



Central Oklahoma VTR Newsletter

November 2022

*An official chapter of the Vintage Triumph Register Established in 1982*

*“Enjoy the Ride”*



Jean Scott Gauldin's "Julius"



**Upcoming Central Oklahoma VTR Events:**

**Nov 5 -Ponca City Veteran's Day Parade; Ponca City.  
Hosted by Kip Miles/Lonny Wall**

**Nov 8th– Triumph Club Meeting**

**Pelican's Restaurant MWC**

**November 12th- Hallett Racing Veterans Celebration.  
Hosted by Steve England.**

**December 10—Christmas Party Bricktown. Hosted by  
Greg and Susan Tiffany.**

## **Details of Upcoming Events:**

### **Ponca City Veterans Day Parade— November 5**

The Ponca City Veterans Day Parade is to honor all Veterans who have served and are still serving. Those driving a Triumph will have the opportunity to give veterans a ride to the parade and to lunch that is provided. This is a personally rewarding event as the escorted Veterans in our Triumphs receive very special treatment. **Lonny Wall will lead a caravan from On Cue in Edmond at Fifteenth and I-35 on November 5th at 8 am. Text or call him at 405-206-3900 if you plan to meet him there.**

### **Triumph Club Meeting—November 8th**

**Pelicans Restaurant—291 N Air Depot Blvd, MWC.**

**5:30-7:00 visiting and eating 7:00 Meeting**

### **Hallett Racing Veterans Celebration— November 12**

Hallett Motor Racing Circuit (HMRC) recognizes the need to thank, inspire, and support our veterans. To fulfill those ends, HMRC is devoting a specific day to honor them: the HMRC Veterans Celebration Day! Scheduled for November 12th, 2022, and lasting from 9AM to 4PM, the HMRC Veterans Celebration Day will feature free high speed rides around the track in sports cars for veterans, a car show with all types of cars and trucks, parade laps, and other fun and family friendly activities. All veterans, active duty military personnel, and guests wishing to support veterans are invited: veterans attend for free (with proof of service) and guests can attend for a nominal \$10 per person admission fee.

**Steve England will be meeting at the “On Cue” at N. Portland (Highway 74) and NW 164th at 7:00 am. The early start is to get to Hallett and register for the car show before 10:00 am. Anyone interested in caravanning to Hallett should text me at 405-229-6459. My email is: [sjengl73@hotmail.com](mailto:sjengl73@hotmail.com) Click the following link for further details.**

**<https://www.hallettracing.net/hmrc-veterans-celebration-day>**

### **Nominating Committee Chose Slate of Officers**

Lonny Wall announced that the Nominating Committee for COVTR Officer Nominations/ Elections for the coming calendar year has convened in his garage and have selected the slate of officers. Committee members serving are: Lonny Wall, Mike Piggott and John Colson. The slate of officers will be announced at the November meeting.

The membership of COVTR will vote to affirm the selections at the November meeting.

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### MISSION STATEMENT

*The Central Oklahoma Vintage Triumph Register (C.O.V.T.R.) was established in 1982 by Triumph owners and enthusiasts for the purpose of preserving the future of the Triumph Marque. Triumph ownership is encouraged but not a prerequisite for membership. The C.O.V.T.R. sponsors a monthly meeting, monthly SOB's, car shows, road tours, technical inspections and lots of fun.*

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## Chili Cook Off

By Jan Colson

The 2022 Chili Cook Off was a big hit. We had 7 pots of chili. They were all amazing and different. It was hard to vote on just one. Sanda Feken won the best chili. Prize was a Panera gift card. We had some pretty amazing desserts. There was talk about voting on those as well. Being a big football weekend we still had a pretty good turnout of around 20. We were excited to see that Dave Hogan was able to join us. He is still very limited in mobility but is making the best of it. We will try to plan a better date next year in hopes more will join us. Start sharpening your recipes. It is a tough competition.







Trip to Hajek Museum in Ames, OK.

By Lonny Wall

This was a late addition to our event schedule. We met in Edmond and departed for Enid at 7:30 am. Traveling for this first leg was myself (Lonny Wall), Hunter and Jenny Rench, John and Jennifer Baron and Tony Brewer of the MG club. We arrived at Kip Miles place in Enid, where we had coffee and donuts provided by Kip and along with a number of folks from the Enid area, departed for the short drive to the Hajek Motorsports Museum in Ames. Dennis Ekhoust and his step-son Riley met us there. We were greeted by Mr. Hajek and his wife and were treated to a guided tour of the cars and memorabilia on drag racing, NASCAR racing, and Bonneville speed record cars on display there. The museum houses millions of dollars worth of cars. There were cars from the 60's to the present day, all restored and in the livery of their glory days. It was a bright clean, well appointed facility that you would not expect to see in a small Oklahoma town. After seeing the cars and memorabilia, our group left for Enid for lunch. We ate at the Tropicana Lounge for beverages and excellent burgers. We departed Enid and were back home in time to catch a little football.







Mike Piggott and Mark driving "The Reverend" on the "Rattler"



A visit to the National Cemetery in Ft. Gibson



Club members at Pizza Hut



John Gauldin and Elvis at the Boomerang

### Fall Foliage Tour

By Mike Piggott

Fifteen people enjoyed the COVTR Fall Foliage Tour including two from Green Country Triumphs and two of our grandchildren. On Friday evening, the group enjoyed a meal at the Pizza Hut. On Saturday morning, John Gauldin led a breakfast run to the Boomerang.

We departed the Western Hills Lodge (now known as Sequoyah Lodge) and headed down Highway 80, "The Rattler" to Fort Gibson and the Fort Gibson National Cemetery (a highlight of the tour). We enjoyed lunch at Buffalo Wild Wings in Tahlequah and then struck out north on Scenic route 10 along the Illinois River. We missed our turn near Kansas, OK and added about sixty miles to the tour heading west on Scenic 412 and then south on Route 82 to a delightful drive down **Old Lost City Road**. A wonderful peek at rural Americana! Beautiful colors but drizzling rain all day long.

# Dues Reminder!

**Membership money is due as of January 1, 2023 \$15.00 per individual/\$30 for a couple . We do not send invoices but receipts are available. Please remit to:**

**Mike Piggott  
4600 Gracelann  
Shawnee, OK 74804**

**We have approximately 75“dues paying” members/23 active members for insurance purposes. Many of our members are only “inactive” because of geographical locations. Thanks to all our faithful supporters /members!**

# COVTR now on Facebook

## How do I join the COVTR Group?

To join a group, go to COVTR Group and click Join Group in the top right corner. This will send a request to join to Drew Holliday. Drew will accept the request to join the group.



Keep in mind when you join the COVTR Group:

- People may see when you join a public or closed group or that you're a member of that group, like in News Feed or search.
- When someone adds you to a public or closed group, other may see that you have been invited (ex: News Feed or search). Once you visit a group you are invited to, you will become a member and other people may see you joined.

## COVTR Rules:

- This is a group for COVTR activities and fun things that our members do with our cars, pictures of cars, fun Triumph postings, technical articles, events, etc.
- Please post other items on your personal pages and invite folks to be friend on Facebook.

*Drew Holliday*



# Minutes of COVTR Membership Meeting

## October 11, 2022

**Officers Present:** President – Andrew Holliday, Treasurer – Mike Piggott, Secretary – Dave Hogan

**Location:** Pelican's Restaurant, Midwest City, OK

**Members present:** 26

**Guests:** None

**Meeting Opening:** President Drew Holliday opened the meeting at 6:38 PM. Dave Hogan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Secretary Meeting Minutes:** Margaret White motioned that we should accept the minutes of the September 2022 club meeting as printed in the Triumph Trails newsletter, seconded by Doug White. Motion passed.

### **Membership Report – Dave Hogan**

New member Steve Brooks, Edmond, OK – 1976 TR6 welcomed to club by attending members.

### **Treasurer's Report – Mike Piggott**

Mike Piggott read the September Treasurer's Report.

Main expenses were: Liability Insurance and Progressive Dinner costs

Lonny Wall made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read with Judy Piggott seconding the motion. Motion passed.

### **Activities Report – Mike Piggott**

Mike Piggott thanked Jan & Colson for stepping up to host the **Chili Cookoff** at their home in place of the Hogan's due to Dave's injury from a fall in his garage. The Chili Cookoff was well-attended with 22 individuals and 7 Chili entries. This event gets bigger each year. The winner of the Cookoff was Chili # 7 – presented to Sandra Feken.

The **Brits in the Ozarks** event was conducted in Fayetteville, AR on September 22-24 and was attended by several of our COVTR members including: Mike Piggott and grandson Mark attended in his Bug-Eyed Sprite, Jim Glidewell in his prize winning TR3, and new member Steve Brooks for his Triumph winning motorcycle.

Other COVTR attendees included John Gauldin, Dennis Eckout, John, Donna and Jennifer Barron, Art Graves and GCT members John Phillips and Al Bargart.

**Minutes continued.....**

### **Upcoming Activities/Events**

The **Fall Foilage Tour** to the Lodge at Sequoyah State Park in Hulbert, OK on **October 28, 29 and returning on the 30**. Additional information can be found in the September Triumph Trails newsletter.

The Ponca City **Veterans Day Parade** is planned again for this year on **November 5** in Ponca City, OK. Hosts are Kip Miles and Lonny Wall. This is a personally rewarding event as the escorted Veterans in our Triumphs receive very special treatment. This event will be hosted by Lonny Walls and Kip Miles.

The annual **Christmas Party** is planned for the Bourbon Street Café, on California Street in Bricktown, OKC on **December 10** at 5 PM.

### **Old Business**

None discussed.

### **New Business**

Lonny Wall announced that the Nominating Committee for COVTR Officer Nominations/ Elections for the coming calendar year has not yet convened for their deliberations. Committee members serving are: Lonny Wall, Mike Piggott and John Colson.

### **Bitch & Brag**

Mary Jo Hogan commented that today is husband Dave Hogan's 76<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Jennifer Barron thanked Lonny Wall for providing assistance with the efforts to get Jennifer's Spitfire running again.

### **Door Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded at next meeting due to delayed delivery of meals by our waitress at the restaurant.

### **Meeting Closure**

Judy Piggott made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Mary Jo Hogan. Motion passed.

Drew Holliday closed the meeting at 6:52 PM.

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