



New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



The Thunder Heard

August 2021

2021 Meeting Schedule

August 8	Picnic
September	Bob Notar
October	Mike Parillo
November	Vince Ucci
December	Christmas Party

There is no August Meeting. We have the picnic

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** **months** before your scheduled month that **YOU WILL BE HOSTING** the meeting and give the date/time/etc.



President's Message



Summer is about half over already so get out when the weather is good

I am sure I do not have to tell anyone that I have not been too active with club business, due to Joanne's worsening health condition and subsequence passing on July 13th. She has done so much for our club and will be missed greatly. Joanne has served as club photographer, correspondence secretary (informing members of all club meetings and activities) as well as meeting coordinator and keeping the roster up to date, I liked to call her a people magnet, because she was so good at welcoming new members. I am sure I have missed a lot of jobs she has done and we will definitely notice this soon.

I would also like to thank everyone for coming to Joanne's wake and repast. Thank you for all the wonderful praises you gave her on social media, and cards and for the gifts and flowers.

Joanne and I have the best friends

Pat LeStrange





Vice President's Message



Well we are headed for another heat wave starting tomorrow, how exciting. No rain for a few days, so get your cars out for a nice drive. Plenty of cruise nights around, so enjoy!

I am so proud of our Tbird club. We are a special group of people. The turnout at the Funeral Home and Repast for Joanne was fantastic. It just proved how much we loved her and appreciated all the work she did for our club. We are all going to miss her. Once again Rest In Peace Joanne. Also our prayers go out to Pat for his loss.

We have had some more bad news, Joan Notar lost her brother a couple of weeks ago. Our prayers are with you Joan and your family. Pat Shelby lost her mother, our prayers also to Pat and her family. Georgette lost her father last month, prayers with you. May he Rest In Peace.

Julie Anne was in hospital over night for a minor problem. Everything is good with her. George Gayette fell down cement stairs. He is in pretty bad shape. He just went yesterday to rehab for two weeks. Hope his recovery is fast. Maybe he will make the picnic. If there is anyone I am missing, please let me no. Enough of all this sad news.

Congratulations to Ray and Jayne Braun on the birth of their Grandson, Kevin, Jr. he was born almost 3 months early, but doing fine over 5lbs. and breathing on his own. He will be home soon.

Proud Grandparents Rich and Lois, their Grandson, Joey will be going into the Air Force on August 4th. Good luck Joey. Thank you for wanting to serve our Country.

We had a great meeting in July. Thanks Jackie and Paul Werner for hosting. We will have a short meeting at our picnic.

We discussed our picnic, which is August 8th, Sunday at Schooly's Mountain, directions are available. Starting time is 9:00 am for anyone who wants to help set up. If you have not let Jackie Werner or myself know if you are coming to the picnic, please do so immediately. Time is running out. Please let me know what food you are bringing, if any. 973-900-1921 or finallyak@yahoo.com. If

Jackie is looking for anything, she will be sending out her own email.

I belong to the VFW Auxiliary Post 277. Every year we have a underwear fund raiser for our Vets. I am going to bring a box to the picnic for anyone who would like to donate. This is our biggest fund raiser. I would truly appreciate your help. Flier attached to explain better. Thank you.

See you at the picnic Arlene

July Meeting

The meeting was well attended. Paul & Jackie Werner were the hosts. Weather was iffy so most of the Birds stayed in their nests. Always nice to get together after a year of hit and miss meetings. The food was good as well as the company. Thanks to Jackie and Paul.

Highlights of the Business meetin

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was waived. The Treasurer's report was submitted and accepted.

Arlene said we need a chair for the Fall Cruise.

Some discussion was made regarding different jobs that have to be filled due to Joanne's illness.

Discussion was made about doing a drive-by at Pat & Joanne's. It was set up for next Thursday.

The picnic was discussed. Jackie spoke about what she is intending to do. A male baking contest is planned.

Jackie was the 50/50 winner.



August Ford Trivia

8/29/45 First post WWII Ford was presented to the President, Harry Truman

8/24/56 Last production day for the 56 Tbird

Membership News

Happy Anniversary

Bob & Toni Sabino 15th
Rich & Lois Martin 6th
Phil & Dorothy Guidone 7th
Bill & Martha Downing 9th
Albert & Diane Clark 16th
Jayne & Ray Braun 22nd
Mel & Carman Ramos 27th



Sheryl Adamoff 1st
Al Cirinelli 13th
Joan Notar 15th
Shelly Belli 18th
Joe Kubat 22nd

GET WELL SON!

George Gayet
Lucille

In Memorium



Join CTCI now if you haven't yet. The Early bird magazine alone is worth the dues.

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Condolences

To the club members below who recently have lost family members

Joan Notar

Pat Selby

Georgette Hanussak

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.

Club Announcements

September Meeting

Details are still being worked on

NJORTC Picnic

August 8th at our usual location, Schooly's Mountain, Long Valley NJ. Be sure to notify Arlene or Jackie Werner if you are going. 9 AM is the starting time for the early birds to set up. Jackie is the co-ordinator- she is new at this so let's get there early and help out. Coffee and donuts will be available



T-5 5 Speeds For Sale

(2) One from a 87 Mustang, the other from a 83 Mustang GT. \$600 each.

Call Paul A 201-286-4781

For Sale

A Classic Auto Custom Fit A/C unit for a 55- 57 T-Bird will consider any offers.

Used copper 55-57 4 row T-Bird radiator, in good shape asking \$150.

Electric Cruise Control by Global Cruise asking \$125.

Pertronix Igniter electronic distributor (points replacement) and Pertronix Flame Thrower coil for 1957 and up Ford Distributor asking \$50.

Other Tbird parts

Call Bill Hyde 201-280-0637

Mufflers and resonators For Sale

Stainless mufflers and resonators for 56 Tbird. used \$300. Call Bill 845-304-1257

1956 Tbird For Sale

Thunderbird green, automatic, two tops, white hardtop, power steering, brakes and windows.

Good history on car. \$35,000. Little old lady owned. Located in Washington state. Call

Frank Stubbs, 206-949-5773 or 425-228-1012 (ED-I have pictures)

1957 Tbird For Sale

D Bird- Bronze312, automatic, power windows, two tops, white hardtop. Older paint. Good history on car. \$35,000. Little old lady owned.

Located in Washington state. Call Frank Stubbs, telephone no's above.

(ED-I have pictures)

(Note - Frank Stubbs is a restorer, honest)

Car Shows

8/8 Wayne-475 Valley Rd Wayne Municipal Parking lot

8/14 Hackettstown-219 Mountain Ave

8/14-15 West Milford-Air & Car show 126 Airport Rd

8/15 Bogota-24 River Rd Sahara Club

8/22 Hawthorne-Grand Ave (behind Louis Bay Library)

8/25 Wyckoff-235 Everett Ave

9/1 Nutley-Street show-Franklin Ave **5PM**

9/2-5 Lead East

9/2-5 Dead Man's Curve Show

9/10 Ridgewood-Ridgewood Ave Street Show **5PM**

9/12 Cifton-2 Brighton Rd Allwood Atrium

Cruise Nights

Tuesday

Wayne-1560-Rte 13 North- Wendy's

Clifton-Rutt's Hut-417 River Road

Mahwah-219 Ramapo Valley Rd-Mason Jar

Wednesday

Wyckoff -422 Cedar Hill Ave-Christian Ref, Church

Clifton-147 Huron Ave-Athena Vets

Thursday

Wayne-1800 Rte 23 North- Kohl's

Hackettstown-219 Mountain Rd-Lowe/Wendy's

Friday

Boonton-Wal Mart Shopping Center

Saturday

Oakland-Lenape Valley Grill-176 Ramapo Valley Rd (RTE 202)

Clifton-1116 Rte 46W- Maple Valley Diner

Towaco-446 Main Rd-Diane's Dairy

Please let me know if you have information on other cruise nights or car shows



See anything wrong with the pic on page 1(last month) ?
nobody making a guess?

July Meeting



TBird Trivia
Factory wise- backup lights will only work
when the lights are on



August 14, 1945
VJ Day - Japan surrendered ending WWII

Catastrophe



Unfortunately, this has happened to one of our members. The engine scattered for lack of oil. Luckily, parts were available and said car is almost on the road due to Rich Martin's handiwork. Here are some shots of the aftermath and rebuild



Note the twist





Tom Mirro, at the Zenith Awards Competition (For the best restorations) in Minnesota reported that he won third place out of the top 18 restored cars



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For you watermelon fans, 8/3 is National Watermelon Day

**Keep Healthy & Safe
Use your mask**

While mask mandates are being relaxed, they are not all gone. They are required in certain places. And if you're one of those people that think the vaccine is a hoax, then you should still wear a mask so you won't infect the like minded others when you come down with Covid 19

Tech Tip - Leaking Steering Box

Have you checked your steering gear lately?

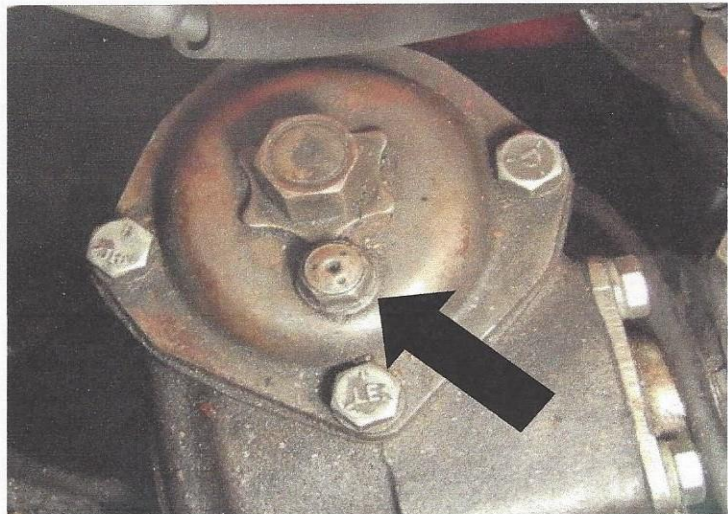
Remove this cap to fill the steering gear with 80-90w gear oil. Don't over tighten the cap.



If the 90 weight leaks out, super s 00 works well. It's listed as a grease but it's still a liquid. Buy it at tractor supply... It pours like a syrup.

You may try wheel bearing grease, but do not use lubricating grease as it will harden over time.

Anon



From Face Book and The Trail Birds newsletter

**VFW Auxiliary
Post 277**

Ridgefield Park is collecting
new undergarments for VETS in NEED
MEN & WOMEN Bergen County

Men	Women
Size Small to 3XL	Size Medium to XL
Focus on XL to 3XL	➤ High-waist underwear
➤ Boxers	➤ Bikini underwear
➤ Boxer Briefs	➤ V-neck T-Shirts
➤ Boxers	➤ Crew neck T-Shirts
➤ V-neck T-Shirts	➤ Tank Tops
➤ Crew neck T-Shirts	
➤ Tank Tops	

Please drop your donation at:
St. Francis Church Vestibule or Municipal Building Lobby
Monetary Donations may be sent to:
VFW Auxiliary
c/o PO Box 378
Ridgefield Park, NJ 07660

For more information, please call or text
Joan Carlson at 201.370.1032

Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes
Undergarment Campaign
July 1, 2021 – July 31, 2021

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Snug as a sedan, whatever the weather



QUICK FACTS

EXTERIOR DIMENSIONS: 102" wheelbase; 56" front and rear treads; overall length, 175.2"

INTERIOR DIMENSIONS: leg room, 45.8"; hip room, 60.2"; shoulder room, 55.6"

ENGINE: Thunderbird Special Y-Block V-8, 160 hp; 256 cu. in. displacement; 4-barrel carburetor; dual exhausts; rotating overhead valves; super-fitted aluminum pistons; short-stroke.

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