



The Birds Nest

Dedicated to Thunderbird Enthusiasts — — Newsletter of the Buffalo Thunderbird Club

November 2017

Upcoming Events

Tuesday Nov 28 6:30PM
2018 Convention Planning Meeting
Todd's Place
[115 Lennox Ave Amherst NY](http://115LennoxAveAmherstNY)

Saturday Jan 6
Business Meeting

Watch For Details in our December Newsletter!

Sunday Jan 14 Noon
Clutch Artists Calendar Meeting

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Annual Holiday PARTY !

Don Vincent — Newsletter Editor

Our annual club holiday party was great fun on Saturday November 4, and the folks at Magruders get a big THANK YOU from all of us for their hospitality once again! The weather was cooperative so Tom and Gail Hueston were able to take their '02 Retro-bird on its maiden voyage following recent repair work. Thankfully, a new battery and headlight switch fixed the phantom electrical issues without needing a dash control module transplant! Attending the festivities were Nancy & Bill Crane, Rich DeMarco and Debbie Birchenough, Al Forster, Tony Frandina, Maria & Patrick Golder, Gail & Tom



Santa Claus presenting club president Todd Ruth with a special gift, as Marcia Nagel, Rocky Nagel and Wendee Lorbeer look on.



Hueston, Wendee & Art Lorbeer, Marcia & Rocky Nagel, Todd Ruth, Jim Trautman, Gregg Zimmerman and yours truly.

Ole St Nick paid us a surprise visit and he had a special gift in his sack for club president Todd Ruth — a one-of-a-kind Thunderbird House commemorating the 50th anniversary of the model line in 2005. This gift was generously passed forward by former club president Rich DeMarco.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the Buffalo Thunderbird Club!



(L-R) Nancy Crane, Bill Crane, Tony Frandina, Don Vincent, Todd Ruth, Rich DeMarco, Debbie Birchenough, Al Forster, Patrick Golder, Maria Golder, Art Lorbeer, Wendee Lorbeer, Gail Hueston, Marcia Nagel, Tom Hueston, Rocky Nagel, Jim Trautman and Gregg Zimmerman.

For Sale

1964 Thunderbird (pictured, right) this 64 has some 65 appointments and includes a rare continental kit. Has had extensive restoration, fresh paint, runs well. 390 Auto/AC/PS/PB. Needs some electrical work. \$6,200 Martin 716-578-0781 (11/17)



1957 Thunderbird white, has a black and white interior, manual transmission, and a black soft top only. California car in good condition with an older restoration and has Kelsey Hayes wire wheels. Asking \$33,000. Kurt Edwards (716) 625-9309 (10/17)

1962 Thunderbird Sports Roadster Restoration has been started but needs to be completed. Body/ chassis has been rotisserie sand blasted and epoxy primed. All sheet metal is absolutely like brand new. Doors, Hood, Trunk & deck lid have been painted black with clear coat. Chassis needs to be painted black. 390 Engine has been completely rebuilt & balanced. 3-speed automatic transmission has been completely rebuilt. Four Brand new Kelsey Hayes wire wheel (still in boxes). Most of the re-chroming has been completed. Currently has blue interior, power windows and A/C. Original fiberglass tonneau cover (not after market). All hydraulics work O.K. Only 1,462 Sports Roadsters made in 1962. Asking \$10,000. Call Bob @ (585) 729-7180 robertmech123@gmail.com (11/17)

1963 Thunderbird (pictured below left) Original #2 maroon HT 48,417Miles, 390 cu in, C6 trans \$28,500 OBO Anna Scarafia 716-863-5725 (11/17)

1964 Thunderbird (pictured below right) #2 light blue metallic repaint, 89K miles, 390 cu in, C6 trans \$24,000 OBO Anna Scarafia 716-863-5725 (11/17)



For Sale

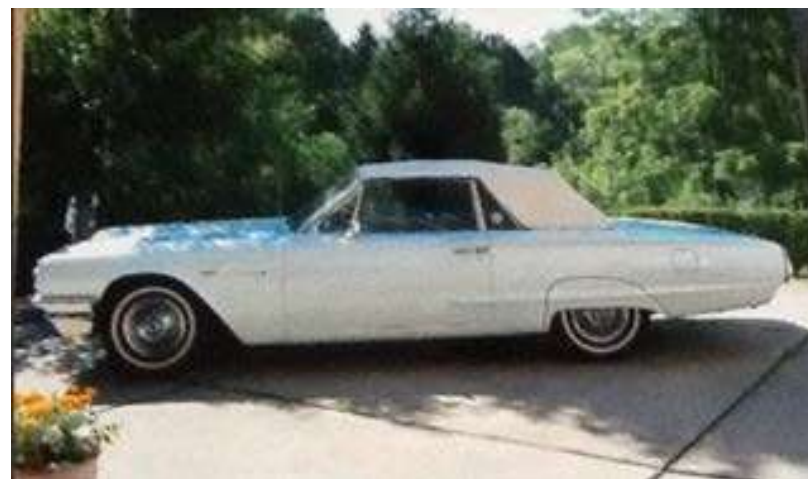


1987 Ford Thunderbird white, 4 cyl 2.3L turbo, 5 speed. New gas tank, fuel pump, fuel filter 8/6/2014, power steering rack and hoses 9/3/2014, heater core 9/9/14, ABS Master cylinder unit, alternator 2/19/2015. Restorable project car or parts. \$300 OBO Kathy (716) 649-4395 kathy8653@aol.com Vehicle is located at John's Auto Service - 2230 Abbott Road Lackawanna, NY 14218 (10/17)

1964 Ford Thunderbird Convertible

Completely restored, show ready.V8-390,PS,PB,AC. Am/Fm. Less than 100 miles on

new transmission, seatbelts installed in back seat New disc brakes all around. New convertible top. Excellent condition. Monica Horner 412-400-3100 babcia22@Verizon.net \$22,000 OBO (11/17)



1966 Ford Thunderbird Convertible

Selling due to ill health. The car is in pristine condition and is a Senior car in ITC. It features a rare Tonneau cover. At shows it normally takes first place. Everything is working with the exception of the Cruise Control. It has new tires, brakes, paint, shocks, front end components, springs, complete engine rebuild, complete transmission rebuild, etc, and is extremely reliable. Last year for the convertible T-Bird! Asking \$32,750 for the car or best reasonable offer. I would love the car to go to a good home. Currently it has 55,000 original miles on it. John Rowe 845-889-4054. (7/17)

1966 Ford Thunderbird

Black with red interior, 390 Cu in, auto, 77K miles, new seat covers, A/C needs repair \$5,900 or BO Art Baj 716-675-4727 (11/17)



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Make your \$25 check payable to the Buffalo Thunderbird Club
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Happy Thanksgiving!



Before

After

25,000 B.C. Roadster. Recently restored and expanded to seat 4. Rust free, air blows cold, foot brakes, new Zebra skin upholstery, well under ten million miles, wood body panels, new seats. This car is built solid. See before and after photos.

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Mark your calendar for these 2018 Winter Events

JAN 14 - JANUARY 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS PLANNING MEETING –
www.clutchartists.com

***CORRECTED DATE - FEB 4 - 16th ANNUAL SNOW BUSTER AUTOMOTIVE SWAP MEET -**
Events Center at The Fairgrounds at Hamburg, NY, 5820 South Park Ave., Hamburg, NY-. 9am-3pm. Sponsored by Model "A" Restorer's Club Niagara Frontier Region. INFO: Jim 716-337-0646, email: jrummer48@yahoo.com

MAR 2-4 - 25th ANNUAL Advance Auto Parts, Tread City Tire "CAVALCADE OF CARS" -
Event Center, The Fairgrounds, 5820 South Park Ave., Hamburg, NY. Check out www.cavalcadeofcars.com for information.

Tom Hueston and Todd Ruth are co-chairs for the 2018 International Thunderbird Club Silver Anniversary Convention to be held here in the Buffalo / Niagara region on August 7-12, 2018. So in place of our usual club-sponsored All Thunderbird **Show next year, we'll be hosting the convention Concours** show as well as all the other convention activities and events. The convention hotel is the brand new Hyatt Place 5020 Main St Amherst NY, conveniently located at the I-90 / I-290 interchange.

One important change for 2018 is that the convention Concours show will be held on **SATURDAY August 11** instead of on the traditional Sunday for Buffalo Thunderbird Club shows. **We'll revert to our usual Sunday format in 2019.**

Watch this space for all the latest 2018 ITC Convention News!

If you are interested in volunteering to help organize and plan the 2018 ITC Convention, we need you! Contact any of the officers listed on page 1 of this newsletter for more information.

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