

New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



The Thunder Heard

September 2024

2024 Meeting Schedule

September 8	Bill Downing
October 6	Fall Cruise
October 12	Charles Musto
November	Valerie Kriney
December 8	Christmas Party

The next meeting is on Sept. 8th. Bill & Martha Downing are the hosts. RSVP

wdowning@optonline.net

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

Please let Arlene and Toni 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



Looks like the unofficial end of Summer is upon us, and boy did that go fast.

Several club members went to the Des Moines CTCI convention, hopefully they will tell us all about at the next meeting.

Labor day weekend will be here and by time this newsletter comes out and lot of members will be celebration several ways. Many members will be going to the two big events, Lead East and Dead Man's Curve. Whatever you choose have fun and stay safe.

Kudos to Arlene for arranging the Annual picnic and with the help of everyone who did their parts by making dishes, cooking and activities, it was a great success. There was a short meeting during the picnic but no minutes were recorded.

Finally thanks to the Downings and Valery Kriney. for stepping up to fill the open meeting slots.

Stay safe and well
Patrick Le Strange
President NJORTC



Bill Downing's 55





Vice President's Message



What a beautiful week as far as weather, nice and comfortable temperatures. This week starts Lead East and Dead Man's Curve and just praying for great weather.

Joan McMillian has two more chemo treatments and then she will have a PT Scan done to see where her numbers are. Let's pray that chemo worked. As always she has an awesome attitude. John Pyrros was in the hospital with some issues. Went in with a respiratory infection was taking meds and feeling better. They also ran other tests and found some heart problems, etc. sent him home and waiting for results of other tests. Praying for John all tests are good. Irene Douma is improving a little each day after major back surgery, developed Covid which set her back a little bit. She is feeling better. Praying for her also. Hope everyone else is staying healthy.

We had a great time at our picnic. We had about 50 members and guests. Had great weather. A good time was had by all. Plenty of food. Great salads, Mexican dip, deviled eggs, etc. thank you to all who made them.

Our chefs, Paul A, Ron C, and Mel R, thank you. BTW you all looked great in your chef hats and aprons. Thanks for all you men and ladies who set up and cleaned up. Your help was really really appreciated. Thank you Paul S for coffee and munchkins, Paul A for bagels, turkey dogs and trivia game, Steve H for crumb cakes and ice cream, Diane S for desserts and tomato's, Rich M ice cubes, Sue G soda, etc., corn hole game. Mike P water.

Joe K and Steve H for going shopping with me. Pat L for bringing all supplies. Martha and Bill Downing for trivia. If I forgot anyone I am truly sorry and I will remember you in next newsletter, just let me know. With the ice cream, Rich Martin had seven bars and Joe Kubat had six bars. All I can say is OMG!!!!

Mike Perillo is hosting Fall cruise on Sunday, October 6th. More info in this newsletter.

As mentioned earlier Lead East and Dead Mans Curve are this weekend, Wednesday, August 29th thru September 2nd . Have a good safe time.

Next meeting Sunday, September 8th at 1:00 Anthony Franco's, Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne, Hope everyone has a happy and safe Labor Day.

See you soon

Arlene

August Meeting

There was not formal meeting because of the picnic.

Club Picnic

It was a great day for the picnic. Sunny with almost no clouds, low humidity. Members brought out their Tbirds, 11 of them. Coffee, donuts, bagels and crumb cake was waiting for those that came early. We had a bigger crowd than last year. The cooks fired up the charcoal and did a great job cooking dogs, burgers and kielbasa. Members brought salads and other side dishes including deviled eggs, a great tasting mac & cheese and a great tasting chili. For desert we had pies, cookies and ice cream, which, despite Rich and Joe trying their best, we had some left over. Paul A had his trivia items and Bill & Martha had their trivia contest between the guys and gals. Sad to say, the gals took it this year although there seemed to be some tricky stiff going on (gals had one point before the game started). All had a great time and many thanks go to Arlene who set everything up.



The early birder's birds

Membership News

Happy Anniversary

Bill & Martha Downing 9th
Mike & Carrie Meehan 18th

HAPPY Birthdays

Vanessa Musto 10th
Mike Meehan 11th
Joan Notar 15th
Ron Case 17th
Carmen Ramos 17th
Lynfa Burns 18th
Georgette Hanussak 21st
Walter Strohmaier 29th

GET WELL SON!

Irene Douma
John Pyrros



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Club Announcements

September Meeting

The September meeting is scheduled for **Sept, 8th**. Time is **1 PM**. Venue is Anthony Franco's, 1176 Hamburg TPKE. Be sure to RSVP our hosts, including regrets.!

October Meeting

The October meeting is scheduled for Oct 12th (Saturday). Time and place to be announced but it will be in PA



Cars & Coffee

Saturday - 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month - Franklin Lakes-649 Franklin Ave. Crossroads Church

Cruise Nights

Monday

Paramus- 314 Paramus Rd Taverna
Rockaway-152 Rte 46-Red Hut Diner

Tuesday

Wayne-1560 Rte 23 North-Wendy's
Clifton-417 River Rd-Rutt's Hut
Elmwood Park-111-95 Rte 46 west-Pizza Town
River Edge 259 Johnson Ave-Prime 259

Wednesday

Wycoff-422 Cedar Hill Ave-Christian Ref. Church

Thursday

Wayne-1800 Rte 23 North-Kohl's

Friday

Boonton-Walmart Shopping Center

Saturday

Towaco-445 Main St-Diane's Dairy

Car Shows/Swap Meets

8/29-9/1 Lead East-Parsipanny

8/29-9/1 Dead man's Curve-Somerset

9/6 Ridgewood-133 E. Ridgewood Ave **5 PM**

9/8 Washington Twp-701 Ridgewood St-
Westwood High School

9/8 Clifton-1255 Broad St

**9/14 Fairfield-12 Hollywood Ave-St Thomas
Moore Church -Vince Show**

9/14 Midland Park-183 Godwin Ave Christian
Reformed church

9/15 Saddle Brook-55 Mayhill St-SB Municipal
Ctr

9/15 Clifton-639 Van Houton-Shook Funersl
Home

9/15 West Caldwell-950 Bloomfield Ave-Paul
Miller Chev.

9/21 West Milford-1468 Macopin Rd-Bubbling
Springs Park

9/22 Rockaway-100 White Meadow Rd-WM
Country Club

9/22 Oakland-350 Ramapo Valley Rd (Rte 202)-
Coppertee Mall

9/22 Teaneck-55 Hillside Ave

9/29 Wayne-475 Valley Rd. Wayne Town Hal

10/6 Closter-19 Vervalen St-Closter Plaza

10/6 East Hanover-Rte 10W-Nielson Dodge

For Sale



1955 T-Bird

Goldenrod yellow clearcoat. 1989 Mustang H.O. , Fuel Injection, Paxton supercharger. 12 Volt. Griffin radiator. T-5 trans, Hurst shifter. Disc brakes (Lincoln Versailles), dual master. Continental Kit. Flowmaster mufflers. Traction bars. Power steering. Hard (white) and soft (black) tops. 55 Fairlane headlight rims. 56 Merc station wagon tail lights. Wire wheels and radials.

Custom Sound radio with 10 CD changer. Located in New Jersey. \$ 38,000. For additional information and pictures contact Joe Kubat 973-900-1923

Misc. For Sale

1 – 9,000 WATT gasoline / electric & pull start portable generator

SEVERAL NOS / used parts for '55 & '56 T-Birds & Ford cars: also 6 volt head lights, bulbs (clear & amber)

1 – new Battery charger for 6 volt systems

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Thanks to Mike Parillo and Mark Santimauro for pictures

The End

Someone who thinks logically provides a nice contrast to the real world

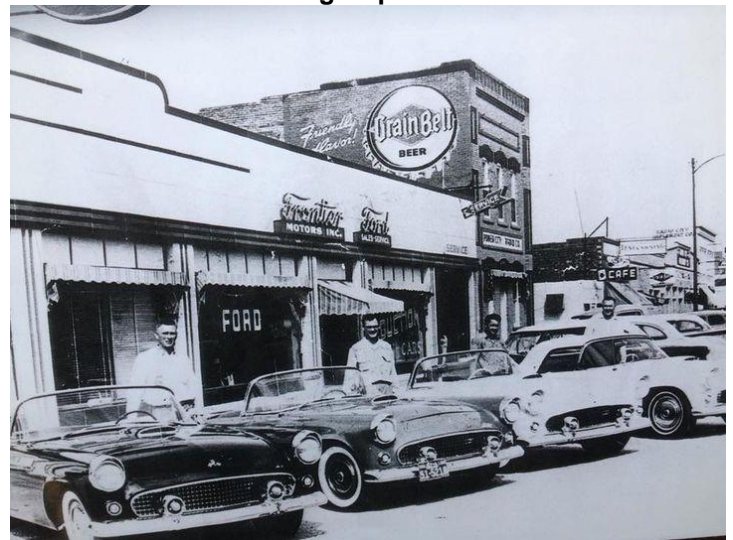
Did you know ? Lobsters taste with their feet (lobsters have feet??)



Tech Tip

Automatic Shifter Repair

Does your shifter have a lot of play and you have to wriggle it around or pull up on the shifter in order to get the car to start? The problem may not be the neutral start switch but parts within the shifter. There are two pieces that can help this situation. Replacing part # 7A133, a bushing and part # 7241, a pin, will tighten up the assembly. Both parts are available. So if you have any play in your shifter this is a good place to start and is not an expensive repair. And it can be done without getting under the car. However, you will need to pull up the carpet to get at everything. Lew Bachman, classicbirds, Yahoo groups

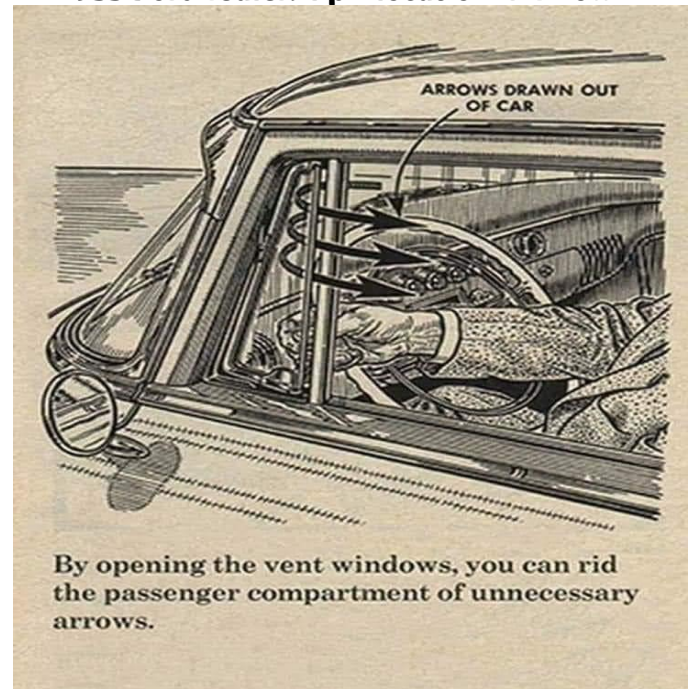


1955 Ford dealership - location unknown

Autumn Equinox



equal day/night Autumn starts





HAPPY
LABOR DAY
 ★ ★ ★

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



VJ Day, 9/2 - This is the formal surrender day. 8/14 is the day of surrender



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NJORTC Fall Cruise 2024

October 6th

Allaire State Park



Cross your fingers for good weather and GET EXCITED! Enjoy the day with our fun club.

Re-enactment's

The historic village was known as the Howell Works in the early 19th-century. At that time, it was a thriving industrial community which produced pig and cast iron. The buildings, which remain today, include a general store, blacksmith shop, carpenter's shop, manager's house, foreman's house and a church. One of the workers' row house buildings is now the Allaire Visitor Center and Museum.

Train Museum & Train Ride (\$6.00)

Established in 1953, the Pine Creek Railroad is an example of rail travel at the height of the steam era in the United States. The diesel, narrow-gauge trains are operated by the NJ Museum of Transportation.

Museum

Exhibits on the 19th-century bog iron industry, the Howell Works (original name for Allaire Village), and its owner, James P. Allaire provide an introduction to Allaire Village.

Flea Market

What's to say. You know the drill. Bring a few bucks, you may find a new treasure.

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Parrillo Cruise Tours