



Lakeland Motor Museum kicks off the start of The Club Triumph Coast 2 Coast Run

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Lakeland Motor Museum was the starting point for Club Triumph's Coast 2 Coast Run...

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The Lakeland Motor Museum provided the starting off point for a long-distance Coast to Coast driving route for owners and members of Club Triumph this June.

On midsummers day, 39 beautifully maintained triumphs set out from the museum on an endurance drive of over 450 miles from Cumbria to the town of Lowestoft on the Norfolk Coast.

Taking up to 12 hours to complete, the route travelled through some of the UK's most scenic landscapes and notable driving routes including the Forest of Bowland, the Yorkshire Dales and Lincolnshire Wolds. Chosen for the minimal traffic and picturesque scenery, the route finally ends in Norfolk at a hotel known locally for its renowned breakfasts.

Drivers met up for the start of the route at the Lakeland Motor Museum, where they were welcome to explore the fascinating attraction which is home to over 30,000 exhibits including the attraction's own collection of Triumphs. The museum hosts seven of the brand's motorcycles on display, from a 1918 Model H Motorcycle used in WW1 to a Jubilee Bonneville celebrating 25 years of Queen Elizabeth's reign. Plus a 90-year-old recumbent



Triumph bicycle, a '73 Series IV Spitfire and a highly original, unrestored TR5, with Surrey Hardtop.



Prior to setting off, there were opportunities to admire the other cars in the group, network with fellow enthusiasts and also 'fuel' up on delicious treats at the on-site Café Ambio, which had prepared a special menu to enable swift service before the drivers got underway on their epic journey.

Commenting on the event, Museum curator, Chris Lowe said: "It's over 40 years since the last Triumph was built and it was great to see such a fine array of models being used as the designers intended. Despite the often-repeated jibes about British Leyland unreliability they all made it to their destination. What also jumped out to me, used to modern car parks full of black, white and silver cars, is array of bold colours on show, and the cars made an impressive sight as they left the museum in the early evening light.

Chris Shaw from Club Triumph said: "Lakeland Motor Museum provided a fantastic starting point for our members. Not only does the museum have a strong history for hosting Triumph events, it also has ample parking for our members to easily gather prior to setting off."



The Lakeland Motor Museum

The Museum is the home of a unique collection of 30,000 exhibits, including more than 150 classic cars and motorbikes. There's also the popular riverside Café Ambio on site - where enthusiasts can take a break from their vehicles and enjoy a refreshing meal.

It also has special displays honouring the historic speed record exploits of Sir Malcolm and Donald Campbell. Highlights include full sized replicas of the 1935 Bluebird car and the 1967 jet hydroplane Bluebird K7.

Entry is £12.50 (adults) and £7.50 (children).



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