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HAPPY NEW YEAR

200	8 Meeting Schedule
March 30	Alec Johnstone
April	Charlie & Izabela Costa
May	Dennis & Gail Chirico
June	Al & Ellen Catanzaro
July	Pat LeStrange & Joanne Seiler
August 10	MINI CONCOURS
September	John & Sandy Pyrros
October	Vince DeAndrea
November	Frank & Lucille Chabala
December	Holiday Party

The Mar. 30 Meeting will be hosted by Alec Johnstone At 2pm RSVP: 201-934-4058 Paddington Sq. Club House. Mahwah Directions last page

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.



SPRING IS COMING?



President's Message



Well, this is my first official President's message.

At our January meeting we had a very good turn out and have planned a lot of activities for the coming year. This weekend will be the Sweetheart Brunch at the Bethwood in Totowa. At the end of February will be the Atlantic City Auction and the next few months we have the Race Track and Mini Concours, to name a couple. I will try to attend most activities and hope club members will do the same.

I have also appointed the following: Arlene Kubat will serve out the remainder of my Vice Presidents' term. Two new trustees were named, Mike Meehan and John Pyrros. I feel these appointments will help give the club a shot of adrenaline and get us active again.

I would like to thank the outgoing trustees Phil Guidone and Dominick Tucci for their work over the last few years.

As you may also know, I have given up the newsletter after three years. I have not the time to keep to the level of time it requires. I have enjoyed doing the newsletter and appreciate the response you have all given us. As of this newsletter, Paul Schroll will become the editor and Alec Johnstone will continue to assist. I would like to personally thank Alec for all the help he gave with the newsletter and wish Paul success and good luck. Please keep them informed on newsletter (and club) items and activities.

That's about it for now.

Pat LeStrange

A few words from Alec

Midwinter greetings to all and congratulations to Pat LeStrange on becoming President and Paul Schroll for assuming the job as editor of our

newsletter. Good luck to both of them.

Be sure to send any items of interest to Paul or me to include in the newsletter. My computer is down temporarily so send to Paul for now.

I hope to see all of you at the coming events this year.

Happy Motoring Alec

New Roster in the works let me know of any changes

Also let me know if any birthdays or anniversaries are wrong or have been left out

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Please make a note of the meeting roster for 2008. If you are listed for hosting a meeting and find that this month is not good for you please let me know ASAP and try to switch with someone else hosting in 2008. Remember every member is expected to host a meeting. The rotation is usually about 3 years. So this means you will be expected to host a monthly meeting once every 3 years. Meetings are usually held towards the end of the month, on a Sunday late afternoon. We also ask that you please let our host of the month know at least a week before meeting date whether or not you will be attending. I try very hard to have the exact date of the up coming meetings 2 months in advance. If you have any questions or comments I can be reached by e-mail at purplerose714@optonline.net or cell phone 551-404-3646.

Thank you. Joanne Seiler Meeting coordinator

My TBird

I would like to include a picture of a member 's TBird in each issue. The car does not have to be on the road and one under construction will be ok. Please send me a picture of your car.

Upcoming Events

Night at the Track

This is slated for April 17th. Dinner starts at 5:30 PM. Post time for racing is 7.00PM

Price is \$50.00 per person . Come and have a great dinner and watch the ponies run. Who knows, you could be the big winner for the night on a \$2 bet.. Make out the check to NJORTC (due 3/1/08) and mail to:

Bob Belli 57 Longview Drive Emerson, NJ 07630

Mini Concours

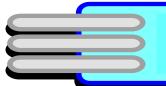
As noted in the meeting schedule, the Mini Concourse will be on August 10th. However, this year it will be at the Sugarloaf section, just beyond the Doe Meadow section that we have had it in the past.

We need some suggestions for club functions. Lets try to get back to something every month. Car orientated ones are preferred, but it can be anything. We also need dates, because without a firm commitment we just never get around to it. Some suggestions and things we've done in the past were: concerts, bowling, brunches, sightseeing.

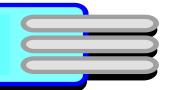
Here we go again



This will never end, it seems



Membership News



January February ANNIVERSARIES

Birthday!

September 1 September 2 Septemb

Get Well

Gail Chirico

Dennis Chirico



I am looking for your input for items to be included in the newsletter – tech articles, events, etc.

Any items you want us to publish in the newsletter must be received before the 20th of the month they can be e-mailed directly to me Paul Schroll pts1231@aol.com

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Feb. 28-Mar 2 Atlantic City Auction

April 23 – 27 Spring Carlisle

April 27 Rte 23 Automall, Butler

May 4 Short Hills (I have entry form) Benefit Valerie Fund

June 6-8 All Ford Nationals, Carlisle, PA



Time is running out

Dues must be paid. Please submit to Frank Chabala

Directions to Alec Johnstone's for

March club meeting

Chads Barn in Paddington Square

Mahwah

201-788-1671

2:00 PM

From Rte 17 North

Be sure to call if you are attending

Continue past Lake St/E. Crescent Ave. exit and shopping center. Slow down, get in right lane. Just after Macroni grill and before Dunk'in Donuts make a sharp right on to Airmont Avenue. At first light, turn left into Paddington Square and continue around almost to end. Make a left on Chads Barn Court.

From Route 17 South

Take Rte 287 to Rte 17 South
Continue to Spring Street exit (just after NJ Transit rail station). Make two lefts continuing over Rte 17.
Continue past light at Franklin Turnpike (road changes to Hilltop Rd).

Continue to end and make left onto Airmont Ave.
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