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## **Jerry and Louise Popp in their 1980 Triumph TR8**

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**TRIUMPH CLUB OF NORTH FLORIDA**

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		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monthly Reminders</b> Pub club meeting December 4, at <b>King's Head Pub</b>, St. Augustine on US 1 about 5 miles north of the city. Look for the <b>Red Double-decker bus</b>. Time: 1:00—4:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">All Members are invited and encouraged to come.</p>	

## President's Corner

To all Club members, a merry and memorable Christmas, and a happy, peaceful and **TRIUMPH**ant 2006. I look forward to seeing many of you at Gerry and Louise Popp's Club Christmas party on Dec.10th.

Sometimes I get disappointed, even concerned, that paid up Club members do not take part in our Club events. Witness last month's Rallye, into which Norm and Sue Reimer put a lot of preparation. The event was great but five cars is all we could muster, though two more had to scratch at the last moment.

Now, I have been around enough volunteer and non-profit organizations in my time to know that not everyone can show for all events; but we have perhaps two dozen running Triumphs in the Club, yet it seems we only have eight or ten regular or semi regular folks participating.

All of which makes me wonder what benefits a lot of folks are joining the Club for in the first place? For me it is the chance to drive with other owners, to chit chat and have fun in a very informal environment. I certainly have had fun and made some good friends into the bargain!

I just hate that some of you go to great lengths to create a nice event that not enough people take advantage of. Once again, solutions or comments are welcome. But most of all, please consider joining us in 2006. You, we and the event organizers too, will enjoy our cars so much more.

**Graham Thomas**

## Christmas Party

**Date:** December 10, 2005

**Time:** 4:00 p.m.

**Where:** At Jerry and Louise Popp's house

Home phone: 904-287-1891

Jerry's Cell: 887-9102

Louise's Cell 887-9101

### Directions

From I95 exit 329, County Road 210.

Second exit south of 295-95 interchange.

Go west 2 miles.

Turn left into Stonehurst Subdivision.

Take second left, Beckingham.

Take first right onto Woodchurch.

Fifth house on the right.

**R.S.V.P.** please we'll let you know what to bring

### Rally Results

- Jerry and Louise Popp 15 incorrect responses, 57 miles, 2 hours and 35 minutes.
- Angelo and Anitra Guzman 15 incorrect responses, 51 miles, 2 hours and 25 minutes
- Graham and Janett Thomas 9 incorrect responses, 45 miles, 2 hours and 50 minutes
- David and Kelly Finkelstein 9 incorrect responses, 43 miles, 1 hour and 58 minutes
- Lance and Gloria Brazil 6 incorrect responses, 43 miles, 2 hours and 28 minutes

### Member Profile—Jerry and Louise Popp

The Popp's have had their 1980 Triumph TR8 since 1998. Jerry and his son have done most of the work on the car including: rebuilt the power steering pump and front end. They have had the interior and carpeting replaced. Special features are a Holley carburetor and headers.

Last year on the trip to Armaugh, PA. the A/C idler pulley came off while going down the road and with all members helping it was still not located. Since They never ride with the top up, they have never bothered to fix it and have just added vents for more cool air while driving. Jerry says he will let Louise drive the TR8 when he has all the bugs worked out.





## The Rally

Slow Down! Pull Over! Can you read that? There it is! We don't have time to get gas and for you to go to the bathroom! Just a few of the things I was saying to Lance as we went on the rally. I have to admit he was patient and we didn't scream at each other as he drove along.

He did have to remind me several times it was called a rally and not a *scavenger hunt*. As we started out we made a couple of wrong turns (he wouldn't believe me when I told him where to go) but then we got on the right track and did not have too many wrong turns. We began to get the feel of how a rally goes and were starting to look at what was three or four items down the list to see if we were headed down the right path.

We had an advantage because we had ridden our bikes all over the area covered, and what we had not seen on bikes, I am familiar with because of my business. However, I must say that I did see things that in my many travels I had never noticed.

The most fun was when we all met and had dinner and drinks together at Culhane's Irish Pub. We have been there a few times but it was more fun going there with friends. All-in-all it was a great afternoon and an evening well spent.

—Gloria Brazil

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Car Information  
Year Model Comm #

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Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Please circle interest in:  
Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Tech Sessions Autocross  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Social Events Tours  
Fun Rallyes Car Show  
VTR Member? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ T-S-D Rallyes Races

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