

The Hood Scoop

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THE HOOD SCOOP is published as an informative news bulletin to keep our members up to date on past, present and future events.

GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION MEETINGS are held monthly. Dates, times and locations are listed in the **UPCOMING EVENTS** section of the newsletter.

GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION PHOTO ALBUM: If you have photos of past events or if you take pictures of future events that you think would be good for the photo album, please put your name, the date and description of event on back and send to the Photo Album Editor Joyce Nettle.

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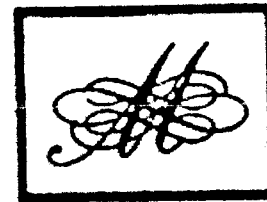
Gateway GTO Club Information:

The Gateway GTO Association was initially formed in the summer of 1984, by a group of seven. They all had a common interest in the Original Muscle Car, the Pontiac GTO. As a form of communications we publish a monthly newsletter called "The Hood Scoop". The purpose of this newsletter is to keep our members informed of all upcoming activities as well as providing interesting event coverage.

The club meets every first Thursday of the month at Barry's Sub Shop on Dorsett Road in Maryland Heights Mo. at 7 PM.

Membership dues are \$18.00 per year, all renewals required to be paid by December 31. You are allowed to have one associate member.

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Meeting Minutes

March 4, 1999

The meeting opened at 7:05. New/Old members Bob & Donna Williams were in attendance. Welcome back!

The GTOAA send Chris a letter to let him know they only recognize 4 officers per club, President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They are going to require the officers to fully pay for their membership and then they will reimburse them for their ½. Chris mentioned a few upcoming events, one was March 19 the Swap Meet at Beltz or what used to be Beltz, May 15&16 is the Wisconsin Dells Car Show call 1-800-223-3557 ext. 150, and July 23-25 is the GTO Classic Weekend car show and cruise on Woodward Blvd. in Detroit Mi.

We received our first newsletter from the Louisville GTO Club. It has a good article about distributors. We may print it in a later issue.

Marty took to the floor and talked about getting people to cruise to Jefferson City for the Clunker Rally. He also went over some of the items, which is included on his page enclosed in this newsletter.

Tony Bezzole mentioned that he does alot of business with Feld Chevrolet and salesman, Don Trunko has offered to donate \$100.00 to the club for anyone that buys a vehicle from him.

The 50/50 was \$19.00 and was finally won by myself.

The meeting adjourned just before they could throw us out (8:00pm)

See you at next months meeting,

Don

Events

From the Club Events Officer, Marty Howard

- 1) APR 4/SUN - EASTER SHOW - MEET @ 9:30 A.M.
- 2) APR 17/SAT - FIERO CAR SHOW @ MUSEUM OF TRANSPORTATION -
SPONSOR = GATEWAY FIERO CAR CLUB - PONTIAC/GTO DISPLAY -
BANQUET \$10
** FIERO CLUB NEEDS TO KNOW IF WE WANT TO ATTEND. PLEASE LET MARTY
** KNOW BY MARCH 19
- 3) APR 21/WED - AWARENESS CRUISE TO JEFFERSON CITY -
SPONSOR = AMERICAN ROADHOUSE CAR CLUB
- 4) APR 24/SAT - CAR CRUISE @ RURAL ROUTE RESTAURANT, ST. CHARLES -
SPONSOR = AMERICAN ROADHOUSE CAR CLUB
- 5) MAY 2/SUN - POKER RUN - SPONSOR = ARCH CHAPTER/POCI
- 6) MAY 23/SUN - WARRENTON OUTLET MALL CAR SHOW -
SPONSOR = AMERICAN ROADHOUSE CAR CLUB - GTO CLASS INCLUDED
- 7) SEP 19/SUN - GOLDEN TRIANGLE AUTO CLUB - NOAH'S ARK MOTOR INN -
I-70 AND 5TH ST., ST. CHARLES
- 8) JUN 6/SUN - CRUISE TO BENNETT'S - SPONSOR = ARCH CHAPTER/POCI

PERFORMANCE

The Hummbler

1970 GTO

Since 1964 the GTO had lead the pack. When 1970 rolled around the direction of the pack was unclear, PMD knew this, with a steady 10% decrease in sales between 1968 and 1969, pontiac management could see the trend-pontiac was in trouble. For whatever consololation it might be, the total industry sales were off also, but Pontiac was off double the national average. The GTO still enjoyed a lead over Buick GS and Olds 442 but even that wasn't anything to shout about. Total sales for 1970 GTO was 40,149 units. The 1970 GTO was out sold by every previous GTO except the very first year-1964. The GTO as well as the other Muscle cars were experiencing 3 major foes. the Insurance industry, uncle sam, an in the case of the GTO, Pontiac and top GM management themselves. They classed GTO's or any mucle car as a class 1, which ment a 50-100% rate increase on a 1970 or newer mucle car. The director of the national highway safety bureau was quoted saying " The way the auto industry's pushing mucle cars borders on criminal irresponsibility." Top GM management wasn't offering any encorage- ment either. Both the GM pres. and the chairman of the board stated there had been to much emphasis...

placed on the youthmarket and were very critical of what they de- scribed as "Hip" ads which used such terms as "Ponties" instead of horsepower and "Cubes instead of cubic inches. The overall Pontiac reputation was cleary dependent on the welfare of the GTO. It had be- come thier status symbol, and over- all none of the 1970 pontiacs were very well recieved . Add to this another price increace (about \$120) and sales tumbled. Even with all the problems the GTO faced there was some new features that were worth noting. The body had been restyled the GTO got a new endura bumper, the radio antenna was now in the winsheld, The Judge package was continued and would be avabile in several wild colors, the ram air III and ram air IV was carried over from 1969, a new engine was offered the 455 which brought the engine/transmission combinations to eleven.Very late in the year an engine option was offered through your Pontiac dealers parts department, it was, as we all know the ram air V package. One other option that alway's will stand out for 1970 was the vacuum operated exhaust. Overall the 1970 GTO was restyled into what some think was one of the best looking GTO to

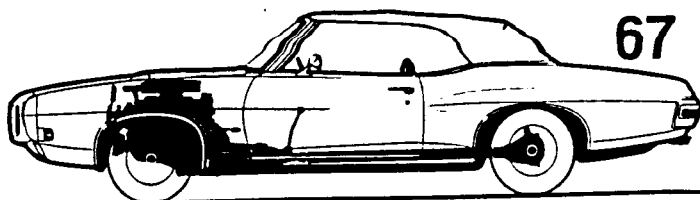
what's new pussy cat?

Performance Year's enterprises will produce a 1/18th scale 1969 Judge to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the GTOAA as well as the 30th anniversary of the Judge. Only 2500 units to be produced. call 507-437-3663

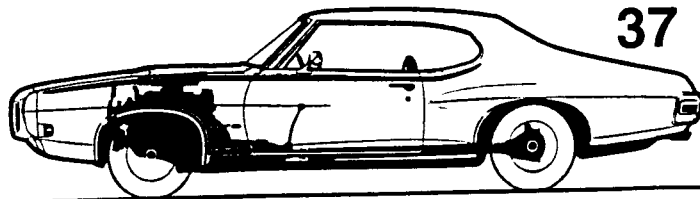
date. Several other first for 1970 were the formula steering wheel, the rear sway bar, side impact door beams and the return of the exposed headlights. The Judge option had new strips and a new wing on the deck lid, which did not offer much in the way of performance, but did turn heads on the blvd. For 1970 all the name plates were dropped from the car and replaced with decals, with the exception of the grill. With this, along with the styling changes the GTO had a new and distinctive look, a mature sense. The GTO was still a very impressive car, and it did make driving fun.

In 1969 with the departure of the two key men associated with the GTO, John DeLorean, and Jim Wangers, there was little hope the GTO would be able to survive in the new decade. Both of these men were crucial to the GTO. It's not possible to overemphasize how important they were to the development and the success of the GTO. A person only has to look at the sales figure to see this.

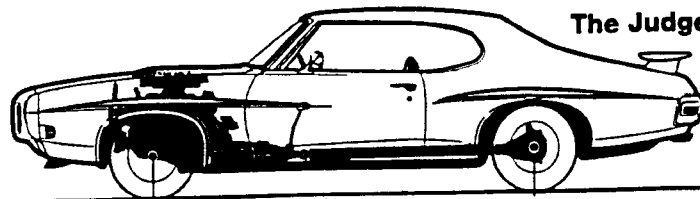
There are many things that I like about the 1970 GTO, as well as the other year's and I hope to bring you a few points that we can share about these car's that we all love with a passion, till next time, enjoy your pure Pontiac. Steve Hedrick....



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The Judge

PRODUCTION TOTALS

By Body Style:

Style [Style No.]	Series/Style Number	Production
2-Door Convertible [67]	4267	3,783
2-Door Hardtop Coupe [37]	4237	36,366
TOTAL		40,149

By Engine:	Cubic Inches	Carburetor	Hp
Standard [Std.]	400	1x4 barrel [bbl]	350 30,555
Optional [Opt.]	400	1x4 bbl Ram Air [R.A.]	366 4,644
Opt. [L67]	400	1x4 bbl Ram Air IV [R.A. IV]	370 804
Opt. [L75]	455	1x4 bbl	360 4,146

By Transmission:	67	37	67 w/ WT1*	37 w/ WT1	TOTAL
Man. Trans. [M.T.]	887	9,348	—	—	10,235
M.T. w/R.A.	174	3,054	(2,380)	—	3,228
M.T. w/R.A.IV	24	627	(325)	—	651
M.T. w/L75	158	1,761	—	—	1,919
Auto. Trans. [A.T.]	2,172	18,148	—	—	20,320
A.T. w/R.A.	114	1,302	(1,003)	—	1,416
A.T. w/R.A.IV	13	140	(72)	—	153
A.T. w/L75	241	1,986	(3)	(14)	2,227
TOTAL	3,783	36,366	(162)	(3,635)	40,149

* "The Judge" option. Figures in parenthesis are included in appropriate totals.

By Power Team:

Std. 4bbl, M40	20,320
Std. 4bbl, M13, M20, M21	10,235
L75, M40, w/o WT1	2,210
4bbl R.A., M20, w/WT1	1,831
L75, M21, w/o WT1	1,802
4bbl R.A., M40, w/WT1	1,003
4bbl R.A., M20, w/o WT1	601
4bbl R.A., M21, w/WT1	425
4bbl R.A., M40, w/o WT1	413
4bbl R.A.IV, M21, w/o WT1	326
4bbl R.A.IV, M21, w/WT1	325
4bbl R.A., M21, w/o WT1	226
4bbl R.A., M13, w/WT1	124
L75, M13, w/o WT1	117
4bbl R.A.IV, M40, w/o WT1	81
4bbl R.A.IV, M40, w/WT1	72
4bbl, R.A., M13, w/o WT1	21
L75, M40, w/WT1	17

By Lower Body Color:

Atoll Blue	4,980	Palladium Silver	2,394
Granada Gold	4,664	Baja Gold	2,067
Cardinal Red	3,777	Bermuda Blue	1,861
Pepper Green	3,661	Starlight Black	1,515
Verdoro Green	3,299	Palomino Copper	1,457
Sierra Yellow	2,889	Burgundy	1,246
Palisade Green	2,487	Mint Turquoise	774
Polar White	2,460	Orbit Orange*	618

* 211 units were produced with the WT1/UB5 option combination.

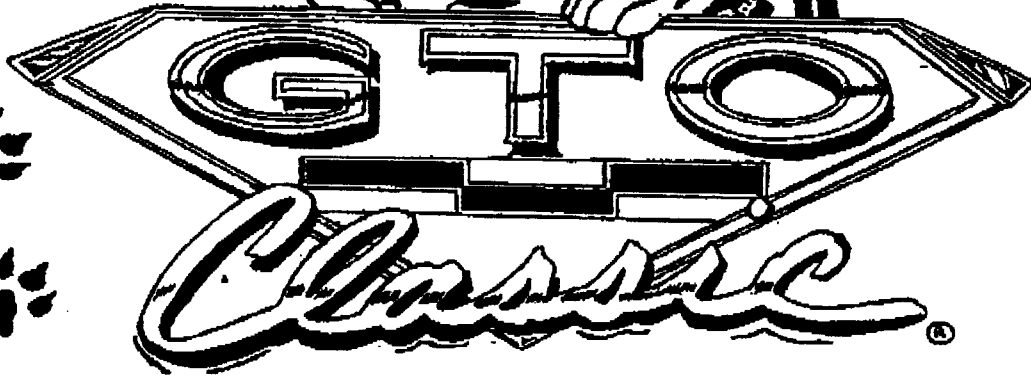
Miscellaneous:

- No convertibles were produced in the Arlington, TX or Oshawa, Canada assembly plants.
- No L67 engines were installed in the Oshawa assembly plant.

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Annual

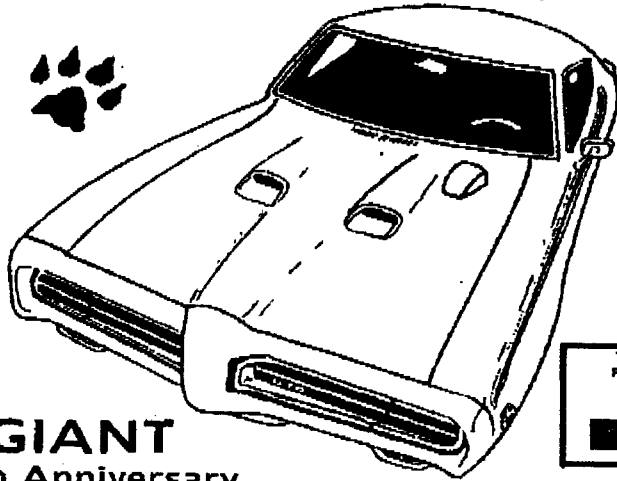


W E E K E N D

Official G.T.O.A. Great Lakes Regional Meet

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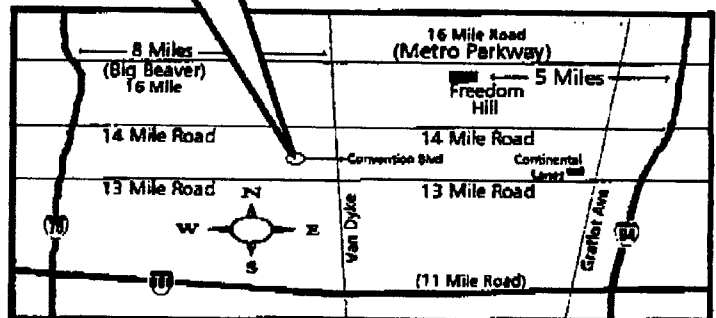
TEEN
ANGELS

Plus

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- GIANT Pontiac Swapmeet
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- Used GTO car corral
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Club Affiliation _____
Home Phone _____
GTO Year _____ Type _____ Stock/Mod _____
Cost per car is \$10.00 Pre-registered (Send a separate form for each car)

SWAP

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
9' X 18' SPACE IS \$10 EACH - Number of Spaces _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED

GTO Classic Weekend Activities

Friday Night Cruise	Leave Hotel	at	5:00 PM
Saturday SUPERCruise	Leave Hotel	at	1:00 PM
Saturday Hotel Party	Start	at	6:00 PM
Saturday Valve Cover Race	Hotel	at	8:00 PM
Sunday Vendor Entry	Open	at	7:00 AM
Sunday Show Registration	Open	at	8:30 AM
Sunday Spectators	Open	at	9:00 AM
Sunday Participant Voting	11:00 AM	to	1:00 PM
Sunday TEEN ANGELS Show	Start	at	1:30 PM
Sunday Awards Presentation	Approximately		3:30 PM

Show and Swap Admission Prices

Entrants & Spectators	Pre-Registered	At the Gate
Car Cruises	FREE	--
Valve Cover Races	FREE	--
Show Cars	\$10.00	\$15.00
For Sale Cars	\$10.00	\$10.00
Swap Space: (9' x 18' approx)	\$10.00	\$15.00
Spectators (under 12 Free!)	--	\$7.00 per car load

Friday 23rd - There will be a small GTO cruise leaving the host hotel Fairfield Inn at 5:00 PM. We will proceed to Continental Lanes at 13 Mile Road & Gratiot for the weekly Cruise Night.

Saturday 24th - Saturday we will be having a huge Road Rally and Woodward Avenue SUPERCruise which will leave the Fairfield Inn at 1:00 PM. After the cruise, we will be having a hotel party at the Fairfield Inn starting at 6:00 PM. We will have music, free ice cream, and our first ever "Custom Valve Cover Drag Races". Call club "info packet" number below for details, maps, and Valve Cover Racer specs.

Sunday 25th - Sunday is the actual GTO car show, and all Pontiac Swapmeet located at Freedom Hill Metropark in Sterling Heights Michigan. There is no admittance to the park prior to Sunday. Refer to info boxes for costs, times, and info, or call the info number to request an info packet.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Our host hotel is the Fairfield Inn, with the Hampton handling overflow. These are smaller hotels, so please note that there will be a remote site across from the hotel for TRAILER PARKING. For Saturday's event, no trailers are allowed in Fairfield, security on duty Saturday thru Sunday morning.

Fairfield Inn (host hotel) 810-939-1700
Hampton Inn 810-977-7270
Candlewood Inn 810-978-1261

MENTION "GTO SHOW"

NOTE: Map & info sent when you Pre-Register, or call (810) 949-3516

INFORMATION

Car Cruises	Kirk Barrick	248-391-1031
Swap Meet	Mike Bolotta	248-650-4359
Car Show	Rick Beecherl	810-777-1583
Membership	Betty Shimko	810-781-3130
Info Packets	Ken Stahovec	810-949-3516
Event Coordinator	Bill Schultz	810-783-5767



WEEKEND

4677 Lockwood Dr.
Washington, MI 48094

Late Breaking News From Marty

As you all know, Marty is also a member of the American Roadhouse Car Club. John Eskew from the American Roadhouse Club has been invited to our April meeting to give a talk on all the Emissions laws and changes. Lets all try to show up for this very interesting subject.

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Block:

1970 GTO YS400 F120

Heads:

#670, #061, #46, #6H

70 GTO rt. Fender, 70 LeMans valance, 67 GTO
passenger door & trunk lid, 66-67 dash pads
(needs repair or recovering), 64 bellhousings,
Sell or trade for 12 bolt Posi, high performance,
or 1964 parts

Contact Chris Simmons at 314-397-8710

1965 GTO- 2 spinner wire wheel hub caps
\$150.00

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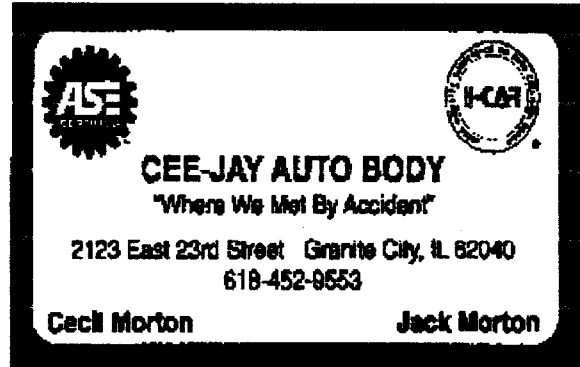
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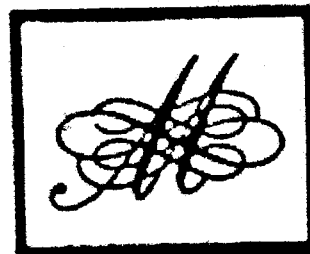
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