

# New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



# The Thunder Heard

# September 2022

| 2022 Meeting Schedule |                 |
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| Sept 18               | Paul Schroll    |
| October 23            | Phil Giudone    |
| November              | Bob Heisler     |
| December              | Christmas Party |
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The next meeting is September 18th Hosts are Paul & Pauline Schroll. RSVP 'ptschroll@verizon.net.

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



Well Summer is unofficially over. It seemed to go fast even though it was rainy in at the start and very hot and dry lately..

As we do every year our members will be going to either Lead East 40, World Biggest Oldies Festival or Dead Mans Curve Wild Weekend 11. We are lucky in north Jersey to have these two great events.

The club had a good summer, highlighted by our club picnic. Thanks to all the hard working volunteers who made it a big success. A special thanks to our VP, Arlene Kubat, for hosting and doing the food shopping. Now we look forward to our Fall cruise back to the Friendly Homes Farms chaired and hosted by Sue and George Gayet.

Thanks again to Paul and Pauline for stepping up to host the September meeting, due to the failure of the scheduled host to respond to our several attempts to get a commitment for a date and location of their meeting.

Enjoy the rest of the Summer, stay safe and healthy

#### Pat LeStrange





and all is good.



with the trivia game. By the way ladies the ladies came in first place. Hope you guys are getting out to the car shows and cruse nights. Before you know it it will be over and the winter will be here.

Oh boy this heat is too much. Soon Fall will be here. I know we need rain badly, but hope we get through Lead East and Dead Man Curve weekend without it. Speaking of which whoever is going to either show have a good safe time.

Before you know it our fall cruise will be here, October 16th. More details to follow. Suzanne Gayet is chairperson.

I understand that Walter is in Randolph in an Assisted Living facility and not liking it, but feeling better. He said the people in this place are old (I think this is funny). He is not driving, he takes walks around the facility, he also has a friend who picks him up and takes him out to lunch once in a while. Maryanne has also gone to see him. So glad he is doing better. Mel was able to come to our picnic, he looks good, but has rough days. Hope things get better with him. Donna Jesse had her back surgery

Like I said earlier, if you are going to Lead East in Parsippany or Dead Mans Curve in Mahwah, have fun and be safe.
See you soon

Sad news Joan Notar's mom passed away last week. She had been sick for a few months, she was in her late 90's and had a good life. She is now at peace. Our prayers for Joan and her family.

**Arlene** 

Our picnic was great. We could not have asked for better weather. We had about 40 people. Great turnout. A big thank you to our Chefs, head Chef, Paul Adamoff. He did a great job being in charge. A big thank you to Julie Anne and Mark. You guys did such a great job we hope you will be back next year. Frank Chabala used to be one of our Chefs before his passing so now his daughter Julie Anne will take over where he left off. Thank you Rich Martin for picking up ice, Paul Schroll for Duncan Donuts coffee and donuts, Paul Adamoff for bagels and turkey dogs, Steve for crumb cake, Suzanne for soda Mike Perillo for water and Diane Szura for desserts. Also a big thank you to Joe Kubat for doing all the running around to all the stores I made him go to to pick up all the food and paper supplies. Without his help it would be hard for me to do it alone. Also ladies and men who made all the salads and fruit salads.

#### August Meeting

There was a very brief business meeting at the picnic.

**Highlights of the Business Meeting** 

Pat reported on the short board meeting that was held just prior to the business meeting. The board meeting discussed the failure of a member to meet his obligations for his meeting and failure to even respond to inquiries about it.

Pat also noted that nominations for the positions of Vice President and Treasurer must be made by the September meeting.

Arlene expressed her thanks for everyone who worked on the picnic.

**Next meeting is September 18th** 

#### <u>Picnic</u>

It was a great day for a picnic. We had a good crowd, good cooks and good people. 11 little Birds came. We had two guests, the Hardy's who signed up. Arlene did a great job in coordinating everything. The salads and other food that members brought were delicious.

One of the best picnics ever



Everything was delicious. Also a big thank you to Bill Downing for stepping up and helping with signs and tarps, the ladder, etc., plus also thank you Martha for being helpful

# Membership News



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



Marianne Dennig 1st Vanessa Musto 10th Mike Meehan 11th Marco Totaro 14th Ron Case 17th Carmen Ramos 17th Geogette Hanussak 21st Patricia Brieva 23rd Walter Strohmaier CETTATELL

> Walter Strohmaier Donna Jessie

#### New Members-Welcome



Gerry Ingersoll (and wife Rosemarie)
They live in Clifton. Gerry has a bronze 57
TBird. He also has a 67 Mercury race car and
a 69 Mustang

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#### **Condolences**

To Joan Notar and her family on the passing of her mother



## Club Announcements

#### September Meeting

The September meeting will be on Sept 18.
Paul & Pauline are the hosts. It will be held at Delizia's Restaurant Wal-Mart Shopping
Center, Wootton St in Boonton. Starts at 2 PM.
Be sure to RSVP Paul & Pauline, including regrets.

#### Fall Cruise

Sue has this scheduled for Oct.16th. Keep this date open. Current plans are a cruise to Finding Home Farms where we will have brunch. Possible stop at a farmer's market. Additional information to be announced later.

#### October Meeting

This meeting is scheduled for Oct. 23rd. Phil & Dorothy are the hosts. Additional information next month

#### Nominations For Officers

Up for relection for next year are the offices of Vice President and Treasurer. Nominations for these positions should be made before or at the October meeting. Send nominatins to Pat.

New Members-Welcome



Bruce & Carol Hardy
Bruce and Carol live in Hewitt. They have a
customized 55 Bird. They also have a 72 Ford
Ranchero

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.

#### Car Shows/Swap

9/1-4 Mahwah-Sheraton Majwah-1 Int'l Blvd 9/1-4 Parsippany-Lead East

9/8 Nutley-Franklin Ave

9/9 Ridgewood 133 E Ridgewood Ave 5-9
9/10 Parsippany-50 Parsippany Rd - IBEW
Local 102

9/11 Clifton-1265 Broad St-Summit Health 9/11 Washington Township-701 Ridgewood Rd-Westwood High School

9/18 Hawthorn-344 Wagaraw Rd MGM Auto Body Supplies

9/18 Closter-19 VerValen St-Closter Plaza

9/18 Nutley-Franklin Ave

9/18 Clifton-639 Van Houten-Shook Funeral Home

9/24 Rockaway-508 Green Pond Road 9/25 Wayne-475 Valley Rd-Wayne Municipal Lot

9/25 Ridgefield Park-100 Challenger Rd 9/25 Oakland-350 Ramapo Valley Rd-Copper Tree Plaza

10/2 East Hanover-175 Rte 10 East-Nielsen Dodge

10/4 PA-Fall Hershey Car Show & Swap meet

#### Cruise Nights

#### **Monday**

Rockaway-152 Rte 46 Red Hut Diner Tuesday

Wayne-1560 Rte 23 North-Wendy's Wednesday

Wycoff-422 Cedar Hill Ave-Christian Ref.
Church

Bloomfield - Broad St.

#### **Thursday**

Wayne-1800 Rte 23 North-Kohl's Fairlawn-13-38 River Rd-Empress Diner Hackettstown-219 Mountain Rd-Lowes Friday

**Boonton-Walmart Shopping Center Saturday** 

Rockaway-466 Main St.-Diane's Dairy



# **FOR SALE**

#### 1955 Thunderbird

Black, Auto, p/s, p/w, TC radio, continental kit, many mechanical upgrades. Driver quality paint. \$30,000 firm. Call Vince, 201-973-980-4312

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Good judgement comes from experience.
Unfortunately, the experience usually comes from bad judgement



Constitution
On September 17, 1787 the U. S. Constitution
was adopted





Got a familiar look? 1965 Auto Union 1000 SP





Keep Healthy & Safe
Use your mask

While mask mandates are somewhat relaxed, they are not all gone because of the BA-5 variant which is highly transmissable. Cases are rising again. If you're one of those people that think covid and vaccines are hoaxes, then you should still wear a mask so you won't infect the like minded others when you come down with Covid. Most deaths (yes there still are many deaths) are among the unvaccinated





#### Did You Know?

The military salute is a motion that evolved from medieval times when knights in armor raised their visors to reveal their identity



Equal Day and Night 9/22

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

#### Tech Tip

### CHANGING THE FUEL PUMP

Scott McGilvray

Well, you learn something new every day. For 40 - 50 years I've known that while changing the fuel pump you want the eccentric that actuates the pump to be in the top or "rest" position. That way it won't be applying pressure to the pump arm while you are trying to bolt it on. I found it difficult to use a mirror, a screwdriver, or any other method to determine the location of the eccentric so I usually just fought the pressure and "horsed" the pump into place. Today (7/14/14) I discovered that there is an easy way to get the eccentric in the proper location. Just pull the distributor cap and jog the engine until the rotor points to cylinder #1 and the eccentric will be out of the way. So simple but I never thought of it.

#### **From Trail Bird News**

## OTTO MECHANIC By: Jay Piersanti



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