

New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club
Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



The Thunder Heard

May 2016

2016 Meeting Schedule

May 22	Vince Ucci & Julia
May 15	Spring Cruise
June 26	Tune Up Clinic
June 26	Bruce & Eileen Corbett
July	Joe & Arlene Kubat
August 14	Picnic
Sept	Henry & Judy Semmler
October	Don Dobres
October 16	Fall Cruise

The May meeting will be hosted by Vince Uccia and Julia on May 22nd at 2PM.

If you cannot host your meeting as scheduled, it is your responsibility to get someone to switch with.
 Please let Joanne Seiler know at least **2 months** before your scheduled month that **YOU WILL BE HOSTING** the meeting and give the date/time/etc.



President's Message



We are finely into car season (well, almost, but it won't be long) Have a safe season.

As most have heard, Don Dobres, has had another tragedy. His home suffered a terrible fire, consuming most of it. He got out ok, which we are thankful for. Don we are here to help any way we can, just ask.

I am writing this on Sunday after a very long day on Saturday the 23rd when we held our 4th Sock Hop. This appears to be our best yet. We had expanded the music to include 60's music, which went over very well. Our new DJ, Jean Marie did a fantastic job and was well appreciated by our guests. The dance floor was busy all night. All the club volunteers worked very hard to make this a tremendous success. There are too many to name, but I know who you are and it makes me proud of our club. We could not have the success we enjoyed without your help. We had 142 attendees, most were dress in 50s or 60s fashions. Our contests kept everyone involved. The Market Basket's food was delicious and plentiful. The decorations were a mix of 50/60's going from black and white checker board to psychedelic patterned table cloths and other fun stuff on the tables. As always our Root Beer floats with souvenir coke glasses were a big hit and the desserts were also plentiful. Carol Ehm's home made crumb cakes were gone almost before they hit the table. The complements were coming in from it seemed everyone there, especially for the DJ and the food. This is one of the hardest worked events of our year but the fun out weighs the toil. Thank you again to every one involved

We have a lot of activities planned for the year, our next event will be the Lake Hopatcong brunch cruise. I am sure this will be a fun and informative time. Please let Joanne know if you are going. We are hoping to occupy the whole boat which is 40 passengers. At this time we may open seats up to friends and relatives. The deadline has passed but we are still taking reservations. First come first served now

Thank You, Pat LeStrange





A few Words From Alec

Well it looks like summer is just around the corner what with all the flyers coming in the mail for all the shows and other events coming up.

It will be good to get back on the car show circuit and seeing everyone at those events. Time to check out our Birds and get them in shape.

Everybody loves seeing out TBirds at the various events.

Happy motoring, Alec

March Meeting

This meeting was hosted by Bob and Toni Sabino. It was a great (sunny and warm) Spring day and 12 members brought out their Tbirds. The food was good and the meeting was well attended. Thanks to Toni and Bob.

Highlights of the Business Meeting

The minutes of the last business meeting were read and accepted (after revisions) as was the Treasurers Report.

Pat introduced new member Rich Iuso. Rich is currently looking for an early Bird.

Lois reported that the 2018 Int'l Convention will be held in Knoxville, TN.

Joanne said she still has raffle tickets for the quilt being raffled off at San Diego.

Joanne talked about the dance and asked for volunteers to set up the hall.

Donna reported on the Westchester Dinner theater - date is July 10th and is "Happy Days"

Lois reported that the Tune Up Clinic will be on June 26th with the meeting being held then (host is the Corbetts) and to let Rich know if you want to do work on your car.

Bill Downing reported on the picnic - insurance is in place, the permit has been obtained.

Pat reported that Mike Meehan and others have met with various hotels re contracts and that the Marriot in Parsippany looks good for a convention.

Various cruise night and car shows were mentioned.

Next meeting May 22nd.

The Sabinos's were the 50/50 winner.

San Diego Convention

The hotel is now full, but there is a overflow hotel. The date is Sept. 13-18. See ctci.org for forms and contact information



Vice President's Message

Spring is here!!! April showers will bring May flowers!!! Time to get our little Birds out. It was great to see all the Thunderbirds out at our last meeting. When the flock is out, they look soo grrreat!!!

Bob Belli, hope your feeling better.

We have some more bad news, by now I am sure you all heard that Don Dobres' house burnt down. My heart goes out to Don, first losing his beloved wife, Dorothy in October and now 90% of his house burns down. I just don't get it. Thank god he got out of the house in time. He did get his Thunderbird out of garage too. Don plans on rebuilding the house as soon as possible. My prayers go out to Don. I know he would like to hear from you guys. Please reach out to him. He needs prayers to get through this.

On Saturday night we had our 50/60's dance. What a great time was had by all. The DJ we had was fantastic and kept the dance floor full. Almost everyone had a 50/60 outfit on. Everyone looked great. It is hard to pick out the best look, but I think our Linda Antenucci looked great in her hippie outfit. Just loved her hair, at first did not even recognize her! As usual food from the Market Basket was great. Everyone liked our root beer floats and 50/60's desserts. Thank you Pat and Joanne for making this a successful dance. They put a lot of time in preparing for the dance. Also thank you to you members who helped out to decorate and all night long.

Next event for our Club is our Spring Cruise, which is a real cruise on Miss Lotta, sailing around Lake Hopatcong. The event is on May 15th at 10:30 am. Cost \$50.00 per person, which also includes lunch (buffet). After the boat ride we are going to cruise to Sparta with our cars for ice cream. We need 40 people to fill up boat. If you have family members or friends that would like to come and join us, please let Joanne know immediately. There is parking for our cars, so please come on out to cruise around Lake Hopatcong and learn a little bit of history about the Lake.

Joe Kubat is running a bus trip to Mohegan Sun, Barrett Jackson car auction, June 25th. Please let Joe know if you are going. Ladies if you do not want to go to car auction, you can go to casino to try and win it big. (Continued on Page 7)

Membership News

Happy Anniversary

Bob & Joan Notar 25th



Lorraine Cirinelli 2nd

Pat Le Strange 7th

Jayne Braun 7th

Lisa Musto 8th

Gene Szura 13th

Bob Sabino 22nd

Theresa Perillo 22nd

Linda Antenucci 30th

Get Well Soon!

Bob Belli

Lorraine Cirinelli

John Pyrros

FOR SALE



Remember those who serve - May 20th

Join CTCI now if you haven't yet. The Early Bird magazine alone is worth the dues. And for latest info, go to ctci.org



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I want your input. Please send any items to be included by the middle of the month if possible. They can be e-mailed or snail mailed to me. email ptschroll@verizon.net

April Meeting



Events

May 2016 Meeting

The hosts for the May meeting are Vince Ucci and Julia on May 22nd at Fortissimo's Resturant, 484 Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange. Time is 2 PM. Be sure to RSVP (see page 1 for info) including regrets.

June Meeting

The June meeting will be held in conjunction with the Tune Up Clinic on June 26th. The business meeting will start at 1 PM.

Spring Cruise

The Spring cruise is going to be boat ride on Lake Hopatcong on May 15th. See attached flyer and the notices sent to you previously. There may still be time to sign up although time is getting short.. Contact Joanne.

Tune Up Clinic

The tune Up is on June 26th at the Martin's. Start Time is 8:30. If you have plans to work on your car or want something fixed, notify Rich. Be sure to have any parts you may need. Just come to gab or help out if your car is running good.

Pittsburgh, PA Car Show

Preliminary plans are being made to return to the Pittsburgh car show (in conjunction with the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix) this year. Date is July 16 & 17. Let Pat know if you are interested in going.

June Car Show

June 11th is the all Thunderbird Car Show put on by the North Jersey Thunderbird Association. Get that TBird shined up and join us there. All Tbirds from 1955 to 2005



May 8th

Car Shows-Swap Meets

- 5/1 Morristown-NJAACA Car Show. Mennen
Arena
5/14 Netcong-Power Portal 34 Bank St.
5/15 Paramus-Bergen Comm. Coll. 400 Paramus Rd
(Upper Saddle River.-Rusty Relics Show)
5/21 Montville - Hot Rod Farm 65 River Rd.
5/21 Midland Park-MP High Sch. 250 Prospect St.
5/21 Ramsey-Ramsey High School
5/22 Upper Saddle River Mack-Cali, 10
Mountainview Dr.
5/22 Demarest, Demerest High School 162
Knickerbocker Rd
5/29 No. Haledon-No. Haldon Rec. Field-515High
Mountain Rd.
6/4-5 Carlisle PA Ford Nationals
6/10-12 Rhinebeck NY Dutchess Cty Fairgrounds
6550 Spring Brook Rd.
6/11 Pompton Plains-All Tbird Show 60 Sunset Rd
6/11-12 Mahwah - Concours, Ramapo College
6/12 Washington Township-Westwood High Sch.
701 Ridgewood Rd
6/15 Waldwick-Waldwick Train Station. 4 Hewson
Ave.

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www.njortc.org

April Meeting



Happy Easter

To our friends on the Julian Calendar

Cruise Nights

Monday

Hawthorne- Informal get together at Goffle
Grille, Goffle Road

Tuesday

Clifton, Rutt's Hutt
Saddle Brook Bennigan's N. Midland Ave
Wayne - Wendy's , 1560 Rte 23 N

Wednesday

Wycoff-Cedar Hill Christian Ref. Church Cedar
Hill Ave

Clifton-Hearth Rest. 1116 Rte 46 West

Thursday

Wayne-Kohl's, 1800 Rte 23 N

Friday

Midland Park-Wendy's , Godwin Ave.

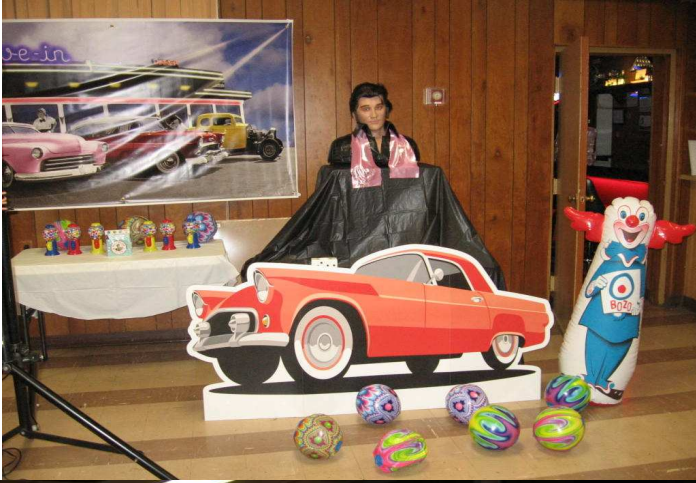
Saturday

Hawthorne-this is a inside get together for any
car person. Car optional. Free coffee
and munchies. 8 AM to 1 PM-MGM Auto
Body Supplies, 344 Wagaraw Rd



50/60's Dance

The was a complete success - the music was great as was the food. Great desserts including Twinkie's, creme filled chocolate frosted cupcakes and Pat & Joanne's signature drink, the root beer float.. We had a record attendance and some great dancers out on the floor. I especially like the jive dancing between Steve and Barry. Our own Julia won the hula hoop contest but Steve Schmitd's version of around the neck was a sight to see. The 50/50 pot was very big and the winner went home very happy.



Bubble Gum blowing Contest Winner



TRIVIA

What is the fuel consumption for the cruise liner, Queen Elizabeth II? Don't have any prizes, you get kudos.

Henry got last month's (I suspect he sits by his computer 24 hours a day at the end of the month). Answer is Spades-King David, Clubs-Alexander the Great, Hearts-Charlemagne, Diamonds-Julius Caesar

May 8th is the anniversary of VE Day



Vice President's Message (Cont'd)

On June 26th is the annual tune-up clinic hosted once again by Rich and Lois Martin. If you need work on your car, please let Rich know in advance. Everyone is welcome. Also the same day Aileen and Bruce Corbett will be hosting our monthly meeting also to be held at the Martin's home. Thank you Rich and Lois for doing tune-up clinic and also opening up your home to host a meeting.

Hope everyone has a safe and happy Memorial Day. Happy Cinco de Mayo day. Also Happy Mother's Day to all you wonderful Moms and Grandmoms. Have a great day. Being a Mother and Grandmother is the best thing in the world. Happy Birthday to our President, the one and only Pat. May 7th is his big day. Thanks for all you do for our Club.

Cruise nights are starting up this week. Get out to cruise nights, enjoy all classic cars and their owners. See you soon, Arlene

NJORTC BUS TRIP...



Saturday June 25th 2016



Meet at 1000 Wall Street West; Lyndhurst NJ ~8am
{Across the street from Medieval Times}

Arrive Mohegan Sun Casino ~ 11am

Depart Mohegan Sun ~ 5pm

Arrive home at Park N Ride ~ 8pm

These are approximate times

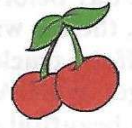
Bus Ticket \$40 pp transportation to Mohegan Sun
Barrett Jackson \$45 pp ticket to enter BJ auction



Donuts and water available on the way to Mohegan

Chips & water available on the way home.

Any questions contact Joe Kubat 973-900-1923
Make checks payable to: NJORTC



Mail to: Joe Kubat 19 Alpine Drive; Lincoln Park, NJ 07035

NJORTC SPRING CRUISE



LakeHopatcongCruises



Bring your camera!! We're going on a different kind of Spring Cruise. We are Cruising in our TBirds to Lake Hopatcong to have Brunch on the Miss Lotta. Brunch and a narrative cruise around NJ's largest lake. Brunch will include eggs, home fries, bacon & sausage, yogurt & granola, fruit, salads, chicken, vegetables, fresh juice... a buffet of delicious cuisine prepared by their Chef's from their very own sister properties, the Windlass and Alice's Restaurant. Guests can also choose from an impressive selection of wines, beers and spirits cash bar.

Bring your TBird's we'll have special parking.

We are also trying to finish off the trip with a small cruise to an ice cream parlor.

Sunday May 15th 10:30 AM – 1 PM
\$50 per person ONLY 40 seats available!!

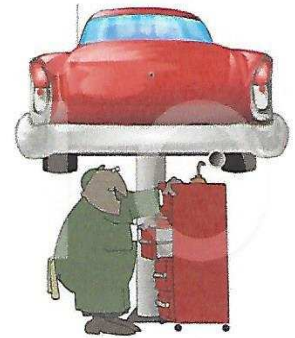
Sailing from her homeport in Nolan's Point six days a week, Miss Lotta is a 57-foot Skipper Liner dinner cruise vessel. Capable of accommodating up to 40 guests, she boasts a newly {2014} refurbished full dining room and upper deck as well as a full bar and a state-of-the-art audiovisual system. Miss Lotta also uses a gyro stabilization system to ensure smooth sailing during your cruise. During our cruises, spend the time relaxing on the water, taking in the beauty of the largest inland lake in New Jersey.

*Please RSVP by May 1st, to Joanne Seiler 551-404-3646 or
email: ladytbird567@yahoo.com*

Mail checks to Joanne Seiler 4 Ford Road; Landing NJ 07850



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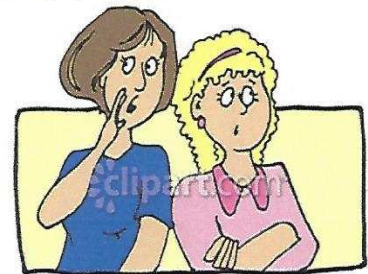
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