

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



The Thunder Heard

July 2012

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2012 Meeting Schedule

July 15	Aileen & Bruce Corbett
July 29	Picnic
September	Paul & Pauline Schroll
October	Gene & Diane Szura
October 6	50's Dance
October	Fall Cruise
November	Frank & Lucille Chabala
December 1	Holiday Party

The July meeting will be on July 15th at 2 PM and will be hosted by Aileen and Bruce Corbett, 65 Ponderosa Place, Hewitt, NJ RSVP 973-728-2135 or corbett2@optonline.net

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



It seems like the car cruise season is off to a rough start, rain and heat keeping a lot of people home. I have been to a few and when it is nice out there are a lot of cars. Hope you can get out to a few.

Our last meeting was held at the Fireplace in Paramus. We were missing a few key people so the meeting was short and it was a small crowd but all went well. Thanks to Martha for stepping up and reading and taking the minutes. We welcomed a new member, Steve Handy from Oakland, NJ who owns a 57 colonial white.

On Saturday 6/24 Joanne and I attended the Richard Nader Doo-Wop concert in the IZOD Center. It was a car show, tailgate party and concert all in one. The best part was we each got two free concert tickets for bringing our cars. Not first row seats, but not nose bleed section either. We were joined by fellow club members Joe and Arlene Kubat, Al and Lorriane Cirinelli, Ron and Merry Case as well as my brother and his wife. We had a really great time. We arrived around 1:30, tailgated and listened to the accapella groups till 7PM, then went inside to the concert to enjoy about 7 groups. Kenny Vance and the Planotones, the Crests, the Dubs and Herman Hermits Peter Noone to name a few. I will remind members again next year so you don't miss out

The picnic plans are pretty much in place so if you haven't already please contact Mike Meehan or Arlene (she is doing the food shopping) and let them know you are coming and how many guests you will have. This is a great time to invite potential new members.

I hope every one who is going to Memphis has completed their paperwork and plans.

We are wishing you a speedy recovery to all our members after their recent surgeries.

See you at the next meeting.

Pat LeStrange.





A few words from Alec

A little more than a month and our club will be leaving to attend the convention in Memphis - good luck to every body .

Again this summer the weather has been very erratic - 70 degrees one day and in the 90's the next day. We did have great weather for 2 big shows- Upper Saddle River and the Franklin Lakes shows that start our show season.

Wishing you a great summer to enjoy our Tbirds and each others company.

Happy Motoring,

Alec

June Meeting

The meeting was held at the Fireplace Restaurant. It was a nice sunny day and 7 Tbirds came out. Stephen Handy, who had previously submitted a membership application, attended and became a new member.

Highlights of the Business meeting

The minutes of the prior month were read by acting Secretary Martha Dowling and accepted. Since the Treasurer was absent, no report was given.

It was reported that Frank Chabala underwent his hip replacement and is recuperating, as is Lucille.

Paul A introduced the newest member, Steve Handy from Oakland.

Phil reported that he has a number of people interested in going to the Barrett-Jackson in Ariz. Get a hold of Phil if you are interested in going.

The 50's dance was discussed. Joanne is still looking for the little gumball machines found in the Dollar Tree store. Anyone seeing them let Joanne know.

Paul A passed out American Flag decals for car windows.

Next meeting July 15th at the Corbett's.



Our newest member, Steve Handy



Vice President's Message

Weather - Three day heat wave, high 90's. This weather is crazy. Last week rainy and sleeping with windows open. This week air conditioner. Next week high 70's, low 80's. Hope we can get out Tbirds out. A lot of cruise nights have been canceled with all the rain we have had. Hope the weather gets nicer so we can show our cars off.

Out deepest sympathy to Rich Martin and family on the loss of his mother.

Frank Chabala is slowly coming along after hip surgery. He is still in rehab. Lucille is home from the hospital after a triple heart bypass. She had a rough go of it, but finally feeling a little stronger each day. Our prayers are with both of them, please feel better soon so you can get back in the swing of things.

Our next meeting is July 15th at the Corbett's house. Our club picnic is July 29th. Please think about what salad or desert you are going to bring to the picnic by our next meeting so that we do not have too much of one thing and not enough of another. Anything you make or buy will be greatly appreciated.

If any one is going on vacation this summer have a great and safe time. July 4th will be here soon(cannot believe it). My Dad used to say that once the 4th comes summer is half over. Before you know it, Memphis will be here. Hope that everyone who is going has made all their reservations. If not, you better do it now. I am looking forward to the convention, I know we will have a great time.

Then before you know it our 50's dance will be here (October 6th). Pat and Joanne have the hall and DJ (excellent by the way) booked and now they will be looking for help to prepare. I have been to other 50 dances that they have hosted and believe me they do a great job! I am looking forward to the dance and once again I know we will have a good time.

Get your cars out and enjoy, enjoy!!!

Arlene.

Membership News

Anniversary

Gene & Diane Szura 2nd



Frank Gloss 12th
 Bob Notar 12th
 Sandy Pyrros 16th
 Paul Adamoff 16th
 Pauline Schroll 17th
 Charlie Costa 18th
 Lorrie Matrone 19th
 Diane Szura 21st
 Alec Johnstone 24th
 Bill Downing 31st

Get Well Soon!

Frank Chabala
 Lucille Chabala
 Gene Szura

FOR SALE

Condolences

To Rich Martin and his family on the passing of his mother.

A Note from Lucille

Frank and I just want to thank everyone for all their cards, phone calls and prayers. I am home and doing well. Frank is in Care One in Livingston for a short time. We hope to see you all very soon.

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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.

June Meeting



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.
ptschroll@aol.com

Club Events

Club Picnic

Keep July 29th open. This is the date for the picnic at Schooley's Mountain (same location as last year - remember last year with all the liquid sunshine?) Remember to call Arlene if you are coming. Rain or shine event. We all have a lot of fun, so be there. If you need directions email me (Paul).

Preliminary 2012 Schedule

July 29 - Picnic - Schooley's Mtn
August - Memphis Convention
Sept - Warwick, NJ Drive In movie ?
October - Fall cruise
October 6 - 50's dance
December 1 - Holiday party

New Member

A welcome to Stephen Handy from Oakland, NJ. Steve has a 57 and would you like to guess what color it is? It's colonial white with a red interior - something of a rarity in our club!!!!!! Welcome to NJORTC Steve, glad to have you aboard.



Errol Flynn 35 Auburn



Cruise Nights

Monday

Rochelle Park 375 West Passiac St (Mr Cupcakes)
1st Monday of the month

Saddlebrook-427 Market St. (Advance Auto)

Tuesday

Mahwah-Ramapo Valley Rd (RT 202) Creamery
Snack Bar

Wayne-Wendy's-Rte 23 North

Carlsadt-645 Washington (The Grasshopper)

Clifton, Ruts Hut

North Bergen-2849 Kennedy Rd. (Sonic Drive IN)

Wednesday

Wycoff-Greenwood Ave

Englewood-412 South Van Brunt St (4 West Diner)

Wayne - Rte 23 West (Wendy's)

Thursday

E. Rutherford-Cheeburger/Cheeburger Rte 17 SO
Emerson-Emerson Shopping Center,
Kinderkermack Rd.

Hackettstown-Mountain Ave (Lowe's and Wendy's
Shopping Ctr.

Wayne- Rte 23 West (Kohl's)

Friday

Midland Park Greenwood Ave (Hot Dog Caboose)

Elmwood Park-Legion Place (Am. Legion Post 147)

Boonton-Wooten St. (Wal-Mart shopping Ctr)

Saturday

Lyndhurst-1050 Wall St. (Whiskey Cafe)

Local Show Pics



Nice 31 Model A

Car Shows-Swap Meets

6/30-Oakland-97 Yawpo Ave-Indian Hill High School F
7/8-River Edge - Continental Ave.

7/15-Prompton Lakes-1 Perrin Ave (Elk's Lodge 1895) F

7/15-7/16 Rhinebeck, NY Dutchess Cty Fairgrounds F

7/29-Hillsdale 244 Wierimus Rd (Demarest Farms) F

7/29-Morristown-170 Ridgedale Ave (Beyer Ford-Ford
powered vehicles) F

8/4-Thiell's NY No. Rockland High School F

8/12-Emerson-131 Main St (Emerson High School) F

I have flyers on some of these (F)

For more shows go to

<http://holtononline.com/carshows.html>

www.newjerseycarshows.com (reactivated)

CTCI Convention-Birds at Beale

For 2012 - the Memphis National Convention. A
schedule and registration forms are available
online.

<http://memphisthunderbirds.com/2012-convention/reservationsandregistration.html>

Elvis fans should certainly plan to attend and the
list of events includes plans for a riverboat cruise on
the mighty Mississippi and a Memphis Music Tour
to name a few. Plus the show is inside. Make your
plans now and get your Bird ready.

NOTES

The special rate rooms at the host hotel have all
been booked. There are additional rooms available
but at a higher rate. There are rooms available at
other hotels which are close by at the original rate.
An email was sent out with the contact information.

If you do not have this information please contact
the editor of the newsletter.

There has been a significant number of registrations
already. It is advisable to get your registration in
early as space for the tours and other events may be
limited - so if you want to go to these register now.

Trivia Question

Who signed the Declaration Of Independence on
July 4th?

Prize to the first correct response. Prizes awarded
at the meetings.

Note - the answer to last months was One
Thousand. Sandra Pyrros answered correctly and
won the prize.

Tech Tips
Antifreeze

I ran across this on the Internet posted by Dave Tulowitzky - food for thought.

Antifreeze manufacturers have formulated their long life products and the inhibitor attack, among other things, silicone compounds-the most commonly used base for gasket sealants. It also attacks lead based products (solder, babbitt, some yellow metals (cam bearings, radiators) and conventional gaskets and packing. The warning here is to NOT use coolants with OAT inhibitors in your old car. You need to read the label and use only IAT (Inorganic Additive Technology) inhibited antifreeze.

OAT stands for Organic Acid Technology based corrosion inhibitors and they are designed to have longer service life than that of IAT coolants; but unfortunately that feature comes with a badside effect to older cars.

Tips for finding IAT coolant as follows:
Prestone says all of their current antifreezes are OAT

Peak says that their Peak Antifreeze and Coolant is an IAT formula. The bottle is blue. It is important that it NOT say long life. Peak Sierra is also IAT
Zerex says that Zerez original Green is an IAT formula. It comes in a white container. Do not use their G-05 formula in the gold jug.

This was first published in Jim Crame's W. Michigan Buick Chapter news.

Dave Tulowitzky has added his own comments to the posting. To see his comments go to :
<http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/classicbirds/message/50048>.

Note - I was in Wal Mart Wednesday and looked at their bottles (different brands) of antifreeze - I could not find any note as to formulation -Editor

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

Caravans To Memphis and Return

Planning is completed including our meeting place. An updated schedule was sent out. If you did not get it, email me. The stops both on the way down and way back have been determined and the hotels booked. Because of Shelley's contacts in the travel field, we will be able to obtain better motels at medium price rates.

The stops on the way down will be in Salem, VA and Dickson, TN. On the way back the stops will be in Knoxville, TN and Winchester, VA (these two have been changed from earlier points) .

Complete information on the rooms and route have been sent to all parties. If you haven't gotten this, please email Paul S. Everybody will have a 24 cancellation period if there is an emergency and cannot attend. Shelley is getting the rooms under her name (needed for the discount) and those using the rooms will pay Shelley. Payment to Shelly should be by August 1st. She will hold your check until the trip is over in case there are any last minute cancellations. This is applicable for both groups.



Wings and Wheels Show-See Page 7



Guess who - Wings and Wheels Show

Wings & Wheels car Show

Rich, John P, Joe K and Paul S. attended the Wings and Wheels Car Show on Sunday 6/18 at Teterboro Airport. Rich Martin's TBird was chosen by the "Liberty Belles" as their favorite car. The wings part of the show was lacking as far as quantity goes, but was offset by the quality. The show included a P-51 Mustang (boy, did the Ford Mustang owners go crazy over that), a British Spitfire and a B-17. For a small fee, photos of your car were taken in front of the P-51. Joe got Best Truck and Paul got best 40's car.



The "Liberty Belles"



Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine



"Twin H" Hudson