

New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



The Thunder Heard

June 2011

Richmond or Bust

2011 Meeting Schedule

June 25	Paul & Sheryl Adamoff
July 16	Chatterbox/Drive In
July	Dennis & Gail Chirico
August 14	Mini Concours/Picnic
September	Charlie & Iabella Costa
October	Pat LeStrange, Joanne Seiler
October	Fall Cruise
November	John & Sandra Pyrros
Dec 3	Holiday party

The June meeting will be on June 25th at 4:00 PM and will be hosted by Paul & Sheryl Adamoff, 20 Lost Tree lane, Ramsey, NJ 07446. RSVP 201-760-8727 or sheryl@airtrontech.com

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



I hope everyone has gotten over this past winter and ready for a beautiful Spring. It's been a bit wet but still better than snow-you don't have to shovel water. I hope the gas prices don't slow our participation in show and cruises. It may cost a little more to drive our Thunderbirds now, but you know as well as I, it is still worth it.

The May meeting was held at the Selby's home and we had a good turnout. Thanks to them for hosting.

I announced that I am thinking about running for Director of Region 1. I passed around my resume for some helpful input and to get the general feeling of the members. Everyone wished me well and thought it was a good idea. This is a big step but I will still remain President of our club. I feel I could bring us closer to CTCL and avail us of all they have to offer. Hopefully we can become more supportive and friendly with the other Chapter in Region 1. Perhaps holding some sort of mini-regional picnic. Well wish me luck, there are still a couple of meetings before I have to make my final decision so let me know how you feel about it.

I hope everyone is ready for the Conventions. Paul Schroll & John Pyrros seem to be taking the lead setting up the caravans. So if you are going to either let them know.

Virginia has a bigger turnout, I believe about 22 members. I am not sure about the count on the Omaha trip. I wish everyone success and safety to whichever one they are attending. In the past our club has always had very good showings at the Conventions and the turnout is getting better and better. They are a lot of fun and it is nice to see different parts of the country and the people who live there. There is always something to learn.

Speaking of Conventions start to plan for Memphis - that is looking to be a very special one.

Thanks, stay healthy and happy

Pat





A few words from Alec

Last night I had a dream that I was living in a state where the sun shined almost every day. Then I woke up and realized that I was still living in Seattle, WA East.

Enough about the weather., The tune-up clinic at the Martins (co-hosted by Bruce Corbett) was very well attended despite a gloomy overcast day with a little morning drizzle. The food was great and by my count we had 11 little Birds, a 54 Victoria, Joe Matrone's newest purchase a yellow and black (bumble bee) 55 conv. (nice going Joe!!) and John Pyrros' (gasp) just as nice black and white 56 Chev. conv.- which was parked away from the rest of the field so as not to contaminate it (LOL).

We should have 25 members- at last count-going to Richmond. Hope to see you at Richmond.

Happy Motoring,
Alec

May Meeting

The May meeting was hosted by Pat & Bill Selby. It was a perfect Spring day which brought out 5 TBirds. Pat put on a great spread and everyone had plenty to eat. Bill showed us his 72 Camaro of which he was the original purchaser. It is as nice as his 56 TBird. Thanks to Bill and Pat for the nice time.



The Vice President's Message

Hi everyone. Monthly weather report: UGH!!!! Rain, Rain, Rain. Does May showers bring hot, hot, hot Summer??? One good thing though, last week was opening week for most cruise nights-weather wise it was the best week in a long time. Hopefully next week is supposed to be nice so lets get out TBirds out and enjoy!!!!

I would like to congratulate Dominic Tucci for being the Grand Marshall in the Moonachie parade. Moonachie celebrated their 100th year anniversary. I am sure Dominick was very honored.

Paul Schroll picked up his TBird this week. He had a frame off restoration done. Now that the TBird is home, he is trying to put it all back together in time for the Virginia convention. I know that the "Bergen County" boys will be there helping him. Good Luck Paul, I hope you get it done.

On Sunday the Martins and Corbetts will be hosting the Tune-UP clinic. Do not forget to let Rich know if you are having anything done to your car. Please also let them know you are coming.

Mike Meehan just got himself a new guitar. I assume he is doing very well with his guitar lessons which means he can entertain us at our Mini-Concours and our Christmas Party. You agree with me Mike, right?

On June 15th about 25 of our members are going to start our journey (most in our TBirds) to Richmond, Virginia for the CTCI Regional Convention. I'm sure we are going to have a lot of fun.

I know it is late, but I hope all you Moms had a great Mother's Day. In a couple of weeks it will be Father's Day. Happy Father's Day to all you fathers.

See you soon,
Arlene

Strange Facts

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair

Membership News



Frank & Lucille Chabala 2nd
 Alex & Diane Marsiglio 7th
 Joe & Lorre matrone 22nd



Alex Marsiglio 14th
 Arlene Kubat 1st
 Nick Malenga 6th
 Bill Selby 18th



Lorri Matrone

FOR SALE

1955-57 TBird Windshield. Non Tinted. Very good condition - no scratches or pits. call Paul, 201-652-7027

56 Rear End

Saw this on Ford Barn. Montgomery NY Phil, 845-457-3546

For you Rock & Roll Fans

Morris Museum Exhibit-A history of Rock & Roll in the Garden State www.morrismuseum.org 973-971-3700

6 Normandy Heights, Morris Twsp



June is American Beer Month - so hoist a few in celebration

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May Meeting

The meeting was hosted by Bill and Pat Selby.

Highlights of the business meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted, as was the treasurer's report.

Pat said the arrangements were being made for the Chatterbox/drive in outing. The No Jersey TBird club will be joining us. Pat needs a head count, so contact him if you are going.

Bruce brought the old posters from the 2002 convention and distributed them to the members that requested them. There are some still available, call Bruce.

Wendy mentioned that the revised By-Laws are now posted to the club web site.

Pat has expressed an interest in becoming the Region 1 Director. Pat discussed this with the members.

Joanne talked about the cookbook fundraiser, suggesting a "all T-Bird" theme. Various aspects of the proposal were discussed, including any initial outlays.

John Pyrros is making a list of members who want to caravan together for the Richmond convention. The north eastern group is meeting at the Garden State Plaza and will meet up with the remainder of the caravan at the Richard Stockton rest area around exit 7A of the NJ Turnpike

Next meeting June 25th hosted by Paul & Sheryl Adamoff



Flag Day 6/14

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.

Pictures, articles, tech, etc. Paul Schroll

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Club Events

Mini Concours

The Mini-concours has been scheduled for August 14th at Schooley's Mountain. Reserve this date now so you won't forget. Additional info will be posted

Chatterbox/Drive In

A date of July 16th has been set for a cruise to the Chatterbox for the car show and then cruising to the Warwick, NY drive in. The No. Jersey Thunderbird Assoc. (big birds) will be in joining us. Notify Pat if you are going as he is making space arrangements. If you plan to eat at the Chatterbox, you must come early to get food as the restaurant fills up fast and the wait time can be long. We will be leaving for the drive in around 7PM. Even if you do not want to go to the drive in, join us for the Chatterbox part or vice versa.

Richmond Caravan

Plans are set for the Caravan to Richmond. For those going in the caravan, the northeast group is meeting at the Garden State Plaza (Nordstrom's) at 8AM on Wednesday, 6/15. They will hook up with the other group at the Richard Stockton rest area (around Exit 7A) on the NJ Turnpike around 9AM. If there are any questions please contact John Pyrros. If any one has spare parts (including those who may not be going) they would be willing to donate please contact John or Paul Schroll. All parts will be returned or replaced.

May Meeting



CAR SHOWS/SWAP MEETS

June 3-5 Carlisle, PA Ford Nationals

6/4-Allendale-Guardian Angel Church 320 Franklin Tpke (F)

6/4-Ringwood? St Francis Church, Ringwood Ave & Father Hayes Dr.

6/5- Demarest-Northern Valley H.S. (F)

6/5 Upper Saddle River-Lake St and E.Saddle River Road-Hopper-Goetschius House Museum (F)

6/11-Pompton Plains-All TBird Show 60 Sunset Rd

6/12 Waldwick-7 Hewson Ave. Waldwick Train Sta.(F)

6/18 Ridgewood-The Cupola W 100 Ridgewood Ave.

6/25 Ridgewood -304 S.Van Dien Ave (Van Dyk Manor)

June 26-Wayne-Wayne Town hall 475 Valley Rd. (F)

July 9-Merchantville-Alexander Ave. (F)

(F)=I have flyer

For additional listings, go to www.njcarshows.com



To go with beer month, but not American

Got any stories about the past regarding a NJORTC event, preferably with pictures, that you would like to tell us about? Write them up and send it to me along with the pictures and we will use it in the newsletter.

CRUISE NIGHTS

Sunday

Jackson-2010 W. County Line Rd (Clifmar Diner) 3rd Sunday of the month

Monday

Saddle Brook-427 Market St (Advanced Auto)

Hawthorne-Goffle Road (Goffle Grill)

Tuesday

Tappan, NY-51 Rte 303 (Liberty's American Grill)

Carlstadt-645 Washington Ave (The Grasshopper)

East Rutherford-49 Rte 17S (Cheeburger-Cheeburger)

Wednesday

East Rutherford-Rte 17N (Lowes/Chili's)

Wycoff - Greenwood Ave

Thursday

Wayne-Kohl's Shopping CTR, Rte 23 N

Moonachie-195 Moonachie Rd (Burger King)

East Rutherford-49 Rte 17S (Cheeburger-Cheeburger)

Hackettstown-Mountain Ave (Lowes Shopping Ctr)

Emerson-Emerson Shopping Ctr, Kinderkamack Rd.

Norwood-Livingston St. (Dunkin Donuts)

Friday

Boonton-Wooten St (Wal Mart shopping center)

Midland Park - Greenwood Ave (Hot Dog Caboose)

Saturday

Chatterbox, Rtes 15 & 206, Augusta



For those not into beer (see Pg 3) June is also Nat'l Iced Tea Month

CTCI Conventions

This Year - Richmond, Va, June 15-19 and Omaha, Nebraska August 24-28. It has been mentioned that rooms for Richmond, like in Dayton, are going to be tight, so make your reservation now. They can always be canceled if you decide not to go at a later date.

First Show of the Year

The first show of the year, up here in northeast NJ, was the Rte 23 Automall show on May 1st. While pretty much of a Mustang show, 5 intrepid members of NJORTC attended. A few shots of the show.



Joe Matrone's newest (was newest - see Pg 7)



Misc. Pictures



May meeting



1st show



The newest member of the fleet.

A bus station is where the bus stops. A train station is where the train stops. On my desk, I have a work station.



Tune Up Clinic

Despite the gray day, 11 TBirds, a 55 Ford, a 54 Ford and a 56 Chevy showed up their owners to either help, work on or get their cars worked on or both. In fact, half the club attended. Making a debut was the Madden/Salamon Dove Gray 56 and the Madden/Salamon first born, Ryan, 3 months. Both are fine looking, with Ryan taking the honors by far. Also making a debut was Joe Matrone's 55 bumble bee convertible. The Martins and the Corbetts hosted the clinic and it is among the best that has ever been held over the years. Most of those taking advantage of the clinic worked on their cars with the help of the other members. Some were getting ready for Richmond. Many thanks to Rich who always seemed to have the right part at the tip of his fingers (as well as the expertise to fix those perplexing problems). Thanks to Lois as well who prepared a delicious and filling lunch ending with brownies, chocolate chip cookies and cheese cake?. Thanks to Bruce, who worked on a number of the cars that came (how about that fuel filter Bruce??). It was a great get-together.

Some pics



More Tune-up Clinic



If ever you need pictures for court/lawsuit/insurance claim/car accident, etc, you cannot use a picture from a digital camera because they can be easily photo-shopped. Use a throw away or other film camera

From Paul Adamoff



OK-one more June is item

June is rose month - so get your honey a rose