

New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club

Chapter 41 - Classic Thunderbird Club International



The Thunder Heard

June 2024

2024 Meeting Schedule

June 9	Mel Ramos
July	Steve Schmidt
August 11	Picnic
September	Marco Totaro
October	Charles Musto
November	Bill Downing
December 8	Christmas Party

The next meeting, is on June 9th. Mel & Carmen Ramos are the hosts. RSVP 732-826-2572 or melvinramos@comcast.net

If you cannot host your meeting as scheduled, it is your responsibility to get someone to switch with.

Please let Arlene and Toni know at least

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

June



President's Message



Thanks again to the Parrillos for a great spring cruise in April. It was a big turn out with very interesting stops. Our next big event was our combination Tune up clinic and regular monthly meeting. Both were hosted by Rich and Lois Martin at their home. We had an amazing amount of members and 17 T Birds. Please note, it was also Thunderbird appreciation day. Several Birds had work done. Everyone had a good time. Look on the web site photo page for pictures of both events.

Looking forward to all the summertime activities, cruise nights and shows. The June meeting will be Hosted by the Ramos's at the Raritan Yacht Club, which will be a nice change.

Wishing everyone a safe and healthy summer
 Patrick Le Strange
 President NJORTC





Vice President's Message



Our prayers go out to Mel Ramos and his family on the loss of his sister. Also praying that Lucille Chabala, Lois Martin, Don Dobres are feeling better. Pat had surgery on his vocal cords praying he would get his voice back, but, unfortunately, it did not work. He did get an injection on one side of his vocal cord and now definitely has to go to speech therapy and maybe he will get a little better. Let's just pray for him. It's horrible thing to not be able to talk. Hope everyone has a healthy month!

Thank you Rich and Lois for hosting the Tune-Up Clinic and monthly meeting. We had few Tbirds getting little jobs done. We also had a brake job done. We had 17 T-birds turn out for the day. What a beautiful site. It was also T-bird Appreciation Day. We had a good number of members come to tune-up clinic(ladies just to talk) and the meeting. It was a great day. I also want to thank Aileen Corbett, Diane Szura and Donna Jesse and all the other women who helped get the food ready for the meeting. You ladies were a big help to Lois. The food served was so good and, of course, the desserts were delicious. Oh yes, meeting was good too.

I want to congratulate our school (college, high school and grammar) graduates. Good luck to all of you in the future.

T. J. Mirro, Bachelor Degree, with high honors

Ayden Burns, University of Buffalo
Evan Martin, Mechanical Engineer,
University of Delaware

Zach MacMillan, Calvin College, Michigan
Victoria Jesse, Graduate School, Hunter
College, NY

Kianna Sadati, 98th Grade, St. Anthony
School, Hawthorne

At our next meeting we will discuss our club picnic. Date of picnic is August 11, 2024. If anyone has any ideas as to any activities or something they want to do at picnic, bring to the meeting.

Our next meeting is Sunday, June 9th, hosted by Mel and Carman Ramos at 2:00, Raritan Yacht Club, 160 Water Street, Perth Amboy..

HAPPY FATHERS DAY TO ALL YOU GREAT MEN OUT THERE. Enjoy your special day.

See you soon, Arlene

May Meeting

The May meeting, held at the Martin's home, was very well attended. The victuals were good and plentiful.. Thanks to Rich & Lois for hosting and holding the Tune Up Clinic at their home..

Highlights of the Business Meeting

The minutes for the last meeting were read and the treasurer's report given. Both were accepted.

Donna reported on the upcoming CTCI convention and other CTCI matters Pat spoke about last month's cruise and thanked Mike & Theresa for putting it together.

Arlene reported on the upcoming picnic and to contact her on any suggestions, specifically on possible games.

Arlene also spoke on the Christmas party -DJ has been hired and would like a list of songs people want. Party is to be held at the Elks Club in Mt. Arlington.

The RSVP situation was brought up. Mmembers should RSVP the host in plenty of time for them to plan. In this regard, it was brought up that meeting notices were being sent out as done in the past. The meeting co-ordinator is going to send a notice out now.

Sue brought up the question of subsidizing the hosts for their meeting. After much discussion Pat mentioned that it is a board decision. In addition, Steve H. mentioned that usually only once in a 4 year span that a member is required to host. Members were told to keep refreshments simple.

50/50 won by Joe
Next meeting June 9th

10 Gimmicks You Find On Classic Cars at Car Shows

<https://youtu.be/S0StWwMp8bE?si=Pm0HzdPUzXzN675>

From Vince Ucci

Membership News

Happy Anniversary

Mark & Joyce Santimauro 7th
 Ron & Merry Case 19th
 Jere & Linda Klein 22nd
 Marco & Linda Totaro 24th



Arlene Kubat 1st
 Carrie Meehan 18th
 Valerie Kriney 20th



Don Dupres
 George Gayette
 Lucille Chabala

May Meeting Pics



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Club Announcements

June Meeting

The June meeting is scheduled for June 9th. Venue is the Raritan Yacht Club, 160 Water St, Perth Amboy. Time is 2 PM. Be sure to RSVP our hosts, including regrets.

July Meeting

No information at this time



June 16th

Cars & Coffee

Saturday - 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month - Franklin Lakes-649 Franklin Ave. Crossroads Church

Cruise Nights

Monday

Paramus- 314 Paramas Rd Taverna
Rockaway-152 Rte 46-Red Hut Diner

Tuesday

Wayne-1560 Rte 23 North-Wensy's
Clifton-417 River Rd-Rutt's Hut
Elmwood Park-111-95 Rte 46 west-Pizza Town

Wednesday

Wycoff-422 Cedar Hill Ave-Christian Ref.
Church

Thursday

Wayne-1800 Rte 46 North-Kohl's

Friday

Boonton-Walmart Shopping Center

Saturday

Towaco-445 Main St-Diane's Dairy

Car Shows/Swap Meets

6/2 Waldwick-4 Hewson Ave-Waldwick train station

6/2 River Edge-259 Johnson Ave-Prime 259

6/8 Rockaway-508 Green Pond Rd-Holy Trinity Church.

6/8 Emerson-600 Kinderkamack Rd-Stop & Shop (\$25)

6/9 Paramus-165 Rte 4 W. Panera Bread

6/15 Ridgewood 100 W.Ridgewood Ave-Cupola

6/15 Rockaway-140 Green Pond Rd-Tri-City Fair **2-6 PM**

6/16 Randolph-24 Pierson Hill RD-Horseshoe Lake

6/23 Wayne-475 Valley Rd,-Municipal lot

6/23 Paterson-61-127 Preakness Ave. JFK High School

6/30 Bogota-24 River Rd-Sahara Club7/7

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7/6 Pompton Plains-Cruise in-411 Rte 23S-Plaza 23 Diner **10:30-1:30**

7/14 Oradel-900 Fifth Ave-River Dell High Sch.

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

June 14th is Flag Day - display the red, white and blue

For Sale



1955 T-Bird

Goldenrod yellow clearcoat. 1989 Mustang H.O. , Fuel Injection, Paxton supercharger. 12 Volt. Griffin radiator. T-5 trans, Hurst shifter. Disc brakes (Lincoln Versailles), dual master. Continental Kit. Flowmaster mufflers. Traction bars. Power steering. Hard (white) and soft (black) tops. 55 Fairlane headlight rims. 56 Merc station wagon tail lights. Wire wheels and radials.

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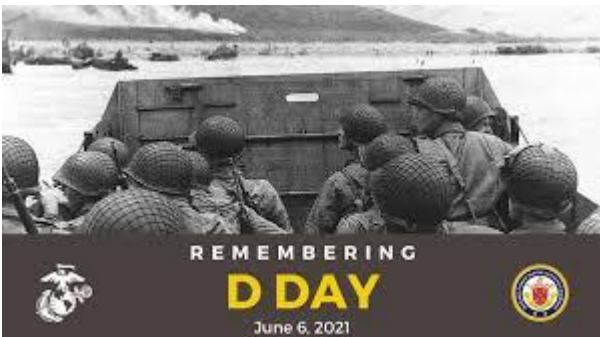
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Tune Up Clinic

It was a great day for our yearly tune up clinic. Sunny, low humidity great temps. Rich & Lois were the hosts. Members brought donuts and bagels for the early attendees and Lois had the coffee ready. By 9AM there were about 7 birds that had arrived. Total birds attending were 17, 7 of which had some items that needed to be attended to. Repairs varied from replacement of the horn wire to a front disc brake changeover. Many thanks to Rich for the use of his tools and work space.



Fun Facts

Three Musketeers bars got their name because they used to come in three flavors



Did You Know...
In ancient Greece, tossing an apple to a girl was a traditional proposal of marriage. Catching it meant she accepted



**Summer Soltice - longest daylight of the year
June 20th**

**You burn more calories sleeping than watching
television - nap anyone ?**



**Three guys to change one light bulb?
Note-there was four
Additional pics on the web site**



Mid to late 55 scene- all three major auto co's represented

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