

New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



The Thunder Heard

September 2014

Picnic Time

2014 Meeting Schedule

Sept. 28	Al & Lorraine Cirinelli
October 26	Bill & Pat Selby
October 19	Fall Cruise
November	Alec Johnstone
December 6	Holiday party
	2015
March 28	50's Dance

The September meeting will be hosted by Lorriane & Al Cirinelli on Sept 28th at 2PM. RSVP 973-625-1001 or cirinelli@qualitywarehouse.com or lcirinelli@msn.com. See Page 4 for location

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



Hate to say it, but the unofficial end of summer is here. I hope it is a long fall with good weather. There is plenty of time for car shows and cruises. The two biggest are coming up, Lead East and Dead Man's Curve. Whatever your choice of era, pick one or both but they are not to be missed. Joanne and I will be at "The World's Biggest 50's Party" Lead East.

Our club picnic was a great success. Over 80 members, family and friends attended. Chair Bill Downing kept us all busy and having fun all day. Good job Bill. Thanks to everyone who helped, from the cooks to the people who brought food and desserts, every one who decorated and cleaned up and the cookie makers. I hope everyone had a chance to see the model garage Bob Sabino made and gave to me. It was customized with Thunderbird items. Thanks Bob, I will display it in my basement with my other TBird collectables. so if you missed it you can see it at our Christmas Light party in December.

Joanne and I have booked the hall for the 50's dance. It will be March 28th, same place. Start putting out feelers an getting people to save the date. We know we can count on you members to help run the dance and sell the tickets.

I would like to ask members again to keep a look out for meeting locations. The pizza location has worked pretty well but it a little difficult to run a meeting there and I think we need a change of pace anyway.

Phil Guidone has set up the Fall Cruise and we will get the info out soon.

Keep checking the web site and Face Book page to stay informed with what is going on with fellow members and activities.

HO HO HO - got to start working on the Christmas display

Pat Le Strange





A few Words From Alec

That was a great picnic that our club held. Many thanks to everyone that had a hand in running the event.

It is hard to believe that the summer is almost over -it is the hope that we will have a really nice fall.

Looking forward to the fall cruise in October. I hope to see you all at the next meeting.

Happy Motoring

Alec.

August Meeting

The meeting was at the picnic and was brief with no business transacted. There were motions to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the prior meeting and the Treasurers report which were passed.

NJORTC Picnic



Corn shucking



Vice President's Message

Weather: Very comfortable. I hope it stays this way for the upcoming Labor Day weekend.

Congratulations to Bill & Pat Selby on the marriage of their daughter.

I want to thank Bill and Martha Downing on our fantastic club picnic. I know we all had so much fun. The cookie contest was great. Members and some of our kids judged the cookies. I know the kids loved tasting them as well as the adults. I cannot tell you the winners, as I was too busy looking at all our high school pictures trying to guess who's who. I had so much fun trying to guess. I must say that Don Dubres won the prize for most recognized pictures. We also had a egg toss, which was a lot of laughs and of course, the trivia contest which the women won making it even with last year. Way to go ladies!!! We had great salads, cookies and other desserts, plenty of fresh corn and watermelon. I don't think anything was missing. Everything was sooo good and a great time was had by all. My opinion - the best picnic so far. We had 67 adults and 8 kids. Big turn out. The weather in the morning was a little rainy so a few did not bring their Tbirds, but we did have quite a few that did bring their beautiful Birds

Coming up this weekend is Lead East, in Parsippany. We have a few members that are attending this car show. We also have some members attending the Dead Man's Curve show in Mahwah. I hope everyone has a great time. Also, everyone have a great Labor Day and weekend.

In October is our Fall Cruise - looking forward to a good time and great food. Phil & Dorothy have never disappointed us yet. Then before you know it it is December and time for the Holiday Party

Nominations for Vice President and Treasurer will be accepted for these positions up to Sept 24th (before the Sept meeting) . I would like to remain as VP. We will be looking for a new Treasurer as Frank decided it was time to retire. He has held this position for 22 years and he and Lucille have done a great job.

See you soon

Arlene

Membership News

Happy Anniversary

Bill & Martha Downing 9th
John & Sandy Pyrros 19th



Mike Meehan 11th
Frank Chabala 15th
Ron Case 17th
Walt Strohmaier 29th

Get Well Soon!

Everyone seems to be in good health

Congratulations

To Bill & Pat Selby on the recent marriage of their daughter, Katie. And the same to Katie and her husband.

Wander Lust

Some guys like their TBird so much they can't bear to have it sitting still. Walter decided to go on a summer vacation (after returning from Springfield). He went to the ITC Convention in Charlotte, NC (1st place in Modified Touring) then to Atlanta, GA to visit family and made other stops along the way. Now home and resting.



FOR SALE

1991 Cadillac Allante

67,000, pearl white, black interior, black cloth top. Mint. Vince, 973-980-4312. \$10,999 or BO

TBIrd parts

55 6 volt parts, 57 gas tank
Vince, 973-980-4312

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.
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Signs

On a Taxidermist's window
We really know our stuff

More Picnic



Events

September Meeting

The September meeting will be held on Sept 28th at Delizia's Pizza in the Wal-Mart Shopping Center, Wooten St., Boonton NJ. Make sure you RSVP the hosts. See Page 1 for info. 2 PM

Election of Officers

Two officer positions are up for election this year, Vice President and Treasurer. Nominations must be made prior to Sept 25th, Notify Joanne who will be sending out the official list on Sept 25th. The Treasurers position is going to be open as Frank is not running for re-election. Arlene has stated she would like to run again. Elections will be at the October meeting, now slated for Oct 26th. Get your nominations in now!!! Remember to ask your nominee first before making the nomination. You can self nominate.

Fall Cruise

SAVE THE DATE

Phil has scheduled this for October 19th. This cruise has always been a real treat so make sure you save the date. Particulars will be announced at a later date, but Phil and Dorothy have always come through with a great restaurant and a great cruise.

Car Show Oct 4th

While not an "official" club event, the show put on by Carol and Charlie Ehm is on Oct 4th. They have door prizes and raffles. Vehicles must be over 20 years old. Breakfast and lunch available. The show is at the First Reformed Church, 60 Chapel Hill Rd, Lincoln Park. Contact Carol or Charlie to register or register online at www.frc-lpnj.org

Holiday Party

SAVE THIS DATE TOO

Yah, I know its only September, but don't forget our Holiday party. It's December 6th so mark this down so you reserve the date. Particulars to be announced at a later date.



Sept 23 - Autumnal Equinox-Fall begins

Picnic - Food



Car Shows-Swap Meets

Aug 28-31 Parsippany - Lead East
Aug 28-30 Mahwah-Dead Man's Curve Show. Rte 17
Sheraton parking lot
Sept 7 Clifton - Rte 46 East - Crane Chevrolet
Sept 7 Clifton-2-4 Brighton Rd Allwood Atrium
Sept 7 Fair Lawn, Memorial Pool parking lot
Sept 14-Ewing, NJ 2000 Pennington Rd. TCNJ Lot 4
Sept 14 Wayne 475 Valley Rd Wayne Municipal Bldg
Sept 20 Tenafly 353 E. Clinton Ave-St John's Church
Sept 20 Elmwood Pk, Legion Place, Am. Legion Post 147
Sept 21 Pearl River, NY Central Ave Field
Sept 21 W. Caldwell 950 Bloomfield Ave. Konner Chev.
Sept 27 Dover 530 Mt Pleasant Ave. Home Depot
Sept 28 Haverstraw. NY BVowline Point Park
Sept 28 Lyndhurst 1050 Wall St. Whiskey Cafe
Oct 4 Lincoln Park 60 Chapel Hill Rd 1st Reformed
Church of Lincoln Park

I have flyers for most shows

For more shows go to
<http://holtononline.com/carshows.html>
www.njortc.org

Cruise Nights

Monday
Hawthorne-Goffle Grille, 140 Goffle Road
Wharton-Canal House 47 Kossuth Ave
Tuesday
Clifton, Rutt's Hutt
Fairfield-Taylor's Tap & Grille 335 Fairfield Rd.
Saddle Brook-Bennigan's 405 N. Midland Ave
Wednesday
Wycoff - Greenwood Ave
Clifton-The Hearth, 1146 Rte 46W
Thursday
Emerson-Kinderkermack Rd (Emer Shop Ctr)
Wayne-Kohl's, Rte 23 North
Hackettstown-Mountain Ave (Lowe's & Wendy's)
Friday
Boonton-Wal-Mart Shopping Center Wooten
Saturday
Lyndhurst-1050 Wall St (Whiskey Cafe)

שנה טובה!



Joyous Rosh Hashanah

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



Missouri cookies showing the trip



to Springfield by Bill Downing New Jersey



TBird themed garage by Bob Sabino



Activities for the kids



Trivia session - Martha kept score = ladies won.



The PICNIC

The weather cooperated with a beautiful day for the 2014 annual club picnic. The morning started off with coffee and snacks. Carol and Charlie Ehm brought bagels and Henry and Judy Semmler brought crumb cake, so as usual for a club get together we began with food. Speaking of food Arlene Kubat did a great job and there was plenty to eat (surprise, surprise). Pat LaStrange brought his PA and sound system treated us to a wonderful selection of music.

The morning was spent socializing and trying to figure out the "Guess Who" high school pictures. Forty-one members supplied pictures for the "Guess Who" contest. There were board games, lawn games and water balloons just for the young people and everyone stayed busy.

Frank, Chabala, Phil and Dorothy Guidone, Charlie and Carol Ehm, cooked chicken, hot dogs and hamburgers to go with the three tables of salads. Diane and James Gumsby supplied fresh corn again, handling the shucking and cooking. Although unable to make the picnic, Bill and Dorothy Hyde dropped off some home-made bread and butter and dill pickles for our enjoyment.

The afternoon activities began with the second-annual egg toss, won by Ron Case and Diane Gumsby. After the egg toss we identified all of the pictures on the "Guess Who" board. Using the honor system everyone scored their guesses. A few people got them half right, the big winners were Arlene Kubat and Don Dobres with twenty-four correct answers. For the mechanically inclined there was a Nuts, Bolts and Washers jar where members got to guess the number of each item. Members Donna Jessie, Joanne Seiler and Julia Khodjaeva only missed the exact number of nuts by one, Tiffany Roe came closest on bolts by two and Lorraine Cirinelli and Joanne Seiler were within three on the number of washers.

The food activities continued with the cookie contest judging. Five of the youngsters were selected to be judges, each child was paired with an adult. The cookies were divided into five categories: shortening, chip, bar, nut and novelty. Each pair of judges determined the winner for a single category, the winners were: shortening-Lucille Chabala; chip-Lia Howhannesian (Pat's granddaughter); nut-Diane Gumsby; bar-Lois Martin and novelty Carol Ehm. All together there were nineteen entries in the contest!

We concluded the afternoon's activities with this year's trivia game. To speed the game up members were asked to select either a question from the 50's or 60's, rather than choosing a category. The game continued until everyone present got an opportunity to make a selection. Obviously the ladies honed their trivia skills as they pulled away from the men and won easily 40 to 34.

A big thank you goes out to all the club members who pitched in to make this year's picnic a success. There was plenty of help to set-up, serve, judge and breakdown. It's great to be a member of such a wonderful club. All told, we had over 70 people attending and 15 TBirds plus some other old cars.

Bill Downing

TRIVIA



One more on this - why did it get the "W" designation? Henry is excluded from this as he told me the reason.

The answer to last months trivia was "W" and the winner was Henry Semmler



Picnic Contest Winners



Egg Tossing, Ron & Diane



Cookie Contest - Lucille, Diane, Carol, Lois, Lia



"Guess Who" - Don & Arlene

Joanne, Julia, and Donna were the winners on the nuts, Tiffany on the bolts and Lorraine and Joanne on the washers guessing game

Contests



Guess Who - High school pictures



Egg Tossing



Nut, bolt & washer guessing game



**Cookie tasting contest
Thanks to Bill D, Joanne and Martha for their contributions to the newsletter**