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



# The Thunder Heard

## **July 2022**

2022 Meeting Schedule	
July 24	Al Cirinelli
August 14	Picnic
September	Joe Matrone
October	Phil Guidone
November	Bob Heissler
December	Christmas Party
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The next meeting is July 24th. Hosts are AI & Lorraine Cirinelli. RSVP 973-625-1001 or Cirinelli@msn.com

If you cannot host your meeting as scheduled, it is your responsibility to get someone to switch with.

Please let Arlene know at least 2 <u>months</u> before your scheduled month that <u>YOU WILL BE HOSTING</u> the meeting and give the date/time/etc.





President's Message



Summer is here and car shows and cruise nights are going full blast, let's show them how great they can look when a flock of birds show up. On a personal note, I would like to thank all the NJORTC members who showed up at the Mike LeStrange Foundation Memorial car show. Your generous donations were greatly appreciated and will be distributed to several Cancer related causes. You all made me proud of our club.

We are now be gearing up for our 2nd biggest club event of the year, our club picnic. Most members are aware it will be held on August 14 at Schooley's Mtn. park on Springtown Rd. in Long Valley. Hope to see you there.

On a sad note July 13 will be Joanne's anniversary of 1 year in Heaven. I would ask members to take a few minutes on that day to remember her and all the work she did for our club, from producing flyers for our events, e-mailing notices, keeping the roster current, organizing our 50s dances and shopping all year long every year to find things to make all our events a little more special. She was instrumental in helping me make the club better. I know we all miss her and I invite you to go to our web site scroll down on the home page under her picture, to click on the link to view the videos I made about her. Another thing to look for, is in the picture at the top of the page, where another star was added to the side of the barn.

*Thanks, stay happy and healthy Pat Le Strange* 



#### <u>/ice President's Message</u>

First weekend of Summer was great, a little too hot, but we had the Tbird out at two cruise nights and a party on Sunday - a lot of fun.

Heard from Bob Heissler. He said that both him and Judy are feeling better. I tried to get Walter, but has not gotten back to me. Hope he is feeling better. Spoke to Mel Ramos. He is home from hospital and is going through some heavy health issues. If you would like to call him or send a text, I know he would appreciate it. Paul Adamoff and Ron Case also undergoing health issues. Mike Meehan was having some heart issues. Hope all will be feeling better soon.

Last month I congratulated all our College and High School graduates, but I left out Lindsay Martin. Congratulations on High School graduation and graduating with all high honors. Best of luck in College.

Before you know our club picnic will be here, August 14th. Please notify me if you are coming to the picnic and ladies or men please tell me what dish you will be bringing. It is very IMPORTANT that you get back to me. 973-900-1921 or <u>finallyak@yahoo.com</u>. I am looking for two volunteers to cook this year. I do not know if Mel can even make the picnic and I do not think Ron is in any shape to cook. So Paul Adamoff needs two people to help him. Thank you in advance. Please remember to let me know if you are coming and ladies or men what dish you will be bringing. IMPORTANT!!!

Sue Gayet put on a great Spring Cruise to the Walpack Inn. Thank you Sue. She is already working on the Fall Cruise.

Our next meeting will be hosted by Lorraine and Al Cirinelli on July 24th, 2:00 pm at Forte Pizza in Randolph. Please notify them if you are or are not coming to the meeting.

I'm pleased to announce the marriage of Vincent and Sandra Ucci. They had a beautiful wedding and I wish them, as we all do, many happy years together. Congratulations!

Hope everyone has a safe and Happy 4th of July.

Arlene

#### June Meeting

Another terrible spring day. Weather was overcast with threats of rain so the Birds stayed home. Donna and Bill were the hosts. Had a nice but fairly short meeting. As usual, good food, good company. Thanks to Bill and Donna for hosting

Highlights of the business meeting

The reading of the minutes and Treasurer's report were accepted.

Pat said he has made some changes to the Web Site.

Pat thanked the members that attended his brother's memorial show.

A discussion was held regarding members meeting their hosting obligations. When it's your turn and you cannot hold it at that time, then you can switch with someone else. It is up to you to make any changes with other members. Failure to hold a meeting when required and failure to contact Arlene or Toni about it then you are considered to have quit the club.

The Spring Cruise was discussed. We had 23 people attending. Members attending said they had a good time. Sue was given a round of applause for her efforts. Sue mentioned she is looking at a venue for the Fall cruise.

Jackie Werner spoke about the picnic scheduled for August 14th. Permits and insurance have been obtained.

Donna mentioned that she is still looking into grille plaques.

50/50 won by Jackie Next meeting July 24th.

#### June Meeting



# **Membership** News



Frank Gloss/Mary Green 1st Gene & Diane Szura 2nd Mike & Theresa Parillo 27th George & Suzanne Gayet 26th Tom & Patricia Brieva 29th



Rich Iuso 11th Julie Anne Andriolo 11th Frank Gloss 12thBob Notar 12th Suzanne Gayet 12th Paul Adamoff 16th Pauline Schroll 17th Charlie Costa 18th Lorrie Matrone 19th Diane Szura **21st** Jere Klein 22nd Danya Totaro 14th Bill Downing 31st CETWELL Walter Strohmaier Mel Ramos Mike Meehan **Ron Case** 

#### Plain olde Trivia

In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the rope, the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on Hence, the phrase - Goodnight, sleep tight

I want your input. Please send any items to be included by the middle of the month if possible. Email is best, snail mail ok

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Happy 4th

#### .Club Announcements

#### July Meeting

The July meeting wil be on July 24. Al and Lorraine are the hosts. It will be held at Forte Pizza & Restorante, 486 Route 10 West, Randolph. 2 PM is the time Be sure to RSVP Al or Lorraine, including regrets. Note - a no step entrance is at the rear

#### August Meeting

No formal meeting in August as we are having the picnic.

#### Congratulations to Vince & Sandra on their wedding



June Meeting



When cheese get it's picture taken, what does it say



Glass takes one million years to decompose, which means it never wears out and can be recycled an infinite amount of times

#### Car Shows

- 7/2 Montville-65 River Rd-Hot Rd Farm Cruise and swap meet
- 7/3 Paramus-165 Rte 4 West Kohl's
- 7/4 Livingston-30 Robert Harp Dr-Livingston High Sch
- 7/4 Montville-100 Horseneck Rd-Montville High
- 7/10 Oradel-55 Pyle St-River Dell High School (River Edge Show)
- 7/16 Haledon 289 Belmont Ave The Yard
- 7/17 Paterson-2 East Park Dr. Eastside Park
- 7/23 Pompton Lakes-1 Perrin Ave-Pompton Lakes Elks
- 7/24 Bogota-24 River Rd-The Sahara Club 8/6 Paterson-61-127 Preakness Ave-JFK High 8/13 Hackettstown-219 Mountain Ave-Lowes

#### Cruise Nights

<u>Monday</u>

Rockaway-152 Rte 46 Red Hut Diner <u>Tuesday</u> Wayne-1560 Rte 23 North-Wendy's <u>Wednesday</u> Wycoff-422 Cedar Hill Ave-Christian Ref. Church <u>Thursday</u> Wayne-1800 Rte 23 North - Kohl's Fairlawn-13-38 River Rd Empress Diner Hackettstown-219 Mountain Ave-Lowes <u>Friday</u> Boonton-Wal-Mart Shopping Center <u>Saturday</u> Rockaway-466 Main St-Diane's Dairy <u>Sunday</u>

Please let me know about any other Cruises

Keep Healthy & Safe - Use Your Mask

While mask mandates are somewhat relaxed, they are not all gone because of the new BA-2 variant which is highly transmissable. Cases are rising again. And if you're one of those people who think covid and vaccines are a hoax, then you should still wear a mask so you won't infect others when you come down with Covid. Over 97 percent of new cases (and deaths) are unvaccinated people.

#### Ford History - July

7/30/1863 Henry Ford was born 7/1945 Ist postwar Ford produced - gift to President Truman

7/15/1955 1st production day - Mahwah NJ



A engine overhaul for Tom Brieva



Mike LeStrange Memorial Show



#### <u>Tech Tips</u> Timing with a Vacuum gauge

1. Adjust carb to obtain the smoothest idle at the factory suggested RPM by adjusting the air/fuel mixture.

2.Attach vacuum gauge to a vacuum source.3. Adjust timing to obtain the highest vacuum reading at idle

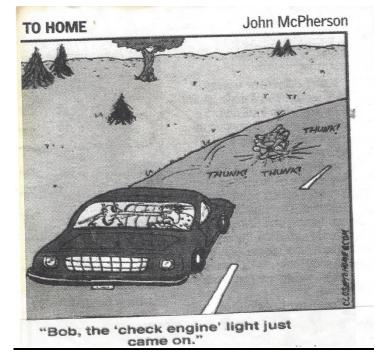
4.Go back and readjust carb if necessary (step 1)
5. Adjust (reduce) timing to decrease vacuum by 1 or 2 inches of mercury on the vacuum gauge.
6. Road test to see that you get no more than a slight ping on hard acceleration in high gear.

7. If it pings too much, reduce timing by small increments until you get no more than a slight ping

when accelerating hard in high gear.







It's been a while since I showed celebs with Tbirds (not necessarily their own), so here are some more pics I have found



Annette



Gene Barry and wife Betty



**Robert Wagner - Valerie Allen** 



Donna Reed



John Saxon (Nightmare on Elm St)



Marlin Brando



**Kirk Douglas** 

#### CTCI "The Early Bird" Back Issues

NJORTC recently received a generous donation of 25 years of "The Early Bird" magazine. They are available to club members free of charge. The set consists of the following complete years (6 issues) except missing issues as noted:

1987, 1988, 1989, 1990 (JF, NO), 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996 (MJ),

1997, 1998 (JA, ND), 1999,2000,2001,2002, 2003 (JA), 2004, 2005, 2006,

2007 (JF), 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 (MA, SO) If you would like to add to your collection or fill in missing issues, please contact Steve Handy at <u>stevehandy85@gmail.com.</u>

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Below something I found some time ago on jalopyjournal.com (The Hamb) from a member - quick85 (editor)

When I was a kid in the 60's my dad gave me a 78 rpm record: red vinyl, two cuts on each side titled "Corvette Heaps" These are some of the lyrics I remember

On October 1955 out of the west a bird did fly, It pounced upon a weak Corvette, beat it every place they met And when folks learned the car was for fun It was Thunderbird, ten to one

Chevy dealers don't like 'birds, 'birds to them are dirty words Saddest words they've heard since last year's "Harvest Moon" Corvette once had made them smile, thought on it they'd make a pile But the Thunderbird so quickly changed their tune

Everywhere you look it's Thunderbird, in fashion books it's the latest word, Movies, tv, swank inns...why, the Corvette is like a has been Deserted like heaps of you know what In museums and used car lots

