

## A Brief History of the Triumph Marqué

Siegfried Bettman set out to build and sell bicycles in about 1885. He offered his first motorcycle for sale in 1902, having a 2.25HP motor. It was a Triumph. The Triumph name has been on motor cars since 1923 and after many financial problems, the company was purchased by the Standard Company in 1945. A Triumph sports car was introduced in 1952 to compete with MG and Jaguar. This led to much success and a range of sports cars from the TR 2 to the modern wedge shaped TR 7, having a 2 liter overhead cam 4 cylinder engine, and the TR 8 having a 3.5 liter aluminum V-8 engine. Spitfires, derived from the Herald chassis, were also popular, and claim the record for the highest production volume Triumphs.

In addition to sports cars, the Standard-Triumph Company built economical small cars, such as the Standard 8 and 10, the Herald and TR 1300. It also built larger saloons and estate wagons such as the TR 2000 and 2.5. Grand Touring cars such as the GT-6, and the luxurious Stag with its integrated roll bar and full fold down top or metal convertible hard top with a unique 3 liter single overhead aluminum head V-8. Standard Triumph was in turn swallowed up by what became British Leyland Motor Company, and by 1981, the marqué was put to pasture with the last production Triumph rolling off the line in October.



## Keeping Triumphs on the Road

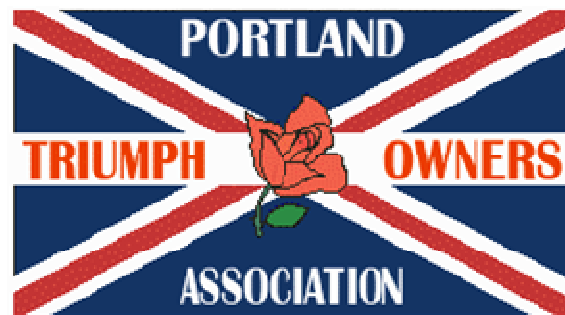


### Portland Triumph Owners Association

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Portland Triumph Owners Association  
was founded in 1972  
in the interest of  
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Today, the marqué is owned by BMW through its acquisition of Rover. Rumors abound that the marqué will be resurrected. For us, however, the old cars are the best.

# About PTOA

The **Portland Triumph Owners Association**, founded in 1972, is a group of about two hundred enthusiasts in Oregon and southwest Washington interested in preserving and enjoying all models of Triumph automobiles. Owning a Triumph is not a requirement for membership. The club tries to offer something for everyone, including:

- Monthly Meetings  
8PM 1st Monday of each Month  
Stark Street Pizza,  
92nd & S.E. Stark St.
- Monthly newsletter, "Triumph TRAX"
- Driving tours on back roads to points of interest
- Social activities such as Member's Night Out and the Annual Banquet
- Technical clinics and tips

Participation in annual car shows including the All Triumph Drive-In, the Portland Historic Races, the Portland All British Field Meet (Labor Day weekend), and the Northwest Car Collectors Show.

Best of all, however, is the spirit of friendship and camaraderie shared between enthusiasts of the Triumph marque. Our events are never closed to non-members. See our Activities Calendar, posted on our website, for a list of upcoming events. Pick out an event and come join us - we're looking forward to meeting you.

## JOIN US AND JOIN THE FUN!

- **ANNUAL DUES:** \$20.00 per year (March 1st thru February 28th)
- **NEW MEMBERS:** Please add one-time initiation fee of \$10.00.

Paid membership entitles you to full membership privileges including our monthly news-letter, the "TRAX", a membership card, our Association pin and decal, and discounts at selected parts houses.

Fill it out and send in the application on the right to the address below.

*Or better yet, if you're able, bring it to our monthly meeting and get to know us in person!*

PTOA Membership Chairman  
PO Box 33140  
Portland, OR 97292-3140



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse or S.O. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please check your preferred delivery method for the monthly Newsletter "Triumph TRAX":

Postal Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**TRIUMPHS OWNED:**

(You do *not* need to own a Triumph to join.)

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

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**NEW MEMBER Dues Calculation.....**

Membership dues \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Initiation fee

**\$10.00**

**TOTAL (Dues plus initiation fee)** \_\_\_\_\_

Remit Payment to address on left

*Renewing members contact Membership Chair*