

Funcours Judging

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Many items create a successful car-judging event. This document contains the elements used during and adapted from previous car-judging events.

Documents

Judging Action Plan – explains what will happen

Program Notes – OPTIONAL to be printed in the program

Expenses

List of Judges

Participants Instructions and Peoples Choice Ballot – for registration packet

Car Judging Form – used by the judges

Judges special award form

Participant Excel file from registration team – from Registration team

Excel Spreadsheet for award computation – built by Armand with Participant file information

Summary article and Thanks to the Judges

Judging Action Plan

Show Area

1. Review registration information to determine the size of each group
2. Walk show area to determine available space and group placement.
3. Explain car group parking plan to judges in judge meeting.

Judges

1. Two or three judges are needed per car group.
2. Judges are recruited before and during Triumphest.
3. A judge roster is maintained to track judge commitments/participation
4. A judging meeting will be held the day before the show. Judging criteria will be presented and discussed during the meeting. The show area plan will be reviewed

Car Groups – coordinate with Kathy Nuss

Car groups provide a classification system to simplify the car placement before the show and ease the judging process. Registration assigns three digit entry numbers with the first number being the car group number. The car group numbers are:

1. Pre 1953 Historic
2. TR2. TR3. TR3A and TR3B
3. TR4, TR4A, TR5 and TR250
4. TR6
5. TR7 and TR8
6. Spitfire and GT6
7. Stag, Herald, Vitesse and other Triumphs
8. Competition and highly modified Triumphs

For example, a 1969 GT6+ registration number would be 6XX; a TR250 registration number would be 3XX.

Judging Process

1. Judges will assist with directing cars to their show location starting at 7:00 a.m.
2. Judging will start when the show opens at 8:00 a.m. Judges will work together on each car and average the total points awarded. An adhesive dot placed on the windshield will indicate that a judge team has judged the car. Judges will report the average total points via their form to Armand for each car.
3. Judges will also submit their special awards choices to Armand.
4. Participants will place their participant choice ballots in a collection box for Armand to tally.
5. Armand will enter the total points for each car into the Excel spreadsheet and analyze the variability between judge groups. If needed, Armand will adjust entire car group scores for particularly "hard" or "easy" judge teams.

Awards Process – coordinate with Kathy Nuss

1. Each entrant will receive their award plaque at the registration table when they register.
2. The engraved award level banner (gold, silver, bronze or participant) for their plaque will be given out during the banquet. Alternatively, the banner could be engraved with the a participant's name, car and award level.
3. Each entrant will receive the form completed by the judge team for their car after the awards are announced.

Program Notes

History of the judging event and past judging stories might fit here... Coordinate with Mike Long in time for submission and proofreading.

Expenses

The following items need to be procured and may involve a financial expenditure:

1. Adhesive Dots to indicate a car has been judged
2. Printing of Judges forms and instructions
3. Parking area group designation signs
4. Sidewalk chalk for marking car group parking areas (with assigned parking?) on pavement
5. Thank you gifts for the judges

List of Judges

Name	Commitment Date	Judging Preference
Jim Bauder	June 12	
Virgil Cole	June 14	TR 250

Triumphs Are Forever Funcours Participant Instructions and People's Choice Ballot

Please carefully read and follow these instructions.

- Judging will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m. Saturday. Car placement opens at 7:00 a.m. Please have your car in place and ready for viewing no later than 7:45 a.m.
- Cars must be driven to the judging area since no trailers will be admitted. Racing vehicles without exhaust muffling systems should be pushed into place. All cars must be backed into assigned spots as directed by a show official.
- Bonnets and boots must be open to allow for judging. Failure to raise your bonnet or boot will result in zero points for those judging categories. You may lower your bonnet or boot after your car is judged.
- All displays should be arranged at the front of your car.
- Cars can be displayed with their convertible tops up, or displayed in front of the car. Windows must be open and rolled down. Side curtains must be removed and placed as part of your display.
- Display your car registration number on your windscreen. Include any information you feel will be helpful to the judges.
- Please do not communicate with the judges while they are viewing your car. Badgering the judges or offering insultingly insufficient bribes could drastically reduce your score! The judges will leave an adhesive dot on your windscreen when they finish judging your car.
- Have fun, vote someone else's car for people's choice, and enjoy the show!

Triumphs Are Forever People's Choice Ballot

**I believe entry number _____
Should receive the People's Choice Award**

Please place this in the ballot box by 10:30 a.m.

Triumphs Are Forever Funcours Judging Form

Car Registration Number _____ Model _____

The purpose of this event is to have fun. Cars are judged against a standard instead of each other. If the car is well done, clean and shows attention to detail, it has a good chance of winning an award. Modifications that are well executed and appropriate will not be counted against the car.

Engine Compartment (20 Points Possible) Clean, neat, appropriately finished, no leaks, and wiring in good condition with any accessories and modifications neatly done and well laid out. **Closed bonnets receive no points.** 20 _____

Exterior (40 Points Possible) Parts obviously missing such as bumpers and lights cause points to be deducted. Parts removed to enhance appearance and body modifications will not count against the score if they are tastefully done and they fit the character of the car. **Tops must be up or placed with side curtains that are displayed in front of the car.**

Paint and Body	15	_____	
Chrome and Trim		15	_____
Wheels and Tires		5	_____
Top or Headliner, Side Curtains, Tonneau, etc.	5	_____	

Interior and Boot (40 Points Possible) Overall appearance is what counts most. Clean neat interiors with no tears or rips will receive more points. **Windows must be rolled down to judge the interior.**

Closed boos receive no points

Steering Wheel, Dashboard, Instruments and Controls	10	_____	
Door panels, Dash pad, Crash pads, and Wind lace		10	_____
Seats		10	_____
Carpets and Mats		5	_____
Boot		5	_____

Display (5 Extra Points Possible) The usual stuff will receive a few extra points. Really creative displays will receive all five extra points. 5 _____

Total Score _____

Award	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Points	70 to 79	80 to 89	90 to 105

Judges Initials _____

Triumphs Are Forever Special Awards Judging Form

Judges Name: _____

Funcours Judges decide which car receives the following awards. Please add any notes you wish to share about your choices to the back of this form.

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Best Parts Car

This is the Triumph you would like to find if you were doing a ground up restoration and needed a few (or all the) parts. Basically, this is a complete car ready for restoration to its original glory.

Car Registration Number _____ **Model** _____

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I just drove it here!

If you hate prepping your car for a show, this is the award for you. Daily drivers that get washed no more than three times a year are prime candidates for this award. If you are caught using a toothbrush to remove the wax from your chrome spoke nipples, you won't win this one! If you have not washed your Triumph in over a year, then you may take this award home.

Car Registration Number _____ **Model** _____

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Second Ugliest Triumph

Since there is no such thing as a really ugly Triumph, the judges will decide which Triumph just does not appeal to them.

Car Registration Number _____ **Model** _____

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J. C. Whitney Award

This award is given for adorning your Triumph with one or more add-on trinkets. Nifty stuff like fuzzy dice, cruise control, curb feelers, mileage computers, massive sound systems, excessive blinking lights or whatever will contribute to your chances of winning this award.

Car Registration Number _____ **Model** _____

Triumphs Are Forever

Funcours Program Notes

By Armand LaCasse

Welcome to the 2007 Triumphest. And now a few words with a little history from your Funcours Chief Judge...

My first Triumph car show was in 1982 in Del Mar, California. Digger Davit and I drove Spitfires from Arizona over to the coast. Digger being the wonderful soul he was managed to have someone loan him a Spit so he could drive a Triumph to the event. In the front row on that lush green grass judging area were the Concours TR2s and 3s. In the second row were the Daily Driver TR2s and 3s. Digger and I – you guessed it – were alone in the back row next to the weeds in the orphan class. There were no awards for the orphans to bring home...

In October 1983, I bought my TR3A restoration project from Bob Schaller. I still have that car and “restoration project” is still an accurate description! I only mention this because I do not remember attending the show in 1983 and I do not have an award from this show on the back wall of my garage. I missed the 1984 TRA West presented by DCTRA in Phoenix because I knew my fiancé would really like me to attend our wedding that same weekend instead!

Triumphest 1985 was held in Palm Desert, California and I attended with my Spitfire. No award for the Spit this year. However, with some engineering assistance from Bob Schaller and some paint & body magic from Digger Davit, I did take home the President’s Award for building and presenting the TR2 Trailer.

Triumphest 1986 was organized by SCTOA, held in Pismo Beach, California, and again I attended with my Spitfire. Something was different though. The program said:

Funcours Auto Show – Not your usual “one winner” event. Cars will be judged, not against each other, but against a standard. Everyone is a potential winner. There will be some fine examples of the breed. Come look, learn and enjoy. Although this is an experimental type of car show, we feel it will work well. As it has never been tried before, please bear with us if problems arise. Approach it as fun, and we will all be winners!

Could this be the year the Spit goes home with a show award? I just checked the garage wall and I did get an award that year – for first place driver in the Fun Rallye!

It has been my pleasure to organize the Funcours for your continued fun-car-show enjoyment this year. This is the fourth (maybe fifth) time I have taken on this project to support the DCTRA Triumphest organizers. If you have any questions or comments, please let me know. And since the show turns 21 years old this year, you are welcome to buy me an adult beverage in celebration of this fun event! Enjoy the show.

Triumphs Are Forever

Summary Article

(Sample)

The show was only yesterday and it could not have happened without the volunteer judges. My sincere thanks to them for their willing help which made the Funcours a success. The judges were:

Roger Guzowski
Mike Thomas
Rich Hammon
Ron Strong
Chris Strong
Marie Thompson
Deta Hampsh
John Nuss
Kathy Nuss
Amy Hatcher
Bev Peterson
Pete Peterson
Ken Schmidt
Rick Amundsen

The judges judged 116 cars and awarded 12 bronze, 14 silver and 82 gold awards. Twenty-six of the gold awards scored 100 or more points out of a possible 105 points. These awards are listed elsewhere in this newsletter.

Other awards given were:

Peoples Choice: 19xx TR250 owned by _____ (#298)

Presidents Award: 1935 Gloria Southern Cross owned by _____ (#325)

Best Parts Car

I just drove it here

Second Ugliest Triumph

J. C. Whitney Award

Thanks again to everyone who helped make the Funcours a success.

Armand LaCasse