membership information visit our website at** [www.mntriumphs.org](http://www.mntriumphs.org)

**Minnesota Triumphs is a charter member of the Vintage Triumph Register (VTR).**

**For VTR Membership information visit** [www.vtr.org](http://www.vtr.org)





## PREZ RELEASE

Hello friends,

What a wonderful summer it has been. As I write you, Shannon and I are enjoying the last few days of summer before my kids go back to school. I'll be white water rafting in a few hours on the Arkansas river near the Royal Gorge.



We are in CO, camping with a group of friends and we are celebrating our 25th annual outing together as a group. I love the tradition of things just like our car club.

As I leave this adventure, I'm excited to come home to our annual picnic and spend time with all of you. I can't wait to hear about your adventures over the summer or about ones that are on deck.

Our club has provided a lot of opportunities this year and we have a few more in the tank. I plan on going to the picnic, the lift garage event as well as our monthly meetings. Make sure you're getting out there making memories with your friends and family.

See you at the picnic.

Cheers,  
David



### Minnesota Triumphs Tech Specialists

As a service to fellow members, club members with an expertise in a particular model of Triumph have volunteered to act as tech specialists for that model. They don't know everything but they do know a lot. So, if you have a question, give them a call.

TR2-3B -

TR4 - John Myers (507-633-2017)

TR4A - Larry Sanderson (507-775-6940)

TR250/TR6 - Orrin McGill (763-755-7765)

TR7 - Roger Kraemer (651-207-3920)

TR8 - Roger Kraemer (651-207-3920)

Spitfire - Bill Gingerich (612-850-4072)

GT6 - Pat McFarland (763-427-5612)

Stag - David Anderson (612-810-9740)

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# July 2023 Meeting Minutes - Jill Davenport

Minnesota Triumph Club  
7/13/2023 Meeting Minutes  
Lucky's 13, Roseville, MN

Call to order 7:02

29 in attendance, 84 degrees, partly sunny upon arrival, some of us experienced a few raindrops on the way home. 11 triumphs in the parking lot.  
Previous Meeting Notes approved.

## Reports

Rendezvous readout/results: 94 cars, perfect weather. Excellent feedback from attendees. The next step is a board meeting to realistically look at a 2024 budget, then decide how much of the profit we need to keep for operating expenses (and seed money for a future big event?) and decide if there are some funds to donate to a worthy organization.

Treasurer - Brandon Baker, absent, report by David.

Membership - Mike Smith, New Members:

Daniel Zei - 80 TR8,  
Tom Hanson - 69 TR6  
Andrew Ziolkowski - 76 Spitfire

Newsletter - Greg and Carol Thompson, the deadline for the August newsletter is July 20. Submit articles. Submit an ad or cancel a current running ad.

Events Coordinator - Bill Connell.

- The Healy Club will be running a timed laps event on August 4.
- Our club is hosting the Rivertown Days car show in Hastings again on July 23rd. 11 AM - 4 PM, arrive with your cars between 9:30-10. Need volunteers to post at the gates, several different shifts. Sign up through Groups I/O on the sign-up sheet. A member suggested that we showcase one of each of the Triumph models with some signage.
- The summer picnic will be on August 5, at Spring Lake Park in Hastings.
- Our club is hosting the Internarque picnic on August 27, at Cherokee Park.
- Elk Hart race weekend in August.
- Doug Burch shared an August 1 car show in Coon Rapids, as a community outreach event of Presbyterian Church of the Master, part of Night to Unite.

- August 20, 10 AM - 2 PM Intermarque event to mark the 10th anniversary of Lift Garage, a non-profit organization; bring your car for this benefit event.
- VTR in the fall.
- Jerry will host the Fall Colors Tour October 14, and we still need a volunteer for the High Tea in November.

Tech Sessions - Frank Weber. All sessions in the future unclaimed. Maybe Gene Simmons will be ready for the August session.

VTR Liaison - Greg Thompson, absent.

Intermarque Liaison - Glen Wilson, absent.

Webmaster - Bill Connell & Fred Olson, 100 recent event photographs posted on the website.

Historian - Bill Nelson. 100-year Triumph anniversary this year. On this day in history: In 1174 William I of Scotland was captured, in 1832 Henry Roe Schoolcraft discovered the source of the Mississippi River, in 1960 JFK was nominated, in 1978 Lee Iacocca was fired as Ford's president, and in 1985 there was the LIVE AID concert.

Vice President - Doug Foster, absent

Regalia - Dan Booth. Order anything through Dan via email.

Past President/Member-at-large - Chip Lederer, no report.

Ongoing Club Business

New Business -

- David is going to research getting grill badges for our club.
- A member asked about where to get a second key made, there were several local suggestions.
- Sarah Filipi, 612-232-5506 introduced herself as a professional photographer willing to photograph your car.

Door prizes.

Adjourn 7:44



## EVENTS CALENDAR

If you'd like to host an event think about a favorite antiques stop or day trip you like to take and let's make a club outing of it! Contact Bill Connell to get it added to the calendar.



Please see the events page on MN Triumphs website for more information about our different events and a google calendar with the events for the year. <http://www.mntriumphs.org/events.shtm> Or scan the QR code to go to the website.

### August

- 4 Healy Club track day at DCTC
- 4 Kiwanis Club benefit show 6-10 pm, St. Anthony Shopping Center, 2945 Pentagon Drive. \$15 at gate, \$10 if pre-registered by August 1. Car placement starts at 5pm. First 100 who enter will receive a goody bag and dash plaque. Fees will help support NE Kiwanis Club programs for area youth.
- 5 MN Triumphs Club Summer Picnic! Spring Lake Park Reserve, Hastings
- 10 Club Meeting
- 12 Tech Session - OPEN
- 12 Britfest - Hudson, Wisconsin
- 12 Minneapolis Mile Automotive Festival (Intermarque)
- 17-20 Rendezvous in the Black Hills - contact Bob Arnio at [rendezvousintheblackhills@gmail.com](mailto:rendezvousintheblackhills@gmail.com).
- 18 - We got a request to join a parade of vintage cars at the Senior Living Bloomington retirement home, 1:30-3:30. David Anderson and Alan Shilkrot have more information if you're interested in joining in.
- 20 Vintage car show at The Lift Garage in Minneapolis - Info and registration is on our club site here: <https://www.mntriumphs.org/events/lift-garage-car-show/>
- 27 MN Triumphs host the Intermarque Picnic - Cherokee Park

### September

- 9 Tech Session - OPEN
- 9 Wheels & Wings, Osceola, WI
- 14 Club meeting
- 22-24 Waumandee Time Trials - open to cars at least 20 years old
- 24 Intermarque Picnic - Cherokee Park
- 27-Oct 1 VTR National in Dillard, GA

### October

- 8 BMC Open House, Isanti, MN
- 12 Club Meeting
- 14 Tech Session - OPEN
- 14 - Fall Color Tour - Jerry Moehnke host
- TBD High Tea - Brandon & Libby are organizing. More info to come

## 2023 NORTH AMERICAN TRIUMPH CHALLENGE

SEPTEMBER 27 – OCTOBER 1, 2023  
DILLARD, GA

The **Georgia Triumph Association** and **British Auto Owners of Middle Georgia** are proud to host the 2023 North American Triumph Challenge (as it's correctly known), scheduled for September 27 – October 1, in Dillard, Georgia!

**Every Saturday: Intermarque breakfast:** currently meeting at Elsie's at 9am - 729 Marshall St. NE, Minneapolis, 55413 - See Intermarque calendar at <http://intermarque.org/index.php/event-calendar/>

# Hastings Car Show 2023

Once again the Triumph community showed up to help park cars at the car show held in conjunction with the Hastings Rivertown Days on Sunday the 23rd of July.



16 cars came out including Chip Lederer's striking dark, dark green TR3 fresh out of a multi-year restoration.

Thanks to all that came out!



## Amanda's Reunion With Her Spitfire - Larry Berg

Going back twenty-five years to 1998; Minnesota Triumphs were host to the VTR national convention in Hudson, Wisconsin. Gail and I oversaw registration and our fifteen-year-old daughter, Amanda, jumped right in and helped with everything that week. It was her first real contact with the Triumph world, and she decided right then and there that her first car would be a Triumph. It took about two weeks, but she did finally convince Dad and Mom that it was in fact a good idea. Kids can be so convincing. We found a nice 1980 Spitfire, listed in the want ads of the Minneapolis paper, my how things have changed in twenty years. We were able to drive the car home, about fifty miles, and then proceeded to get it roadworthy, new clutch and tires if I remember correctly.



Photo August 1998



Gene at Rendezvous 2023

The next summer we were off from Minnesota to the VTR national in Portland, Maine and Amanda and her friend Natty, now sixteen years old, drove the Spitfire without incident, except for a parking ticket in Ottawa. The Spitfire remained with Amanda through high school, college, and on into married life residing in Minneapolis, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas and Iowa, a well-traveled Spitfire. When the family became three with the addition of our granddaughter it was time to part with the Spit. Minnesota Triumph club member Gene Kimball purchased the car about ten years ago, so it technically is still in the family.

Amanda and her girlfriend decided to drive up to Minnesota from her home in Iowa and join us for Rendezvous in Ashland, WI for a weekend away from husbands and kids. After checking out the cars in the parking lot, Amanda came rushing into the lobby to tell mom and dad "My Spitfire is in the parking lot, I know it's mine and it's here in the lot". Gene saw the girls admiring "her car" and an immediate friendship was formed. It doesn't take long to get to know Gene, he is just that kind of guy. Gene offered to let the girls take "her car" on the poker run the following day, about one hundred miles. When asked how it was to get back behind the wheel of the Spit she said, "it was like putting on an old shoe".

Thanks again Gene you made her day.

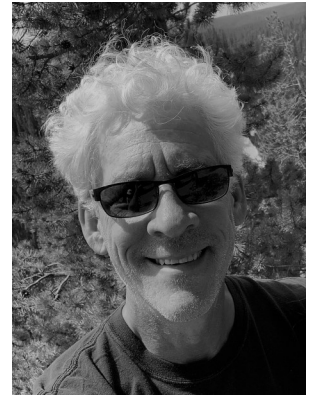
Larry Berg





# Dreams Realized

To start, I need to thank everyone that made the trip to Elkhart Lake to watch the races. One year ago, I bought Red 14 with the dream of entering the Kastner Cup at Road America and that dream was realized and it couldn't have been a better weekend! We counted 22 friends that made the trip, of which most are on the cover photo of Team Red. A special thank you to Joe Bisanz for having the Team Red shirts printed to top it off. I was blown away when I turned around and saw 8 of my smiling friends with Team Red shirts on. From our pit I could look up the hill and see a sea of red shirts sitting together watching the races. I couldn't be more pleased!



Team Red with us in the pits!



Minnesota TR members watching the races.

Following the May weekend race in Brainard that I wrote about in last month's newsletter, I raced the Father's day weekend at Blackhawk Farms in South Beloit, Illinois. My son was there and noticed how much more my car leaned in hard cornering than the other 2 TR4s on track. I knew things were not as stiff as they could be but when I started measuring the front and rear spring rates, I found the rears were stock TR4 leaves and the front were Roadster Factory uprated street coils rated at 295 pounds. I found a set of 550 lb coils with a 10" free height, the closest to what I needed and after installing, it raised the front by  $\frac{3}{4}$ ". They did not make a 9" tall spring so I took the lower A-arm and flipped them over which drops the ride height by a good inch. The front was now about a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " lower than before, perfect. For the rear leaves, I found no one that made an uprated spring as stiff as I wanted. I had an old pair of springs from a TR4 so I took them apart, cut the mounting loops off each end, and added it to the current springs I had. This stiffened it up but also raised it. I replaced the  $\frac{3}{4}$ " lowering blocks with a 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " block to get the ride height correct. Off to Road America with the new suspension, I hoped the balance would be good.



Turn 6 just past the Corvette bridge.



Due to attrition, the original 42 Triumphs entered had fallen to 35 cars. They used my Saturday's best lap time of 3:09.407, not the qualifying race finish to grid us. I was #24 on the starting grid behind a few cars I had passed in Saturday's race. I was right behind the Ambro bodied TR3 driven by Brendan Alexander, his best time had been 3:07.972 but he finished three places behind me. The Ambro has better balance as the engine is moved back in the frame but I have more straight line speed than him. Next to him on the outside was car number 13, a TR4 that had finished 4 places behind me but had a best lap of 3:06.874. I had



Start of Kastner Cup. I am 6 rows back on left

followed him during one of the qualifying sessions and he did not follow a traditional racing line and was all over the track. I wanted to get past him as quickly as I could. Next to me on the outside was a TR3, #74 with a 3:09.244 that had finished 5 places behind me in the Saturday race.



Heading into turn 5 on 3rd lap of Kastner Cup race.

My strategy was to use the pearl of wisdom that I had heard from Kastner Cup winning Tony Drews. First lap speeds are much slower so you can wait and out-brake your opponents into the first corner and pass a bunch of them. The theory is great but you need to have the track space in front to get past the other cars. On the start the 74-car got just ahead of me before we crossed the start/finish line and he had to back off as there was no room the squeeze between the Ambro and the 13-car. I stayed close to the Ambro down the straight and through turn one, we gained about 2 car lengths on the 13-car, with the 74 right behind him. Brendan stayed out front on the first lap gaining a few

car lengths but I closed the gap going down Kettle Bottoms and into Canada Corner. I stayed on his tail through turn 14 and passed him going up the hill on the front straight but he came along side me again going down the hill into turn 5 because I had to lift for the #17 Spitfire. I had to go wide and used all the rumble strips but stayed in it and beat him up the hill and under the Corvette bridge. Coming back around into Canada Corner he out-braked me and got ahead but I took him again on the front straight and never looked back. Next up was the that pesky Spitfire. I had used 3 laps to get past Brendan in the Ambro but I was finally feeling more comfortable on several of the faster corners and carrying more speed through them. Turn one speeds went from 57 mph on lap 2 to 68 mph on lap 7. I could see I was gaining on the Spitfire but I only had 4 laps to go. Finally on lap 6 I caught up to him. They weigh 400-500 pounds less so they can go much deeper into the corners before braking. I passed him on the final lap on the straight leading to turn 5 but he out-braked me and passed on the inside. I cut back to the inside going up under the Corvette Bridge and passed him going through turn 6. He stayed close till we got through the carousel but I gained a couple of car lengths by the time we got to Canada corner and I needed that distance as he made up that ground and was on my tail going through the last turn. I gained ground on him as we went up the hill and under the flag stand as the checkered flag was waved. My first Kastner Cup! I finished 22<sup>nd</sup> out of 35 and was very pleased. My in-car camera video can be found here on YouTube. [Greg Thompson Kastner-Cup2023 - YouTube](#)

*Greg*

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For more info visit [TheLiftGarage.org](http://TheLiftGarage.org) and click on EVENTS.

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**2023 NORTH AMERICAN**

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# TRIUMPH TRADER



## For Sale

Helping Ralph Zerbe liquidate his Collection of cars and shop full of equipment. Ralph now lives in France but will be home to help farm for 3 months starting June 14th. Also to clear out his shop and car collection. He tells me there is much more shop stuff and tools to be considered for your shop.

'59" Standard 10, restored, engine not running, \$10,500.00. "57" TR3 with 2 front. fenders and small mouth front shroud: \$8,500.00.

'59 Triumph Estate wagon, engine out, VERY Rare, Unabody, Extremely adorable! Have never seen another! \$3,500.00



'57 TR3 with 2 front. fenders and small mouth front shroud: \$8,500.00.

'58 TR3A restored frame, plus many body parts and pieces, no Tub, No Title, \$2,500.00.





## TRIUMPH TRADER



"63" Spitfire tub junk, many parts and pieces good, 1147cc engine, \$600.00

"68" Spitfire baby blue one in pictures, looks to be complete, 1296cc engine, good restoration project. \$2,000.00



"67" VW Bug, running and driving, good shape, respectable driver, \$14,500.00 Sold Separately not included in group sale.

All vehicles can be bought at a group price for \$24,000.00

All vehicles were kept indoors out of weather and still are along with shop equipment.

Contact Bob and Pat Kessler for more pictures or appointment to view or questions - 608-860-0613 email [bpbritish@aol.com](mailto:bpbritish@aol.com)



1972 TR6 for sale. Car runs well and we've had fun with it for the last 18 years. Currently has Miata seats, but price includes original TR6 seats, plus many miscellaneous parts, a Tonneau cover and hardtop (hardtop needs restoration). Located in Twin Cities suburb. Asking \$11,500. Call Bill 612-991-7136.

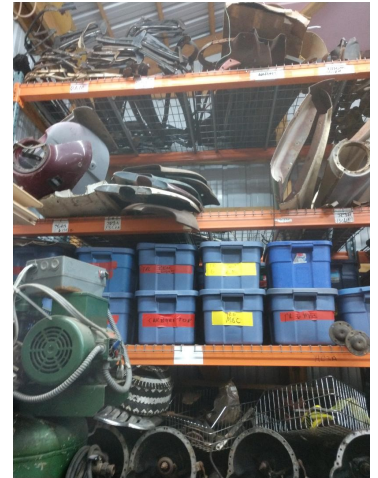




# TRIUMPH TRADER

**For Sale** I have many parts for all Triumphs. I have motors, frames, wheels and most other parts.

Email me at [wmorris11134@yahoo.com](mailto:wmorris11134@yahoo.com) or call me at 612-723-4602 or text. - Wayne Morris



## For Sale

Rare, authentic Ansa exhaust for 1972-1976 TR6 (Ansa part# TR0840). Twin down pipe, two mufflers/two resonators with 2 3/8" slash cut, chrome plated quad exhaust pipes. These are one of the last sets acquired before Ansa discontinued production (again) a couple of years ago. Less than 500 miles, like-new condition. They will fit fine over rear sway bars. Note they are significantly louder than stock, but these were attached to a high performance motor with aftermarket, free flowing, ceramic coated headers. They won't be as loud with a stock motor/exhaust manifold, but will still be louder than an OEM muffler. \$450 firm.

Contact Steve Greenstein @ 651-494-7214



## For Sale

**For TR7/8:** RH outer door handle (used). \$15. New \$30.  
TR7 RH interior lock assembly (used) \$12. Door handle link (used) \$5. New \$10.  
Door handle linkage clips (qty 10) \$7. Door seal \$60. Pinion oil seal \$2.  
**For Spitfire Mk1 & 2:** Valve guides (qty 8) \$24. Intake valves (qty 4) \$20.  
Exhaust valves (qty 4) \$20. Valve stem seals (qty 8) \$4.

Bill N. Nelson1\_2@msn.com

## For Sale

New in box TR6 aluminum valve cover, \$100.00.  
New classic look stainless luggage rack, \$50.00.  
Used stainless tr6 intermediate pipes (for dual exhaust conversion) \$20.00.  
Terry Neuman, 651-699-6833



## For Sale

1973 spitfire 1500; the engine does turn over; lots of extra parts; the undercarriage rusty; not sure about frame  
I live in Minnetonka by Ridgedale  
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\*paraphrased from "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre"

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club meeting or club event.  
Or contact membership chair at  
<membership@mntriumphs.org>



## OUTDOOR SHOW

- Come and go as you please
- Open to enjoy the summer weather
- Public voting section of the event
- Closer to the food trucks

**WELCOME BACK!**  
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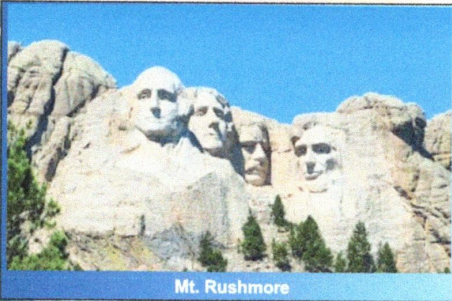
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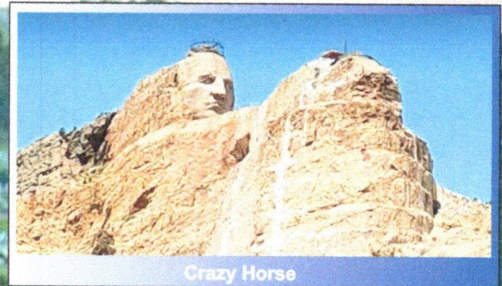


# Rendezvous in the Black Hills

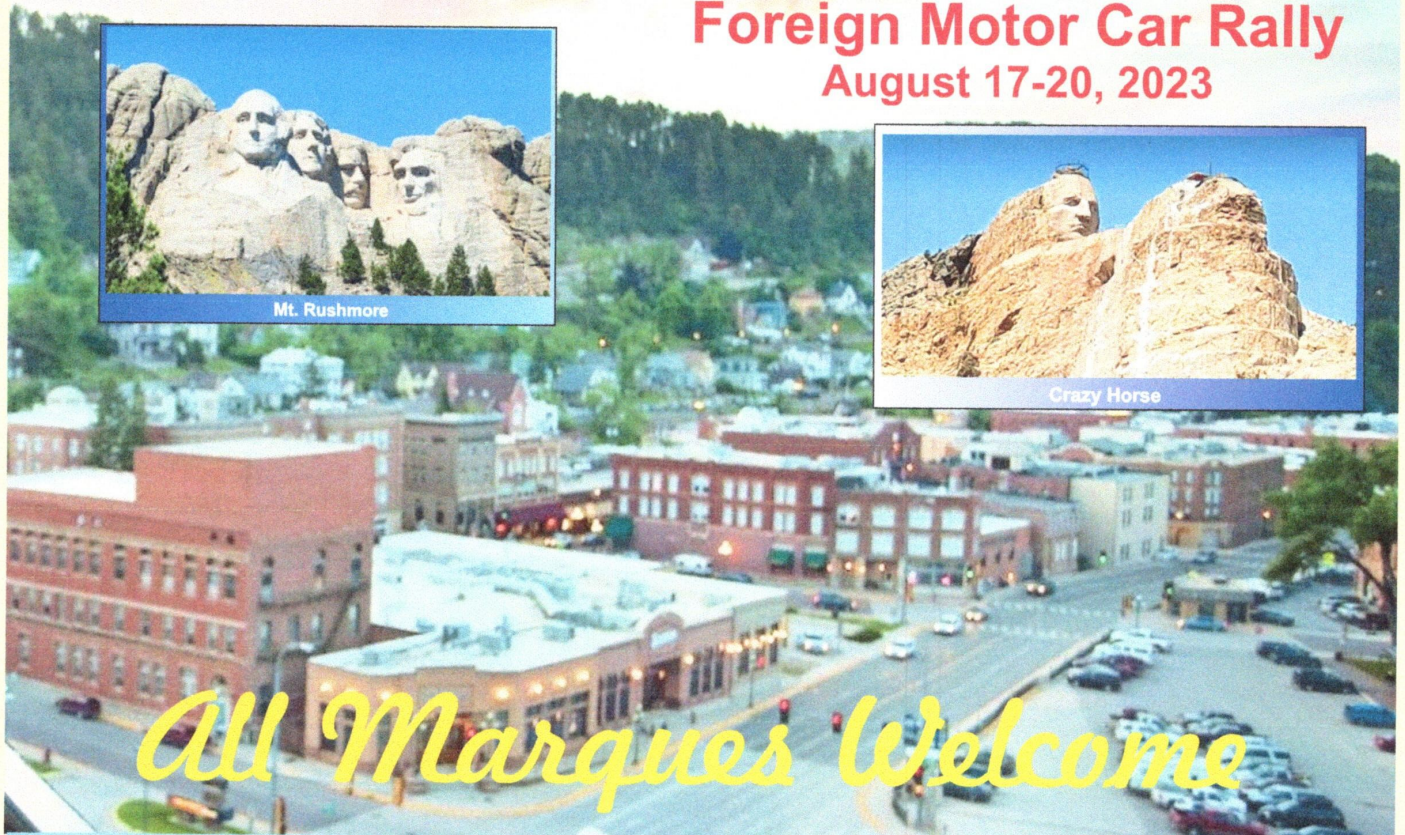
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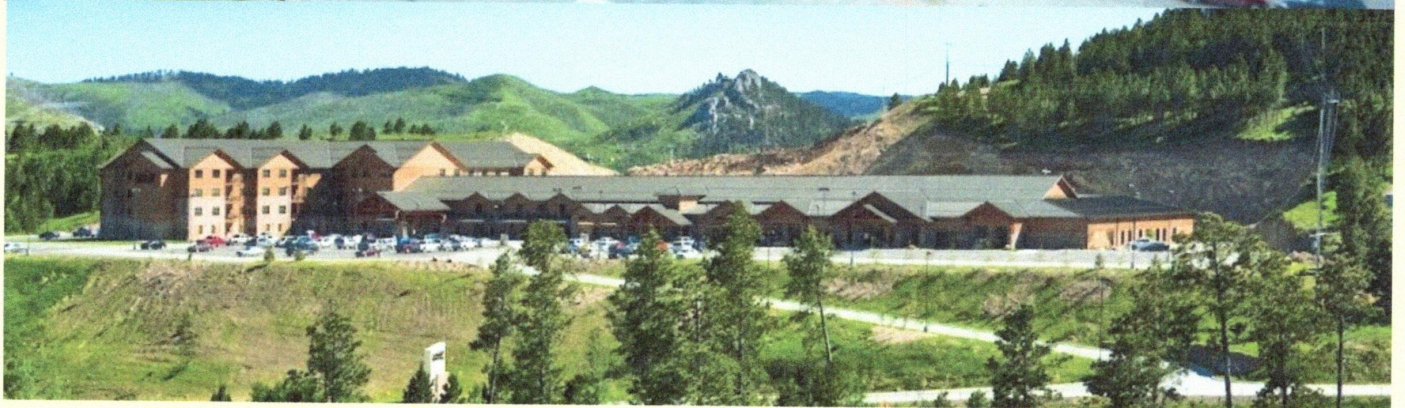
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## Website - Bill Connell

The MN Triumphs club website is: <https://www.mntriumphs.org>

**Website update:** I added a photo gallery to our Rendezvous page with over 100 photos from Mary Deeg. Check it out! <https://www.mntriumphs.org/2023-rendezvous/>

If you want to have your car featured on the site, send the story about your car and a photo or two, and I'll add it. Or, just send a photo and it can be in the rotating photos on the home page.

Please email your car photos and stories [webmaster@mntriumphs.org](mailto:webmaster@mntriumphs.org), or if you see anything missing, not working right, or if you have other ideas for new things to add.

Scan the QR code to go to the website listed above.



SCAN ME

## Membership - Mike Smith

The Minnesota Triumph club is always welcoming new members! We presently have 132 "household" memberships with over 200 members on our roster.

If you would like to become a new member, please do so through our website's "membership" page.

**Follow this link to register** <https://www.mntriumphs.org/about-the-minnesota-triumphs-sports-car-club/membership/>. Or join in person by attending a club meeting or event any-time. Annual membership fee is \$30 for up to two members in your household. New members receive one Triumph name badge, car window cling and access to our club events and email support group.

Mike Smith, Membership Chairperson  
[membership@mntriumphs.org](mailto:membership@mntriumphs.org)

## Regalia - Dan Booth

Minnesota Triumphs Club logo apparel is available on demand in many different styles, for men and women, with different logos and colors.

Contact our apparel coordinator Dan Booth to start an order, he can get you the item and logo you're looking for. Text or call 651-208-9355 or email [dbooth41@gmail.com](mailto:dbooth41@gmail.com)

See samples of Dan's work: [Mag-nolia Screen Printing Ink on Facebook](#) ; [Mag-nolia Screen Printing Ink on Instagram](#)



## Tech Sessions Available

If you have a Triumph project that you want or need help with, or you have an idea for a Tech Session please contact me at:

[frankj.weber3@gmail.com](mailto:frankj.weber3@gmail.com) or 952 934-0523.

Currently our Tech Session calendar is wide open for the rest of the year.



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### A Look In The Rearview Mirror

Submitted by Bill Nelson - Historian



5 years ago - August 2018

- From the minutes of the July 12, 2018 meeting. A few new members joined us. Erik Paulson introduced us to his lovely bride Susan. Brian Pichelman (proud owner of a '79 Spit) joined us for the meeting.
- We did it! The 2018 VTR National Convention is in the books. Greg Thompson and the rest of the club helpers put on one of the best VTRs. A beautiful location at the Radisson in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. Our vendors reported that they did very well. The banquet ended at 9:30 PM in a record setting time.
- Greg Gelhar made from scratch 6 gear shift knobs for Triumphs . Using donated walnut, white oak, rosewood and Shilling coins. The wood was lathe turned on a metal working lathe. The Marine varnish finish was also applied using the lathe. Then he set the coins in the top of the knobs. Greg also crafted some beautiful boxes to display the knobs in. The knobs were then sold at the VTR auction.
- Color photos credited to Joe Bisanz, Jon B. Meier and Bernadette M. and staff of the VTR were in the August newsletter.

10 years ago - August 2013

- From the Prez Release August 2013. Hear ye! Hear ye! Congratulations to the Brits - a fresh prince has arrived.
- From the minutes of the July 11, 2013 meeting. Total attendees: 35. 1-GT6+, 4-Spitfire, 1-Stag, 2-TR3, 4-TR4, 1-TR250, 7-TR6 and 1-TR8. Plus four more TR6 and TR8 showed up from Wisconsin.
- The Mystery Tour 2013 destination was the weekly Tuesday night car and bike show in Henderson, Mn.
- From the Triumph Trader. Pair of new, in the box SU carbs for Spitfire, 1-1/4 dia. \$525. Roger



Triumphs in the pits at Road America



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