

**JUNE
2020**

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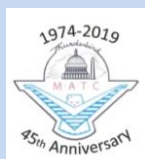
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Newsletter photos, articles,
etc., is the 20th of each
month.**

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**MATC THUNDERBIRD
NEWSLETTER
46TH ANNIVERSARY**

<http://www.midatlantictbirdclub.org/>
<http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/>



Thunderbird Breakfast in Bel Air,
Temporarily Canceled because of Corona Virus Issues
REPLACED BY

Third Thursday Breakfast @ The Denham's

June 18, 10am. Bring your own finger food (donuts, pastries, etc). Zoeanne will make coffee and have juice. \$1 donation for drinks. Bring your own lawn chair like we did for the picnic and we will stay 'socially distanced'.

July 5, Sunday, 1:00 PM

\$1 a Plate POTLUCK SOCIAL Hosted by Zoeanne and Dan Denham,
5626 Williams Rd, Hydes MD, 21082

Please RSVP if you will be attending at least 5 days in advance,
Home Telephone: 410-592-2030, email: garagex4@yahoo.com
Please bring a dish in the food category listed by the first letter of your last name, The \$1 goes to the host to offset costs. Zoeanne and Dan will be providing venue, paper goods, utensils, beverages, condiments, etc.

"M to S" Salad "A to L" Main Dish "T to Z" Dessert

If bringing a salad or main dish, please provide enough to serve at least 8 people. If bringing a dessert, please provide enough to serve at least 10 people.

**All Ford Nationals
July 31 – Aug 2, Carlisle, PA.**

<http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/carlisle-ford-nationals/default.aspx>

Orphan Car Tour has been canceled

"Feel The Thunder" web url:

https://performance.ford.com/enthusiasts/newsroom/2020/05/thunderbird-exhibit.html?cks=30901205410&emailid=FP_FASTNEWS

"Cars and Coffee" web url:

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/autos/enthusiasts/cars-and-coffee-is-the-best-no-competition-no-trophies-just-community/ar-BB13UDBM?ocid=spartandhp>

Due to the Corona Virus, the events listed below may be canceled. Look for Schedule updates

2020 TENTATIVE EVENTS CALENDAR

*Official MATC/ITC activities are marked with *** and printed in bold. Our Thunderbird Club events are open to all years of Thunderbirds. Other events such as "AACA" events adhere to the 25 year rule or other designation. Applicable restrictions will be noted with each event.*

Date	Event	Sponsor	Location	Details
June	CANCELED Orpan Car Tour			http://orphancartour.org/Tour_Information.html
Sat June 13 9 AM – 2:30 PM	CANCELED Bel Air United Methodist Car Show		21 Linwood Avenue Bel Air, MD 21014	www.belairumc.org
July 5 Sun	Potluck Social hosted by Dan & Zoeanne Denham	MATC	Hydes, MD	garagex4@yahoo.com
Jul 31 - Aug 2 Fri to Sun	NEW DATE All Ford Nationals With 65th Thunderbird Celebration	Carlisle	Carlisle Fairgrounds Carlisle, PA	http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/carlisle-ford-nationals/default.aspx
Sunday Sept	Potluck Social hosted by John and Phyllis Cherry	MATC	Cascade, MD (near Thurmont)	
Sep 17 – 20	International Thunderbird Convention	ITC	Double Tree Hotel Detroit, Michigan	Sponsor: Water Wonderland TBird Club http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/
Oct 7 - 11	CANCELED AACA Eastern Fall Hershey	AACA	Hershey, PA	http://hersheyaaca.org/fallmeet.html
Oct 8 – 11 Thu to Sun	Endless Summer Cruisin		Ocean City MD	https://ococean.com/events/endless-summer-cruisin2020
Oct 17 Sat	Rockville Antique and Classic Auto Show 8:30a – 3:30p	MATC	Rockville Civic Center Pk 603 Edmonston Drive Rockville MD 20851	https://10times.com/rockville-antique-and-classic-car-show
Oct 23 - 25	Ocean Grove New Jersey Weekend w/ NJTA and LVTC	NJTA	Ocean Grove, NJ Contac Kathy Kelly for more info	Watch for Emails
Nov – Jan 1st Fri, Sat, Sun	Koziars Christmas Village	MATC	782 Christmas Village Rd. Bernville, PA 19506	https://www.koziarschristmasvillage.com/home/
Dec 5	Weekend in Gettysburg	MATC		Steve is checking motels and activities in Gettysburg
Sunday December 6 1:00 pm	Annual Christmas Party	MATC	Dobbin House 89 Steinwahr Avenue Gettysburg, PA	See Menu, registration and directions enclosed in November Newsletter
Third Thursday, Every Month 9:30 AM	Monthly Breakfast Gathering Breakfast will resume after Corana Virus hazards end.	MATC	Greek Village Diner 129 Baltimore Pike Bel Air, MD 21014	https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071

Cars & Coffee: Back on Sunday mornings, will resumed effective May 31,

7:00 – 9:00 AM, Bel Air Plaza Shopping Center, Bel Air, MD 21214

The shopping center is located at the intersection of Route 24 and Route 1.

McDonald's, StarBucks and IHOP are located there. The gathering will be on the lot behind Starbucks.

Other Events: Car Cruise and Show Guide: <http://carmacruise.com/>

Thunderbird Appreciation Day at Deer Creek Picnic Area, Susquehanna State Park, MD
Sunday, May 17, 11:00 AM



Ladies segregatedFrom the Men



FOR SALE:

1964 Thunderbird: Older restoration and still shows and runs well. Wimbledon White with a black landau roof and black interior. Has power windows and power driver seat. Recliner passenger seat with head rest. Owned by same family since 1965. Have documented history from restoration in 1998 to present. Call Earl or Judy Dickinson @ 717 767 2973. (9/19)



2003 Thunderbird: Red Hardtop, Steve Kelley 443-371-3030, skelley@gottogotravel.net (1/18) **See attached flyer.**

1966 Thunderbird Convertible: Red with Red Interior and White Top. 390 CID Engine, Power Steering, Power Brakes, Electric Windows. Lots of New Parts. 80,000 Miles, \$28,000. Richard Trimble, Hampstead, Telephone: 410 – 374 – 6037



Full set of Allegheny Ludlum stainless steel-bodied Fords put up for sale by the company that built them

By [Daniel Strohl](#) on May 21st, 2020 at 9:00 am



Postcard photo of three of the Allegheny Ludlum stainless-bodied Fords. Hemmings archive image.

For decades, Allegheny Ludlum and its successor company have held on to the bulk of the 11 stainless-bodied Ford products that resulted from three different collaborations between the two companies. A source of pride for the company and for the Pittsburgh region in general, it seemed that the cars would forever remain in possession of the specialty metals company. However, in the face of a tough economic climate, Allegheny has decided to sell three of the cars, apparently the first time a complete set of the stainless Fords has ever hit the market.

While it didn't seem like the five stainless Fords that Allegheny had held onto until just recently cost much to keep around - they'd been relegated in recent years from regular parade duty to the occasional car show and recruiting fair - the cars also weren't doing much for the company's bottom line. After all, most of its business these days comes from the aerospace, defense, and energy sectors with automotive sales accounting for just 7 percent of its business.

In the Thirties, however, Allegheny envisioned entire cars built from its stainless steel. The company was already supplying Ford with stainless for trim and radiator shells so, as Walt Gosden [wrote in *Special Interest Autos* #60, December 1980](#), Allegheny took the next logical step of stamping entire bodies out of stainless. Six 1936 Ford Tudor Touring Sedans - which used standard Ford chassis and running gear - resulted, and by the end of the run [the tougher stainless had reportedly ruined Ford's dies](#). Each of the six went to Allegheny district offices around the country and remained on the road as demonstrator vehicles well into the 1940s, by which time the bodies remained intact and in good shape but the chassis had racked up hundreds of thousands of miles and had worn out like any other 1936 Ford with that many miles would.

The two companies didn't collaborate again until 1960 when Allegheny stamped body panels, bumpers, grilles, and exhaust systems for two Thunderbird coupes out of T302 stainless and then sent those to Budd for assembly. Then again, six years later, Allegheny and Ford collaborated to build three Lincoln Continental convertibles, two of which went on to receive updates to 1967 Lincoln Continental appearance. According to Gosden, both the Thunderbirds and the Continentals somehow ended up weighing about the same as their production counterparts. (According to Frank Scheidt of the Early Ford V-8 Foundation, the stainless 1936 Ford weighs anywhere from a couple hundred pounds to 500 pounds more than a comparable production 1936 Ford.)

Of the five remaining in Allegheny's possession, the company recently donated one to the [Heinz History Center](#) in Pittsburgh. "It was our way of ensuring that a piece of Allegheny Ludlum's legacy is retained in Pittsburgh," Gillespie said. One of the Lincoln Continentals will remain with Allegheny Technologies, but the three others - one 1936 Ford, one 1960 Thunderbird, and one 1966/1967 Lincoln Continental - will head to auction this fall at the Worldwide Auctioneers Auburn sale. "They're fantastic," Gillespie said, "but we want to make sure these three are kept and maintained by somebody who loves them."

At what is perhaps the only time any of the 11 stainless cars has previously come up for auction, the 1936 Ford that has since joined the Early Ford V-8 Museum's collection bid up to \$550,000 at the 2009 Mecum Monterey sale. Leo Gephardt, the owner of the car at the time, later [told *Hemmings Classic Car* that he valued it at about triple that price](#). According to Worldwide, the three will cross the block as one lot with no reserve. Worldwide's Auburn sale is planned to take place September 5. For more information, visit [WorldwideAuctioneers.com](#).



President's Message

June 2020

Several states are in Phase 1 of getting back to normal, but there is still a long way to go. If you feel it's not time for you to get out and about, certainly don't feel pressured to do so. We had a fabulous little picnic on May 17 for Thunderbird Appreciation Day and thank all that brought your birds out to show them off and enjoy the day. We had 9 couples, the Cherrys, the Denhams, the Hills, the Horns, the Kelleys (us), the Longs, the Panowitzs, the Skruchs, Tom Young and Linda Rodgers and Miss Anne Collins who always comes out for the MATC events. To stay perfectly legal, we split into 2 groups when we arrived at the picnic area, the men and the women. Are you surprised? I didn't think so... We had our masks, we didn't share food and we stayed 6 feet apart. Still had great conversation. It got a little windy and chilly so we didn't stay but about 2 hours, but it was so nice to get out. We had a tech session, where Tom showed Phyllis how to replace the battery in a retro bird. Skip got a lot of great pictures which I'm sure Dan has displayed somewhere in this newsletter. If you didn't join us you missed a great time in a safe environment. Hope to see you next time.

As you can see from the calendar, more events are being cancelled. So far the **All Ford Nationals at Carisle PA has just been postponed until July 31- Aug 2**. If it stays at that date you will see they are honoring the Thunderbird 65th reunion.

Das Awkscht Fescht in Macungie PA has been cancelled for this year.

Denham's potluck on July 5 is still planned. More details on that next month.
Cherry's picnic in the mountains is planned for September and we are looking forward to that.

Our Zoom calls have been popular, so we are planning another for the second Thursday in June, 6/11 at 10am. Watch for emails with details.

Don't forget we're still planning to participate in the outing that New Jersey Thunderbird Association has invited us to join. It will be **October 23-25 at the Carriage House B&B in Ocean Grove NJ**. Lots to do nearby and it sounds like a fun time. Several couples have already expressed interest so please let us know if you want to join us. We forwarded an email from Marsha Dixon from NJTA with reservation information. You should be reserving your room already. thecarriagehouseoceangrove.com

The MATC website midatlanticthunderbirdclub.com is being updated. Check it out. The secure members' page is gone and a lot of old newsletters are now there. Also, the latest photos from the picnic are up. Thanks to Skip Panowitz for some great shots of folks with their birds.

As always, please continue to visit, use and contribute to the MATC website and Facebook pages.

Steve & Cathy Kelley

2003 Ford Thunderbird

Maryland State Inspected and Ready to Roll



Asking Price:

\$12,300.00

Contact:

Steve Kelley

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VIN: 1FAHP60A23Y100879

Mileage: 82000

Warranty: Does NOT have an existing warranty

Vehicle Title: Maryland—Clear

Engine: 3.9L V8 Gasoline 282 H.P.

Transmission: Automatic with Manual Shift Option

Interior Color: Black w/Red Inserts/Trim

Exterior Color: Torch Red

Body Type: Power Convertible w/ OPT. Red Hardtop

Sub Model: Two Door - Premium

For Sale by: Owner

Present Location: Bel Air, MD—Delivery available

OPTIONS: 17" 7 Spoke Chrome Wheels— Anti-Spin Brakes— AM/FM Stereo w/6-CD Changer— Audio-ophile 9 Speaker Sound System— Heated Seats— Engine Oil Cooler—Thunderbird Branded Floor Mats— Perimeter Anti-Theft—Supplemental Fog Lights—Daytime Running Lights - About 8000 miles on tires.

I'm the second owner and I have always kept it in the garage. It has seen no snow and very little rain. It is clean inside and out.



Mid-Atlantic Thunderbird Club

"A Club for Enthusiasts of the Ford Thunderbird of all years"

Application for Membership

Date: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Birth Month _____

Spouse's Name: _____ Birth Month _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____

Home: ____ - ____ - _____ Work: ____ - ____ - _____ Cell: ____ - ____ - _____

Email: _____

Your Occupation: _____ Spouse's Occupation: _____

I was referred by: _____

List Your Thunderbirds:

Car	Year	Style (HT, Conv, Landau, etc.)	Comment (Show, Pleasure, Under Restoration, etc.)
1			
2			
3			
4			
Attach additional sheet if necessary.			

Annual Dues: \$25.00 due each January, newsletter delivered electronically, or
\$40.00 due each January, newsletter delivered by US Postal Service

New Members Partial Year Dues:
\$15.00 if joining after June 1st of the year
Full dues if joining after October 1st of the year, BUT
IT INCLUDES FOLLOWING YEAR DUES (3 months Free)

Name Tags \$10.00 each: _____

Please PRINT names for tags above. Separate by comma if more than one.

Send to: **Make your check payable to MATC.**
Please Mail Application with your check to:
Harry Skruch, Treasurer
4804 Torpoint Road
Nottingham, MD 21236
410-256-2740

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The Mid-Atlantic Thunderbird Club is a Tax-exempt Association under IRC 501 (c) (7).



It is with great regret that the AACA Hershey Region Executive Board informs you that the 2020 Hershey Fall Meet has been cancelled. This decision was not arrived at lightly. Our Club prides itself on producing a world-class event that thousands of people anticipate every year, so we felt the heaviest of burdens when faced with this decision.

While making the difficult choice to cancel, the Board took many obstacles into account, including but not limited to: the health and welfare of our volunteers, vendors, partners, and visitors; the unknown restrictions and/or guidelines that may be in place at the time of our show; and the volunteer-only workforce we rely on to prepare for a show of our magnitude.

We appreciate you understanding how difficult this decision was for the Executive Board to make. We know that some people will be upset by the decision and others will applaud it. Either way, please know that the Hershey Region Executive Board has acted in what they believe are the best interests of the Club, and we ask for your continued support as we navigate these unprecedented times.

Refund information will be sent very soon in regards to all payments already received by

the Hershey Region AACA.

Please know that we continue to explore ideas to benefit the hobby and are working toward the possibility of still hosting our usual car show on Saturday in October. While this may not be doable, AACA and the Hershey Region along with other constituencies are working hard to make this possible. Please visit our [website](#) and [social media](#) as often as possible for the latest news.

Hershey Region AACA

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