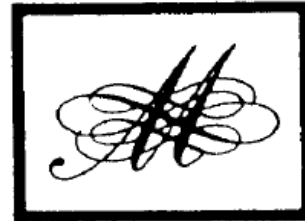


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SCOOP FROM THE PREZ

Greetings again Goat Fans,

With Memorial Day past us and the unofficial opening of Summer behind us, I hope each and every one of you is having a great time this year already. I can't believe it's time to put all the final preparations together for attending the GTOAA International Meet. I hope all of you, that are able to, are planning to go. If you haven't been before, there's just no way to describe what you're missing. It's a must for anyone into GTOs! We will be discussing travel plans and other details during our June 4th meeting at the Museum of Transport. Please try to attend - see you there!

I'd like to thank those of you who came out to the May meeting and cruise at the Cross Keys Burger King. I think those of you who were there would agree that the Goats were well represented. That's the kind of exposure we need as a club. We even signed up at least one new member! Welcome John Staff, it's about time! Parts to sell or swap were a little scarce, however, I heard a few good deals were had. Please feel free to bring swap/sale items to any of our meetings, or send a list to Ron Fiebiger to put in the newsletter under the "Cars and Parts For Sale" section. What's junk to you just may very well be that long-sought treasure another member has been searching for all his or her life! (Well.....you get the picture.)

I would like to apologize to everyone for the cancellation of our originally planned display at Glasgow Auto Parts (again). Needless to say, nothing will be planned with them in the future. I hope none of you were inconvenienced.

It seems that cruising is now just as popular as it ever was, if not more so (except Northwest Plaza). Actually, there are two kinds of cruising and they are very much related. One type is simply getting into your favorite "cool machine", preferably a GTO, and going mobile, sometimes repeating certain, often populated routes. The other form of cruising is people meeting at a certain location with their rides, again, hopefully a Goat, to just "Hang-Out", shooting the breeze and admiring the cars and whatever else catches their fancy. I'm sure most of you are wondering why I'm explaining this. You're saying to yourself "I know what cruising is, I've done it for years!" Everybody knows what it is - NOT! Now everyone knows. What I'm leading up to is that it is a very popular pastime and a lot of us did it many years ago with quite a bit newer GTOs. Now it seems that there are as many cruises as car shows and every place has them. If any of you are planning on attending a certain cruise night anywhere, get on the horn and call around and get other members to meet you there. It'll be more fun and we can show the public what "Muscle Cars" really are all about!

Don't forget to come out to the Moore Pontiac Display on June 13th. Let's be there in force to support our sponsor! See you all there!

That's all for now,
Good Goating,
Darrell

FROM THE EDITOR'S BACK SEAT

I'm sure you have noticed that this issue covers two months, May and June. The reason for this is that I need time this month to get my GTO finished for the International Meet and my Grand Prix is going in the body shop this month for detailing for the POCI Show-Me Regionals in September. I also wanted to prevent a case of "editor's burn out". I hope you all will understand. Tony Bezzole and Pete Fahle's column, The Old Goat Racers, is making its debut in this issue of the newsletter. Please contact Tony or Pete with any information for this column. As always, I am looking for cars to feature as Goat of the Month in The Hood Scoop. I know there are plenty of cars in our club that would look great on the cover and have histories that would make interesting articles. If you would like to have your GTO featured, please contact me as soon as possible.

If you have recently joined the GTOAA or join in the future, please let me know your membership number. I need to keep track of these because our club gets reimbursed for the percentage of our members that are also GTOAA members

I have updated copies of the GGTOA roster available. If you want one, see me at the June meeting or call me and I will mail you one.

Ron Fiebiger

TREASURER'S REPORT By Will Bowers

Beginning Checkbook Balance 3/31/92.....	\$ 764.08
Income:	
Dues.....	\$ 73.00
Jackets & Shirts.....	\$ 138.50
Moore Sponsorship Check.....	\$ 500.00
Replacement of Returned Check.....	<u>\$ 60.00</u>
Total After Income.....	\$1,535.58
Disbursements:	
World or Wheels Lighting (Ray Mersch).....	\$ 16.00
April Newsletter & Postage.....	\$ 118.82
Muscle From The Past Refreshments (Mark Feldman)...	<u>\$ 61.50</u>
Ending Checkbook Balance 05/31/92.....	\$1,339.26
Petty Cash.....	<u>\$ 64.85</u>
Total Cash on Hand.....	\$1,404.11

The GGTOA welcomes new members Brian Ecker (1964 Convertible) and John Staff (three 1964 GTOs). Total membership as of 06/01/92 is 87. There are a couple of extra GGTOA jackets for sale. T-shirts, Polo shirts and can wraps are a great way to show club spirit and promote the GGTOA. GGTOA wearables and stuff are available at the monthly meetings. Get yours while the selection is good.

MINUTES OF MAY MEETING

Recorded by Ron Fiebiger

Darrell Carnal called the meeting to order at 3:15 PM.

Darrell asked if any new members or guests were present. One new member signed up at the cruise, he is John Staff.

Darrell apologized for the cancellation of the car show at the Glasgow Auto Parts.

Darrell said that the original artwork is needed to have new GGTOA business cards made. He will get the artwork and have them made soon.

Darrell and Brad Piper said that there have been few complaints about the new GGTOA Participation Points System. Brad has done a good job putting the system together and he said that he is open for input or feedback. Members are responsible for either signing in at club events or letting Brad know of their attendance at non club events. The sign in sheet will always be by the yellow GGTOA sign at club events. Racers will receive 5 points for each time they go racing and they should keep track and let Brad know when they attend races. Brad showed everyone the binder he is using to track points and he said that the system started on April 1st and it is not retroactive. Officers will not receive points for serving this year.

Members were asked who will be attending the O'Fallon Boosters May Fest/Auto Fest. A show of hands was counted. Dave Kries is the GGTOA Event Chairman.

Darrell reminded everyone that the GTOAA International Meet is not on a weekend this year, it will be Sunday through Thursday. Brad Piper said that he is organizing a group to leave on Sunday morning. They will meet at the truck stop in Troy, Illinois at 8:00 AM and the drive will take approximately six hours. He will have maps at the June meeting. Brad also said that they might stop at the Cracker Barrel restaurant in Bloomington, Illinois on the way. The price to get into the drag strip will be \$30 per carload, so to save some money, members may want to go to the races together.

Tony Valenti of Motor Sport Art & Hobby was introduced. (He is the person who organized the Cross Keys Burger King Supercruise where this meeting was held.) Tony gave out dash plaques for the cruise to GGTOA members.

Darrell said that the GTOAA will be having a meeting at the International Meet with each chapter represented by two members. Some items that will be covered are updating of the GTOAA By-Laws and the future direction of the GTOAA. Darrell also said the entire swap meet will be inside.

Brad spoke about the Street Machine Nationals coming up in June. He will have more information in the next newsletter. Anyone interested in attending should contact him.

MINUTES OF MAY MEETING (CONTINUED)

Darrell said that the Moore Pontiac Display on April 25th was a success despite the cold and rainy weather. He received the \$500 sponsorship check from Moore at the show. There are two more displays scheduled at Moore this year. One will be on June 13th and the other will be on September 12th and there will probably be trophies and dash plaques given out during at least one of them.

Ron Fiebiger spoke next about the newsletter. He said that he is always looking for people to write articles on events and for cars to feature as Goat of the Month.

Darrell spoke about the latest issue of GTO Enthusiast Magazine. He pointed out that two member's cars appeared in it. There was a nice write up on John Seabolt's 1964 GTO Coupe. Darrell commented on John's great literary ability. Vic & Joyce Nettle's 1972 Grand Prix Convertible was also pictured in the magazine. Joyce said that the caption under the picture mistakenly identified it as a 1969 Grand Prix. She has contacted George Ellis (the publisher) and he said that he would correct this in a future issue. Darrell said that this is a great magazine and he would like to see it continue. New issues will be printed every time there are 200 new subscribers and there is a new subscription rate of \$15 for six issues.

Darrell said that Dave Kries had volunteered to take over for Rich Vie as our GTOAA Chapter Rep. A vote was held and Dave was elected to this position. Dave will also serve as a GTOAA Regional Rep.

Information was available for Dennis Kirban's GTO/Buick Regal Reunion which will be held in Pennsylvania as it has been for the past few years.

Chris Simmons had information available on Mid America Raceway's 1992 season.

Darrell asked everyone's opinion on having this meeting outside on a weekend. Most people said they liked it but it was noted that, except for one member, those attending were the people that usually attend the regular Thursday night meetings. Darrell is open to suggestions on places to hold other outside weekend meetings.

Will Bowers gave the Treasurer's Report. He didn't have the exact figures with him but he stated that the club is in the black. Will also had jackets, shirts and can wraps for sale.

The next meeting will be Thursday, June 4th, at 7:00 PM at the Museum of Transport.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM and most members in attendance headed over to Burger King for the cruise.



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'82 Sedan Deville Amecster Dark Plum/Slate Leather	
'81 Seville Antares/Brown Leather	\$18,999
'81 Sedan Deville Sapphire Blue/Blue Leather	\$21,999
'81 Sedan Deville Gulliver White/Red Leather	\$21,895
'81 Sedan Deville White/Slate Leather	\$21,757
'80 Sedan Deville Royal Maroon/Maroon Leather	14,xxx Miles
'80 Blazer Red/Crystal Leather	20,xxx Miles
'80 Sedan Deville Carmine Edition	\$19,431
'80 Coupe Deville Roadster White/Antelope	\$18,884
'80 Brougham Sapphire Frontier/Blue Leather	21,xxx Miles
'80 Sedan Deville Sapphire Blue/Blue Cloth	29,xxx Miles
'80 Sedan Deville Black/Gray Leather	\$14,844
'80 Fleetwood D'Elegance Roadster	Gorgeous
'80 Sedan Deville Sapphire Blue Leather	26,xxx Miles
'80 Eldorado Roadster White/Red Leather	\$16,842
'80 Brougham White/White Leather/Gold Package	
'80 Eldorado Rosewood/Rosewood Cloth-Leather	\$14,925
'80 Brougham Sapphire Frontier/Blue Leather	21,xxx Miles
'80 Eldorado Biarritz Sapphire Blue Frontier/White Leather	33,xxx Miles
'80 Seville Black King Fisher Blue/Blue Leather	Double Sharp
'80 Seville Carmine/Carmine Leather	\$18,884
'80 Biarritz Sapphire/Blue Leather V6	26,xxx Miles
'80 Coupe Deville Antelope Frontier/Antelope Leather	40,xxx Miles

★ CADILLACS ★

'87 Sedan Deville Roadster Academy Gray/Leather	\$8,836
'87 Sedan Deville Amethyst/Amethyst Leather	Astro-rod
'87 Sedan Deville Flair Frontier	\$8,872
'87 Eldorado Roadster Carmine/White Leather	
'86 Brougham White/Red Cloth	\$6,999
'86 Coupe Deville	\$4,999
'86 Brougham D'Elegance w/Astro-rod	Sharp
'86 Fleetwood Medium Sapphire Frontier	\$6,888
'86 Fleetwood Brougham Sapphire/Blue Cloth	Astro-rod
'86 Eldorado Biarritz Convertible	Gorgeous

★ FAMILY/LUXURY/ECONOMY ★

'82 Bonneville S/E White/Blue Cloth Anti-Lock Brakes	\$15,361
'82 Bonneville S/E White/Red Cloth Anti-Lock Brakes	\$15,181
'82 Bonneville S/E White/Blue Cloth Anti-Lock Brakes	11,xxx Miles
'82 Bonneville S/E White/Blue Cloth	\$16,732
'82 Bonneville S/E Carmine/Carmine Cloth	\$14,810
'82 Bonneville S/E Slate Gray	\$14,887
'82 Bonneville S/E Sapphire	\$14,887
'81 Mercury Cougar LS	Only 3,xxx Miles
'81 Mercury Tracer 4 Door, Auto, Air	\$7,999
'80 LaMarr LE Air, 20,xxx Miles	\$4,877
'80 Transport S/E 20,xxx Miles	\$14,864
'80 Grand Prix LE Sedan	\$3,999
'80 Galaxie SE Coupe 20,xxx Miles	\$7,241



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'90 Convertible w/Hardtop	\$24,695
'90 Convertible Red/Camel Leather	23,xxx Miles
'90 Coupe White/Red Leather	\$22,861
'90 Coupe Black/Titanium Leather & Speed	15,xxx Miles
'90 Coupe Red/Red Leather	\$21,210
'89 Convertible White/Blue Leather	\$21,694
'89 Coupe Black/Titanium Leather	20,xxx Miles
'89 Coupe Black Sapphire/Camel Leather	\$19,960
'89 Convertible White/Red Leather	34,xxx Miles
'88 Coupe Steel Citise Grey/Gray Leather	\$15,995
'88 Coupe Flame Red Camel Leather	\$16,961
'87 Coupe Flame Red Camel Leather	\$14,865
'82 Coupe Collectors Edition	\$12,742
'80 Coupe Cobalt Blue/Camel Leather	\$8,999

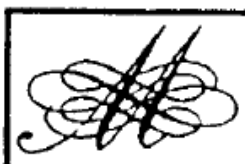
★ FAMILY/LUXURY/ECONOMY ★

'89 Grand Prix S/E	\$7,884
'89 Grand Am Sedan	\$4,732
'89 Bonneville SSE w/Astro-rod	\$8,964
'89 Mercury Topaz G.S. w/11,xxx Miles	\$4,214
'89 Grand Prix S/E White/Gray Cloth	44,xxx Miles
'89 Grand Am LE Maroon/Gray Cloth Loaded	\$5,999
'89 Honda Prelude Si Auto/Air	\$8,486
'89 Grand Am Slate/Slate Cloth	\$4,842
'87 Bonneville S/E Carmine	\$4,999
'87 Honda Accord LX Auto/Air	\$4,295
'87 Toyota Scion Sedan Auto/Air	\$4,899
'87 Buick Park Avenue King Fisher Blue	\$1,899
'87 Oldsmobile Delta Royale	\$5,962
'87 Grand Am Coupe V6	\$3,425
'87 Plymouth Horizon Auto/Air	\$3,216
'87 Cutlass 442 W/T-Tops	\$6,214
'87 Oldsmobile LE Station Wagon	\$3,233
'86 Oldsmobile Delta Royale	\$4,899
'86 Cutlass G-Body Brougham Loaded	\$4,895
'86 Celebrity Sedan	Immaculate
'86 Regency Brougham Antelope 40,xxx Miles	\$8,843
'86 Grand Am Sedan Blue/Gray	\$4,236
'85 Lincoln Town Car Ice Blue	Absolutely Gorgeous
'82 Regal LTD Academy Gray Astro-rod	\$2,999

★ CONVERTIBLES/SPORTS/TRUCKS ★

'81 G.M.C. Sierra SLE 4x4 Sports Side	
'80 G.M.C. Explorer Limited Conversion Van	
'80 Transport S/E 28,xxx Miles	\$14,864
'80 Formula W/T-Tops Red/Gray	24,xxx Miles
'80 Grand Prix S/E Academy Gray	\$7,884
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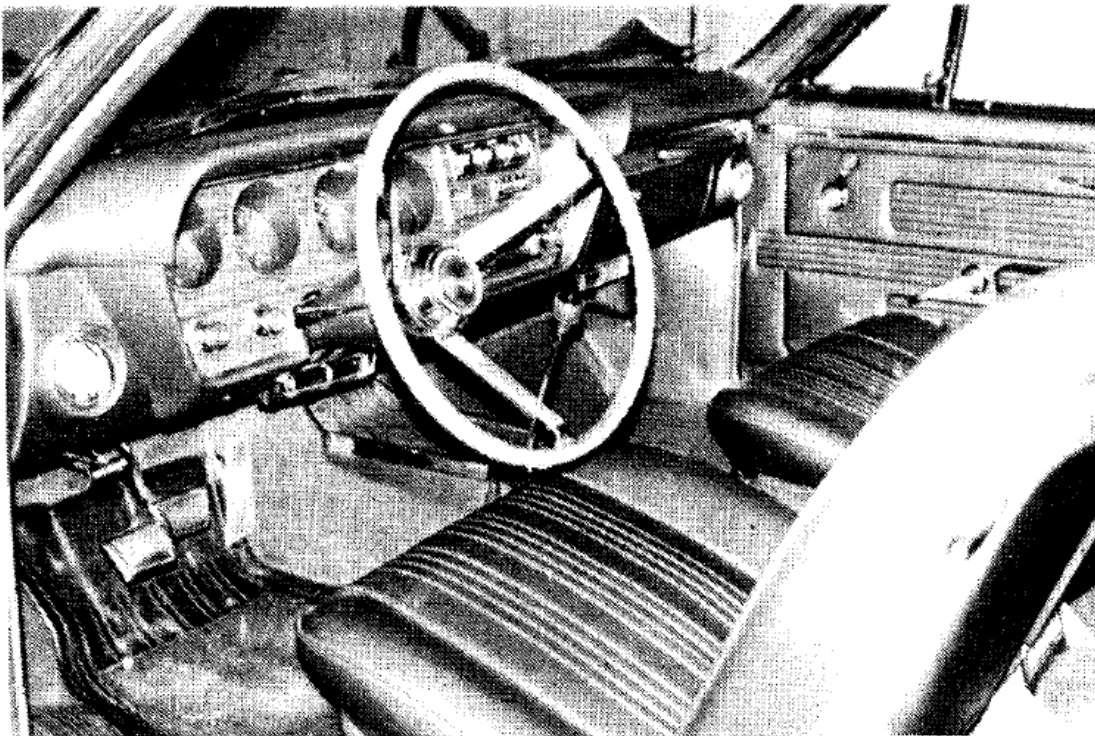
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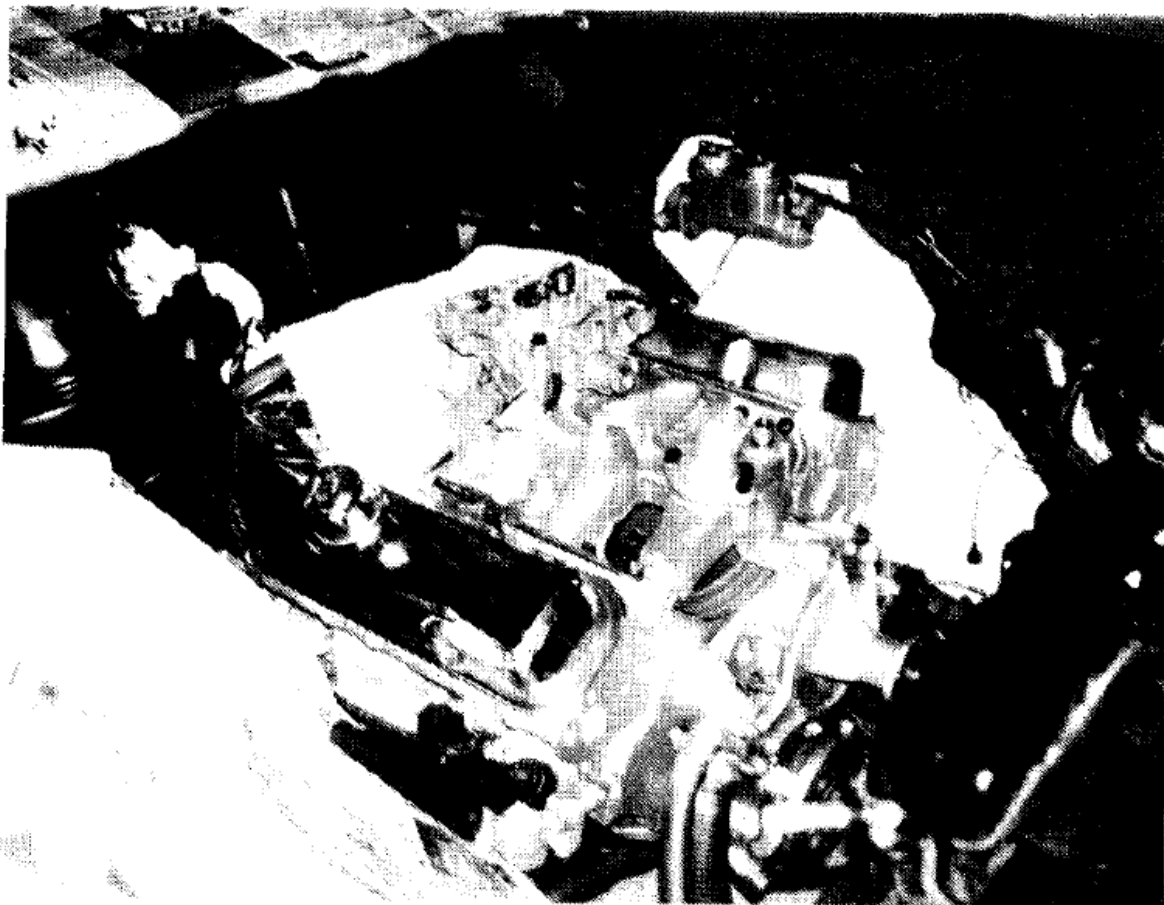
By Will Bowers

I really wasn't looking for another car, however, out of habit, I was scanning the classic car ads in the St. Louis Post Dispatch the Friday before Labor Day, 1989. The car was advertised as a 1967 HO, with a 4 speed, tri-power and Rally I wheels. Needless to say, I called the number all afternoon but didn't get any answer until about 4:00 PM. The seller asked if I had tried to call before because his answering machine wasn't working and he had just come home from work. I was his first call! Turns out that the car was in North County, about ten minutes from my work. He did not want to show the car until Saturday, but when I told him I was going out of town for the weekend, he agreed to let me come by after work.

Not having a photographic memory, I called John Novelli and he met me with all the numbers we needed to verify that it was original. As soon as the garage door went up I knew I wanted the car. The numbers and casting date on the motor confirmed that it was the original HO motor. The seller still had the original intake and HO air cleaner. Besides the options listed in the ad, the car had A/C, full tinted glass, power disc brakes, power steering, handling kit, rally dash, wood wheel, console, custom shift knob, cordova top, posi, front and rear seat belts, AM pushbutton radio and rear speaker. The car was built in November of 1966 and was obviously an early special order car. In addition, the seller had had a new headliner, carpet, arm rests, pads, exhaust, and repro Goodyear tires installed. He had also detailed the trunk

Believe it or not, the guy tossed John and I the keys for a test drive. We went out and "banged some gears". The car really ran good. John said, "If you don't buy it, I'm buying it!" If I had any doubts, that statement made up my mind.





After I purchased the car, I had the VIN traced through Pontiac. The documentation verified all of the options and also included the motor identification number which confirmed that it still had the original HO motor. The only thing that could be determined about the delivery, was that it went to a dealer in Pontiac's Northern District.

In the Fall of 1990 my luck continued. I was at the Behlmann Pontiac Display and believe it or not, the original owner was there. It was Nick Decker, a member of the POCI. As luck would have it, he had kept the original window sticker, order form and other documentation and was kind enough to give me copies.

Basically, the car seemed sound, showed little rust, had decent paint and was pretty quick. I have only raced it on a couple of occasions, however, its best time was in the 13.90's. Not wanting to risk damage to the original motor, it is no longer raced. Last Summer it was repainted and had some body work done as the car had been hit on both quarters. I feel the paint really turned out slick. It was done by Lonero's on West Florissant and I would recommend their work highly.

The car is my wife's favorite. Donna likes to help get it ready and talk to people about it at shows. It was the car we used in our wedding. At one point I considered selling it, but she convinced me that the Mariner Turquoise car was definitely a keeper.

THE OLD GOAT RACERS

By Tony Bezzole and Pete Fahle

The Muscle From The Past Muscle Car Shootout took place May 2nd and 3rd at Gateway International Raceway. The weather was GREAT! The temperature was in the 70s and the sun was shining. The GGTOA had three cars entered in the drag racing competition. Club members present were Ron Beach with his pretty red 65 Hardtop, Tony Bezzole with his red 70 Ram Air Hardtop and Pete Fahle with his awesome 69 Hardtop. They all competed in the 12.50 and slower e.t. bracket. Ron Beach advanced to a fifth place finish, winning \$50. His 65 was running 12.90s. Tony Bezzole went out in the first round. His 70 was running 12.89. Pete went out in the third round. His 69 was running 12.60s.

Wednesday night grudge races saw Ron & Ronnie Beach (the Father & Son racing team), Tony Bezzole, Harry Becker, Scott Brohammer, Pete Fahle and Paul Middendorf show up for time trials and jackpot racing. The Beach Boys had their new blue 69 GTO race car out for the first time this year but suffered problems with a motor miss. Scott's 69 Convertible was also out for the first time and ran an 11.33 with a fresh junk yard motor. Harry Becker's 65 GTO ran a best of 13.30. Tony Bezzole's 70 GTO ran a best ever 12.82 on this cool night. Pete Fahle also ran his quickest time ever, a 12.54. Paul Middendorf was racing his Pontiac powered Chevy pickup and was in the 15s.

Craig "Axle" Weiss was out racing on the 12th of April for his first time this year. The car, a 65 GTO, has seen a lot of work over the winter and ran a best ever 12.68 @ 106 mph with the 3 deuces working better than ever. Craig sez the Old Goat is ready for the racing season. Axle won at Mid America Raceway on Mother's Day, May 10, 1992. In a 32 car field for "Top Gun Thunder" honors, he ran a 12.701 on a 12.69 dial in to qualify for the final. "3-DUCES" was paired with a 68 442 455 ci and took the gold (\$105) on a double breakout turning 12.61 on a 12.69 dial in vs. a 14.40 dial in and 14.17 time. What a great gift for Mother on a beautiful Sunday afternoon in Wentzville.

This 1969 GTO Hardtop is owned and raced by Pete Fahle. The car was purchased in 1987 from a friend at work. It was a numbers matching car from Tampa, Florida. The first winter that Pete owned it, the engine and transmission were rebuilt. The car was raced like this for two years and then the engine was replaced with a .030 over 455 running a Ram Air IV cam and cast #64 heads. The trans was treated to a B&M Transkit rebuild



and the 10 bolt rear end was replaced with a 12 bolt carrying a 4.10 ring and pinion. The car started out in the 15s and now has run a best of 12.54 @ 108 mph.

MUSCLE FROM THE PAST

By Brad Piper

Saturday, May 2nd, marked this year's opening day for Muscle From The Past at Gateway International Raceway in Fairmont City, Illinois. The threat of rain was in the air all day, but Mother Nature held off for us. In fact, the overcast skies, cooler air and tail wind paid off for many people as they were able to turn some of their fastest times ever. Even the birthday boy (your newsletter editor) ran his 1977 Grand Prix and successfully shattered the 20 second mark with a blistering 17.4 at 79 mph! Our Treasurer, Will Bowers, didn't fare quite as well, having to limp home after what turned out to be his final pass. Seems something decided to let go in the rear end of his '65 GTO.

In the show area there were about 75 cars, with GTOs being the best represented model (a dozen or so total). Eight GGTOA member's Goats were among those on display. GGTOA Event Chairman Mark Feldman did an excellent job by providing brauts, hot dogs, chips, sodas and a tent. But for some reason, he wouldn't tell us what he ran in his first pass! He did much better on his second run and proudly let everyone know that he made it into the low 14s.

Day two was the big show day as the sun was out and so were the people! With about 200 show cars, a full bill of racing, swap meet, car auction, the Chippendales, Hooter Girls and Fantasy Girls, kick boxing and all kinds of things to spend your money on, there was definitely something for everyone. Mark Feldman was once again on top of things. He had more food and drinks ready for everyone and the chicken wings were a real treat! Mark set a good example of what an event chairman can provide for our members. Thanks Mark, from everyone, for a job well done!

On the track, Tony Bezzole, Pete Fahle and Ron Beach were our representatives. Tony was bumped in the first round, Pete made it to the third round and Ron made it to the quarter finals before getting edged out. He finished in fifth place and won \$50.

In the show area, there were 17 GTOs, 10 of which belonged to GGTOA members. All the Goats were polished up and looking sharp and they made a big impression on the hundreds of spectators. It's not often that you see a dozen classy GTOs lined up in a row! Thanks also to the four guys from Peoria that came down and hung out with us. It's always nice to see some different cars and talk with new people.

The day went very well, up until trophy presentation time when it was discovered that dozens of cars apparently did not get judged and many of the participants got pretty upset. Some participants actually just took trophies from the presentation table and left. Len Greco, the event promoter, tried to apologize for the inadequate, unqualified judges (that were nowhere to be found). Then, in an effort to avoid further problems, he promised everyone entered in the car show a first place trophy. With that, the car show ended and most everyone headed for the exits. It was the only dark moment to what had otherwise been a very bright and exciting, fun filled weekend.



MUSCLE FROM THE PAST – THE EXPLANATION

By Ron Fiebiger

In recent conversations with Len Greco, he told me that he wanted to clear up the past and look to the future. The following is his explanation of the circumstances that caused the problems at Muscle From The Past and what will be done to prevent them from happening in the future.

The car show judging chairman that Len used at Muscle From The Past was the same person he has used for the four shows prior to this one and he always did a good job. When the time came to award the trophies, Len found out about the judging problems and the chairman and judges were nowhere to be found. Len had no way to award the trophies and decided that the best thing he could do was to offer everyone a first place trophy. (I have the GGTOA member's trophies and will bring them to the June meeting.)

To prevent problems from happening again, Len is making some changes in his shows. Car Wars which was scheduled for July 5th has been canceled. He has recruited Elmer and Ty Sterthman to run the car show at the GM Nationals, September 26th & 27th. The Sterthmans are the people who run the O'Fallon Booster's May Fest/Auto Fest every Spring. Free entries will no longer be offered to car clubs because of some conflicts that have arisen but the entry fee will be lowered from \$18 to \$14.

Last but not least, Len said that these changes are not meant against the Gateway GTO Association in any way. He wishes to express his thanks for the great support we have given his shows the past and he said that in his opinion we are a great bunch and the best club around. He hopes that we will continue our support of his shows in the future.



CROSS KEYS BURGER KING SUPERCruise

By Donna Bowers

Saturday, May 9th, was the biggest cruise to hit the area this year. The Gateway GTO Association had a great turnout of at least a dozen cars. The evening started early with a GGTOA meeting in the adjoining K-Mart parking lot at 3:00. When it came time to make the move over to Burger King, the GTOs dominated the lot with all the prime parking spaces. It was estimated that there were approximately 250 cars that came and went throughout the evening. The weather was beautiful which made for an even more enjoyable cruise. There were several inquiries from people who were interested in a Gateway GTO Association membership.

On a sadder note, an amendment to impeach our President was overruled after he arrived in a less than pristine looking Pontiac Grand Prix. The only thing that was correct about that car was the color (red). Overall, our members came in some pretty impressive cars. We hope to see everyone again at the next event. It was a wonderful afternoon and evening for everyone that attended.

O'FALLON BOOSTERS MAY FEST/AUTO FEST

By Brad Piper

Mostly cloudy with a 50% chance of rain. Sounds like any other weekend this spring, huh? Sunday, May 17th, was no different, but it didn't stop nearly 200 participants from showing up at the 11th Annual Auto Fest in O'Fallon, Illinois. A total of ten GTOs were on hand, including a white 1970 Hardtop in the "For Sale" section. (I've got the guy's name if anyone is interested in it.)

After a couple of morning showers, the skies cleared a little and everyone started checking out all the nice rides. One vehicle that was getting a lot of attention was 1990 NHRA Top Fuel Champion, Joe Amato's 280 mph dragster. The O'Fallon Boosters club served a great breakfast in the park and there were plenty of games, rides and refreshments at the carnival throughout the day. For all the GGTOA members and their families, Dave Kries cooked hot dogs and had chips and sodas available. Once again, a great job was done by an event chairman by taking care of everything. Thanks, Dave!

In the car show competition, three GGTOA members took home trophies. They were Cathey Pacelli (and Dave Weeks) with her 67 in the modified class, Mark and Terri Clatto with their 71 and Brad and Tabby Piper with their 66 in the stock class. Paul Middendorf (66 Convertible) and Dave Kries (68 Convertible) also had their GTOs there and Bob Timmerberg brought his 64 LeMans Convertible.

STREET MACHINE NATIONALS UPDATE

By Brad Piper

For those of you who are planning your Summer car show schedule, you may want to include the 16th Street Machine Nationals in DuQuoin, Illinois, June 19th to 21st. This show may be especially appealing to those of you who can not attend the GTOAA International Meet in Chicago the following week, June 28th to July 2nd.

Last year, the SMNs attracted 3,500 classics, customs and street machines from around the world and an equally large attendance is expected again this year. In addition to national magazine coverage from Hot Rod and Car Craft, and most likely television coverage again, sponsors including BF Goodrich, Kicker Speakers, McCord Gaskets, Michigan 77 Engine Bearings and a host of others will be on hand with their products and helpful staff. Most vendors offer discount prices to showgoers at their display stands too!

Some attractions to look for this year include the ZZilla tour from Billy Gibbons and ZZ Top featuring the CadZZilla (48 Caddy), the Eliminator (33 Coupe), a couple of HogZZillas (Harleys) and the BigZZilla (53 custom semi) which carries them all. You can see a plain, stock vehicle get converted to full custom in 55 hours at the "Mild to Wild" display. The NASCAR pros will once again be competing against the clock and each other in the "McCord Engine Building Challenge". And of course, there will be various tech sessions, plenty of games and friendly competition, lots of food and snacks, souvenirs and the ever popular Miss SMN Swim Suit Contest.

There will be a "Burn Out" competition (2 classes) where the vehicle that produces the most smoke from the tires and gets the loudest crowd response wins a set of BF Goodrich T/A tires! There will also be awards for Best Club Display and Best Club Attendance, with a 3 foot trophy going to the winners. All participants will receive a "goody bag" and dash plaque at registration too.

After a full day each day in DuQuoin, nearly every small town in Southern Illinois comes alive at night with the rumble of horsepower! Main streets turn into parade routes lined with spectators to see all the classic cars out cruising. It's quite a party!

The cost is only \$45 in advance which includes two people per vehicle for the whole weekend. It's \$60 on the day of the show, so save \$15 by calling Special Events at (317)236-6522 to charge tickets. For motel reservations call Uniglobe at (800)359-0543. Motels usually fill up early, but there's lots of camping in the area for anyone who wants to go that route.

If anyone is interested in getting a group together to attend, call me. Tabby & I will be staying in Mt. Vernon and will cruise to DuQuoin early each day. We may have some additional space if anyone wants to join us.

GTOAA INTERNATIONAL MEET UPDATE

By Brad Piper

On Sunday, July 28th, Marriott's Lincolnshire Resort will be invaded by GTOers from all across North America. Lincolnshire, located about 30 miles North of downtown Chicago, will be the site of the 13th Annual GTO Association of America International Meet. This is the "once a year" chance for all GTOAA members and chapters to get together and share information, swap parts, plan the future direction of our organization, attend tech sessions given by the experts, see some of the best GTOs in the world, do a little drag racing and party together for four days, all in the spirit of The Great One!

Here are some highlights of this year's schedule of events: the PMD Vehicle Display, model car display, swap meet and tech sessions. Shopping trips and access to all resort facilities (i.e. swimming, boating, golf, tennis, etc.) will be available about every day. There will be a Hole Shot Launch Party to get everyone acquainted, the Concours Show featuring factory original, restored, modified and the new "Cruisin Popular Vote" class, a craft show and a poolside party. There will be all day GTO drags with a special drag racing feature that will have the famous "Glory Days" GTO matched up against our own Potter-Weiss Racing's '65 GTO. A Road Rally (to end at the drag strip), a Wisconsin BarBQ, a Parking Lot Party and of course, the Awards Ceremony are also scheduled. For the kids, there will be a Remote Control Road Rally and Drag Race. Speakers will include Mike Grippo (auto appraiser), Bill Stuart (car care products), Arnie "The Farmer" Beswick (legendary Pontiac racer), Dan Whitmore (expert Pontiac engine builder), Jim Wangers (father of the GTO and Pontiac Historian) and Bob Metzger (owner/operator of Great Lakes Dragway). There will also be a chance for participants to get pictures and auto-graphs of all these experts during the "Show and Snap" session.

If this sounds like a good time to you, now's the time to send in your meet/vendor registration. If you haven't joined the GTOAA yet, you better get your membership application filled out and sent in so you don't miss out on the fun! You MUST be a GTOAA member to register or participate at the event. The day-by-day schedule of events and registration forms are available in "The Legend", the official GTOAA publication.

If you need information on joining the GTOAA, see your April 1992 issue of The Hood Scoop. If you need to make hotel reservations for the meet, call (800)228-9290. Be sure you get a confirmation number! If you need additional meet/vendor information, call Dennis Parus (meet chairman) at (708)377-1009. If you still don't have the information you need, ask any Gateway GTO Association officer for help.

Lincolnshire is approximately 325 miles from St. Louis, or roughly six hours. A group is forming to leave on Sunday morning, June 28th, at about 8:00 AM from Troy, IL. Since the trip will take us up Interstate 55 all the way to Chicago, Troy will make a good meeting place for everyone. Smaller groups may form at other locations and then meet in Troy where everyone can top off their tanks, fill their coolers or have some breakfast. Details will be worked out over the next few weeks. If you have suggestions or want to join the Sunday group, call Brad Piper at (314)263-4623 days or (618)398-4855 evenings.

A DAY AT THE TRACK UPDATE

By Brad Piper

The following information was provided to me by Mike Harding of the Indy GTO Association during a recent phone conversation. The date will be August 22, 1992. I have just received a flyer from the IGTOA and will bring copies to the June GGTOA meeting.

This year's entry fee will be about \$20 per car (down from \$25 last year). Time schedules will be basically the same: registration starting around 8:00 or 9:00 AM, show and shine all morning, laps around the track followed by pictures in the pit area at about 1:00 PM and popular vote awards presentation from about 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM. There will be food available at the concession stand and GTO souvenirs available from the Indy club. The restrooms and other facilities are excellent.

After a few free hours to have dinner or whatever, we will be entertained by guest speaker Donald Davidson. He is recognized as one of the most knowledgeable sources of Indianapolis 500 trivia and will have several tidbits and little known facts to share with us. Hopefully it won't be as long as Jim Wanger's presentation last year!

For those who are still up to it, we may take a cruise to Bill's Fabulous 50s Drive-In, complete with roller-skating car hops. A root beer float on a hot summer night, what a way to end a fun filled day! This will be one Saturday you won't want to miss! The GGTOA chairman is Brad Piper.

WHAT'S NEW FOR GTOS

By Will Bowers

My job was easier this month since "The Legend" had an article on new products!

How about a free H-O Racing Specialties catalog for all GTOAA members! Just send a copy of your mailing label from the back of your Legend to: H-O Racing Specialties, PO Box 429, Hawthorne, CA 90250.

New reproductions from Performance Years GTOs, 400 Elm Avenue, North Wales, PA 10454, (215)699-3722: Printed Circuit boards for 1969-72 GTO with rally gauges. RC-15 radiator cap for 1964-70 GTO and Pontiac (has the large "ears" and correct marking). Clutch counter shaft swivel assembly for 1968-72, this is a complete three piece kit including all necessary pins and washers.

Dennis Kirban's latest is the 1964-65 Visor Vanity Mirror with "Pontiac" on the frame. 1482 Sugar Bottom road, Furlong, PA 18925, (215)348-8571.

Year One has just made available reproductions of the early style valve covers for 1964-66. Not cheap at \$150, however, perfect ones especially for the 64, with filler tube have been almost impossible to find. PO Box 2023, Tucker, GA 30085, (404)493-6568.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The following is only a partial listing of the many events going on this Summer. Brad Piper has a binder that is stuffed full of show and cruise flyers that we have received over the past couple of months. He will bring this binder to future GGTOA meetings for those of you who want to look through it to see what else is going on this Summer.

JUNE 4TH, GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION MEETING: The meeting will be held at the Museum of Transport on Thursday, June 4th, at 7:00 PM. We will be discussing our trip to the GTOAA International Meet, upcoming events and other items. The museum is at 3015 Barrett Station Rd., West of I-270 between Big Bend Blvd. and Dougherty Ferry Rd. All members are encouraged to attend and bring their cars to show before the meeting.

JUNE 5TH - 7TH, NOSTALGIA DRAG RACE & ROD RUN SERIES: Mid America Raceways, all 1969 and earlier cars are eligible, for more information call (314)673-2434

JUNE 7TH, HCCM SWAP ARAMA: 14th annual, Riverport (Earth City Expressway at I-270), for information call 838-9119 or 227-7046.

JUNE 13TH, MOORE PONTIAC CAR DISPLAY: This is the second of three displays we will be having at our sponsor's dealership this year. All Pontiacs are welcome. GGTOA members are encouraged to support our sponsor by attending with or without your car.

JUNE 13TH, CHUCK-A-BURGER CRUISE: 1972 & older show quality cars welcome, Jules Blattner, for more information call (314)428-5009 or (314)427-9524.

JUNE 14TH, FIRST ANNUAL MIDWEST GM JAMBOREE CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET: Maryland Heights, Mo., Riverport Executive Center. Classes for all General Motors vehicles up to & including 1977. 55 classes, entry fee \$10, 10X20 swap space \$10, Gateway City Late Great Chevy Club, for more information contact Ken (314)928-0751

JUNE 19TH - 21ST, STREET MACHINE NATIONALS: DuQuoin, Illinois State Fair Grounds, participant tickets are \$45 in advance or \$60 on the day of the show. This covers all three days for two people. Call (317)236-6522 to charge tickets or write Special Events, 804 N. Delaware, Indianapolis, IN 46204. GGTOA chairman is Brad Piper.

JUNE 28TH - JULY 2ND, GTOAA INTERNATIONAL MEET: Sunday - Thursday, Marriott Lincolnshire Resort, 40 miles Northwest of Chicago, IL. We will be discussing plans for the trip to the meet at the June 4th meeting. Brad Piper will be organizing a group to leave on Sunday morning, contact him if you are interested.

JULY 25TH, CHUCK-A-BURGER CRUISE: 1972 & older show quality cars welcome, the band will be G.T.O.!, for more information call (314)428-5009 or (314)427-9524.

JULY 31ST - AUGUST 2ND, NOSTALGIA DRAG RACE & ROD RUN SERIES: Mid America Raceway, 1965 and earlier cars are eligible, for information call (314)673-2434

UPCOMING EVENTS (CONTINUED)

AUGUST 9TH, KUSTOM KRUISERS CAR SHOW: Mt. Vernon City Park, Mt. Vernon, Illinois, we will attend as a club if there is enough interest, GGTOA chairman is Brad Piper (618)398-4855. Call him if you are interested in going.

AUGUST 22ND, INDY GTO ASSOCIATION'S A DAY AT THE TRACK: All GTO show at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. For more information call (317)299-6493. We will be attending as a club again this year, more information is elsewhere in this newsletter. GGTOA chairman is Brad Piper (618)398-4855.

SEPTEMBER 5TH - 7TH, POCI SHOW-ME REGIONALS: This event is being put on by the Arch Chapter of the POCI and will be held Labor Day weekend at the Holiday Inn at I-70 and Lindbergh. You must be a POCI member to show your car for trophies or display only. GGTOA chairman is Dan Shabel (314)225-1100.

SEPTEMBER 12TH, MOORE PONTIAC CAR DISPLAY: This is the third of three displays we will be having at our sponsor's dealership this year. All Pontiacs (in any condition) are welcome. GGTOA members are encouraged to support our sponsor by attending with or without your car.

SEPTEMBER 12TH, FOX FESTIVAL CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET: Fox High School, Arnold, Missouri, rain date September 13th, showtime 7 AM-4 PM, entry fee \$7, swap meet \$15, Show Me Antique Car Club & Vintage Chevy Club, for more information call Ray (314)843-2182.

SEPTEMBER 12TH, CHUCK-A-BURGER CRUISE: All show quality cars welcome, The Joint Jumpers, for more information call (314)428-5009 or (314)427-9524.

SEPTEMBER 19TH, BOONE TRAIL CORVETTE CLUB'S OLDIES PARTY: O'Fallon Civic Center. GGTOA chairman is Darrell Carnal (314)928-8030.

SEPTEMBER 20TH, GGTOA PICNIC: Maryland Heights Park, GGTOA co-chairmen are Tony Bezzole (314)878-6892 and Paul Middendorf (618)539-5954.

SEPTEMBER 26TH - 27TH, GM NATIONALS: Gateway International Raceway. GGTOA chairman is Dave Weeks (314)772-6326.

OCTOBER 3RD, CHUCK-A-BURGER CRUISE: 1972 & older show quality cars welcome, King of Hearts, for more information call (314)428-5009 or (314)427-9524.

OCTOBER ??, ANNUAL FALL COLOR/WINE RUN: A date has not been set yet. If you have any suggestions for this event contact Darrell Carnal (314)928-8030.

DECEMBER ??, GGTOA CHRISTMAS PARTY: GGTOA co-chairmen are Vic & Joyce Nettle (314)892-3639.

GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION ADS

CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE:

1968 GTO, fully restored, all original, automatic, His & Hers, green exterior, black interior, Bill Craft (314)639-1488 (May)

1969 Grand Prix, 428 - 4 bolt XF 370 hp, TH400, 3.23 posi, lots of options, some rust, 176K miles, runs fair, looks fair, good title \$800, John Johnson (314)581-8013 (July)

1939 Chevy Coupe, steel body, good title, Greg Pugh (314)352-8754 (May)

1972 455 HO #7F6 NOS heads and nice intake/crossover \$1,500 for all or trade for RA4/Judge/SD 455 items; SASE to exchange lists; John Johnson, 620 North Jefferson St., Mexico, MO 65265 (May)

1967 GTO LH talllight, 1968 WH 3.55 single track rear end \$225 obo, 1968 GTO black buckets \$100, 1972 complete disc brake set up, 1970 GTO nose & grills (slightly bent) \$150 obo, 1967 4 speed floor pan and trunk pan (cut out yourself) \$25 each, 1967 Sprint WH 3.55 single track rear end \$50, Tim Moll (314)547-1951 (May)

1965 & 1968 GTO 4-speed chassis's with 10 bolt posis; 1965 & 68 floor boards with 4-speed humps & clutch peddles; 1965 body parts & interior pieces; 1964-69 GTO & LeMans hoods & deck lids; 1964-70 shifters & consoles; 1965 GTO blue bucket seats & back seat; 1968 black back seat, interior parts, dash & headliner; 1968-69 Endura bumpers; Endura bumpers resurfaced; Chris Houska (314)677-4606 or (314)296-7203 (May)

Pair of 096 heads \$200; two pairs of #16 heads \$150; Edelbrock Torker & Performer manifolds; 1964-66 Tripowers; two 389 Armasteel cranks; 400 block (never been bored) \$75; 1966 Hurst shifter; 1967 GTO fenders with inners, headlight buckets & T3 headlights; 1966-67 4 speed frame reinforcement brackets; four complete 1969-70 power window assemblies with motors; 389 & 400 valve covers, fresh chrome, show quality; 1969 Judge 4 speed parts car, call for details; Mike Kirk (618)346-8424 (May)

OHC6 4 barrel motor parts: intake/exhaust manifold \$150, complete 10.5 compression ratio head \$150, bare block \$75, air cleaner assembly \$75, bell housing and flywheel for manual trans \$100, Leo Ortiguero (816)531-2860, Kansas City, MO (July)

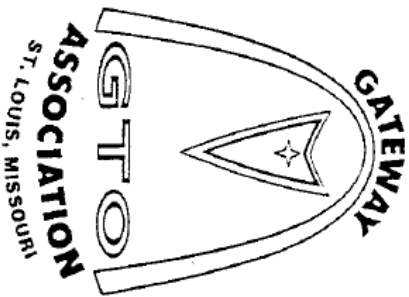
CARS AND PARTS WANTED:

Q-Jet 7029273, no restamps; also want The Judge 45 RPM record and color wall poster; John Johnson, 620 North Jefferson St., Mexico, MO 65265 (May)

1966 GTO white bucket seats, have black set to trade, Tim Moll (314)547-1951 (May)

1966 GTO Red bucket seat back or whole seat, Will Bowers (618)288-1187 (July)

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