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Stuart, Mike and Jean Claude at RM Sotheby's

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The Cars of Dreams Thunderbirds Barrett-Jackson West Palm Bch



1955 "Heinz 57" Resto-Mod at RM Sotheby's

# ITC International Thunderbird Club Membership

#### ITC The International Thunderbird Club

The International Thunderbird Club (ITC) is open to all 1955 to 2005 Thunderbird owners and enthusiasts along with other T-Bird club organizations. Numerous ITC members, including me, belong to CTCI and VTCI.

ITC encourages all clubs to join the other clubs to help support the Thunderbird, share ideas, T-Birds, and technical advice. ITC has one of the largest Thunderbird Facebook pages in the world with over 4,400 T-Bird Facebook members posting daily from around the world.

Numerous CTCI and VTCI chapters have joined ITC. Last year the ITC/VTCI chapter, Hoosier Vintage Thunderbird Club, hosted the ITC chapter. This year the convention will be hosted by ITC/CTCI chapter Buffalo Thunderbird Club. ITC/CTCI chapter Pitt Birds Thunderbird Club has stated that they are happy with the support ITC's provides them. ITC/VTCI Water Wonderland Thunderbird Club from Michigan has stated they are also pleased with ITC's support and never have received support from VTCI.

ITC is very proud of the number of clubs that have joined ITC.

Recently three new chapters have joined ITC La Louisiane Thunderbird Club, Louisiana; Classic Thunderbird Club of Central Ohio; and Central Alabama Thunderbird Club with a few more chapters being they have organized.

The benefit of becoming an ITC chapter is the additional exposure to the T-Bird world. Chapters have stated, grown as a result of their ITC relationship. ITC promotes its chapters by listing their major events in the ITC Script magazine and on the ITC website. ITC also promotes chapters events and members on ITC Facebook. ITC has Technical Advisors for all T-Birds, Marvin Hill, Hill Automotive, is one of the technical advisors for the 1955-57 TBird. Steven Legal is Technical Advisor for the 20-05 Retro Birds.

ITC is sponsored by most of the Thunderbird vendors including Thunderbird Specialists for 2002-05 Retro-birds.

There is no charge to become an ITC chapter. Three ITC members are required for approval with a total of six by the end of the year. If you are not satisfied with being an ITC chapter, you can simply request to end the chapter relationship.

As president of the International Thunderbird Club, I encourage some of your members to join ITC and become an ITC chapter.

Feel free to email or call me anytime if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Gerard (Bart) Bartasavich ITC President



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# editor's corner

ITC South East District Chapter

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Hi Thunderbird Club Members.

This month we are featuring results of the Winter Auctions starting with Barrett-Jackson, Scottsdale. Florida Auctions include Mecum, Kissimmee, RM Sotheby's Ft Lauderdale and Barrett-Jackson, West Palm Beach. I chose these Auctions to report because Scottsdale kicks off the Season and the others reflect our market, Florida. Results vary mostly by vehicle condition as always. Prices remain stable for condition 2 and 3 cars with a few real bargains! 1 Condition cars were more likely to miss the Reserve and still be available for sale. CTCSF again participated in the RM Sotheby's, Ft Lauderdale and a great time was had by those who attended.

Some club members went to the John Staluppi's Cars of Dreams Museum as well in March. Over 150 of John's cars were Auctioned at BJ WPB successfully in April. When Gail asked John why he was doing this, he told her "I want to make it bigger and better"!

Don't forget May 20th is Thunderbird Appreciation Day and to honor that we will be having our Annual Brunch at the Miami Shores Country Club. Details from Oscar to follow.

In the Month of March our club achieved ITC Chapter Status with 6 members initially joining ITC. Those of us who own the later vintage Thunderbirds, 1958+ will benefit from the support ITC will give. Hagerty Insurance is extending a discount to ITC members, giving you another reason to join!

I surely appreciate the articles that are being contributed to our Thunderbird News by our members. Please keep them coming! Thanks to you all for contributing to this month's edition. If you haven't seen yours' yet I assure you it will be in a future issue!

Please remember to support our advertising partners and don't forget to tell them you saw it in The Thunderbird News!

#### **NEWSLETTER CLOSING DATE**

To all members: Remember that this newsletter goes to press the 15th of each month.

Our monthly News magazine has lots of useful information, including upcoming Car Shows and Cruise-ins, Club contact information and technical articles. From time to time information becomes outdated. If you see an error, please let us know!

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for a Collector Car Club Newsletter.

#### CTCI 2017 Newsletter Competition GOLD AWARD

for our October Rally 2016 Edition

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My apologies, If I have missed your birthday it is because I do not have your information. Please contact me to update your records.

Leo Smith

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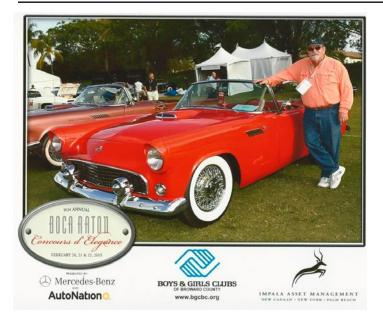
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We encourage participation on our Facebook page. Send Posts about everything Thunderbird related and we will enjoy other "car stuff too.

Like Museum Visits, Car shows and Cruise Ins you attend. And other stuff you think we T-Bird lovers would like. Just keep it as clean as your T-Bird on "Detail Day"!





Just two days before our last meeting, I returned home from a triangle trip to Colorado and Maryland to visit my children and grandchildren (it was great to see them). Traveling through different climates, from snowstorms to warm sunny days, was an experience. I will finally have the opportunity to take out my Thunderbird, which has sat idle in my garage, for almost three weeks, as soon as I finish typing this message and zip it off to Ed.

Speaking of meetings. our meeting for April had a great turnout. We sat outside, and it was very pleasant, once the sun went down. During the meeting, several members spoke about how much they enjoyed working the auction. This year's auction was a success. I want to thank Leo, Peter, Mike, Gail, Stuart, Ed, and all our members who participated. Next year we need to get more members there, so can minimize the portion we must give to other clubs.

Ed reported that our club is now an International Thunderbird Club member. ITC recognizes all Thunderbirds. This is a good arrangement for all our members who have cars newer than 1957. ITC members get a 5% discount with Haggerty Insurance.

I would like to thank and congratulate our newest board member, Richard Manso. I am sure he will be a great asset to both the board and the club.

I would also like to thank Elvis for all his work at the car show in January.

On May 20th, we will have our annual brunch, which is always a crowd-pleaser, at the Miami Shores Country Club. We will celebrate International Thunderbird Appreciation Day.

Because of the brunch, there will be no regular meeting in May. I know it is a long way off, but please remember, that due to Thanksgiving, our November meeting will be a week early.

Plans are now being finalized for our Sebring Thunder trip, our road rally, and our holiday party.

Building on the success of our breakfast at Ellie's 50's Diner, I would like to continue having weekend breakfasts and/or lunches at various locations around our area. This gives us a chance to get together with our cars, in the daylight, and have fun. If you know of a good location for this, please let me know.

The new check in procedure worked very well and we will be using it from this point on. It simplifies placing the orders and collecting the money. I want to thank Anita for overseeing this at the meeting. At our next meeting we will try to simplify the entree delivery system.

Lots of fun ahead!

Feel free to contact me by email (drpaul4kids@gmail.com), or phone /text at 561-613-5715 with suggestions, comments, ideas, etc..

Happy motoring, Paull

#### **Paul Werner**

President - 2018

Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida





## To all members

Remember that this newsletter goes to press the 15th of each month. Please remember the date!. If you want your article to appear, I need it by the 15th!

We welcome any contributions that members can make to our newsletter! This year We want to feature stories about YOUR 1955 Thunderbird.

Do you have any interesting photos of your car? Send it to me!. Do you have any interesting story about your car? Send them to me!





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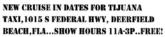






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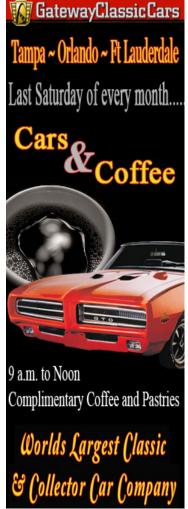




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# **CTCI Classic Thunderbird Club International Membership**



It's called the Classic Thunderbird Club International. and you will find members throughout the United States and all over the world.

#### Why a Thunderbird Club?

Classic Thunderbird Club International (CTCI) was formed to band together owners and admirers of the 1955-57 Ford Thunderbird — to serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, technical information, and sources for parts. Lasting friendships have been formed through local chapters, Regional Conventions and International Conventions. Moreover, CTCI is recognized and sanctioned by the Ford Motor Company, which extends cooperation and support.

Whether your Classic Thunderbird serves as everyday transportation, a relaxing hobby or both, you will find value able help in your restoration and maintenance problems in the TECH TIPS printed in the dub publication, the EarlyBird. This informative, illustrated periodical is distributed every two months and contains a variety of interesting features. Articles about historical data, members and their cars, news of chapter events and activities, are all profusely illustrated with photos. In addition, the *EarlyBird* offers an advertising service to those wishing to buy, sell, or swap parts or cars. You can review the contents of the current issue on our web site: www.ctci.org

What Membership Means

Tours, meets, road rallies, picnics and other outings designed to encourage group participation are regularly conducted by the various chapter groups. Check our web site <a href="www.ctci.org">www.ctci.org</a> for a chapter near you. You are cordially invited to attend any of these friendly chapter meetings or events. CTCI members may also participate in Concours d'Elegance competition at CTCI conventions.



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#### Standard or Premium Packet

Every new member receives a Standard New Member Packet upon payment of the initiation fee and dues. This includes a striking windshield decal, the latest edition of the *EarlyBird*, a membership roster with our club By-Laws, 3"x5" CTCI logo dash plague and other general information. The optional Premium Packet includes the above plus a beautiful metal CTCI grille emblem. Many items such as service and transmission manuals, decals, handbooks and numerous self help items are available and sold to CTCI members only. See our Member Store at www.ctci.org



OUR OBJECTIVE: **EVERY CLASSIC T-BIRD OWNER IS A CTCI MEMBER** 

## CTCI Classic Thunderbird Club

## CTCI Classic Thunderbird Club **International Membership**

I encourage all New Club Members to join CTCI as soon as possible and Current Members to keep your CTCI membership up to date.

Felipe Cos founded our CTCI Chapter, #114 for South Florida in November 1998. Since then our club has hosted a CTCI International Convention in 2004 and grown to include 50 member families.

Look at the benefits of membership. For myself, I have saved a lot of time and money by visiting Gil's Garage, hosted by Gil Baumgartner CTCI Authenticity Chairman and 'Thunderbird Guru' and the Early Bird Club magazine is full of great articles and Club stories!

have included the current CTCI membership application, which is available **www.ctci.org** in an editable .pdf format.

Online Renew for 1 year 2018 for \$37.50 or signup for 3 years at \$105.00 (35.00 a year)





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Renowned Auctioneer David Rupp, guest speaker for our January 18th General Meeting, unfortunately was unable to attend. His replacement was another knowledgeable aficionado of car auctions, our own Irwin Adler, who has been a member for 28 years. Admitting that he was more active years ago, he still attends our car shows.

Following his brief biography of being a principal for 32 years out of his forty-seven years in the Miami-Dade Public Schools, he reported that his interest in cars began when his mother's elderly neighbor was ill and unable to maintain his 1959 Mercedes-Benz 190SL and gave it to the family because Irwin had been admiring it. Being curious Irwin took the car apart. He then met and learned from Jim Thomas a local well renowned super wealthy car collector who bought and restored cars. Over the years, Irwin has bought and sold over 380 cars and currently owns about 40. He found selling cars was more interesting than real estate and the stock market. His plan was to retire in July of 2017 and sell off his cars but was concerned about becoming sedentary. Cars help him keep busy.

Mr. Adler stated that auctions have been around for a long time and are all over the country such as Scottsdale, Arizona, Monterey, California, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida and run by Mecum Auctions, Auctions America, Barrett Jackson, RM Sotheby, Kruse, etc. He doesn't usually buy from auctions but has sold vehicles there.

#### What to Do: Success is what you do before you go.

- Look over the cars that are up for auction. Check out sources such as Old Cars Price Guide and Haggerty on-line applications. The Old Cars Price Guide lists cars from the first class show car to 6th rust bucket with prices given for each category. Become computer literate to use the Haggerty apps so you can best know the cars values. Review brochures for cars you're interested in. Subscribe to Old Cars Weekly for the classified articles which list the auctions and prices of cars when sold, a very important factor. If you use eBay, be very careful because shills may be present, making bids which can cause higher than realistic bidding.
- If you want to become a bidder, have your bank prepare a letter which tells the auction personnel how much you can bid. For example, if the bank says \$60,000, you can bid \$60,000 and the bank will give a certification. It is most important that this is done before going to the auction.
- If you plan to sell a car, you need to have the car placed into a brochure because it gives people a chance to see the car. If you're going to consign a car, the time the car goes through the auction can be a major factor in the sale of the vehicle. Generally, the cars going through on Friday are the least expensive. Saturday is better. You need to get there 3-4 hours prior to the auction. Each car is run through the auction every 3 1/2 minutes. It is to your advantage to have it run through around 2 P.M. Ira Shapiro asked, "Regarding the time, what are the chances compared with other savvy owners"? Adler responded with "Have good contacts or sign up early."
- If buying, decide how much to spend. It is very difficult not to get carried away. Tell yourself, this is what I'm willing to spend and stick to it, especially since there are costs to put a car in an auction, such as the seller's commission. A commission is negotiable at the time of sale (can be found in the small print in paperwork)

- Reserve (minimum amount that the owner will accept as the winning bid in the auction/no reserve (whatever is bid, seller must sell the vehicle). There are no reserves on Friday. Sometimes it's good to put a higher reserve for what you want for the vehicle. If you buy no reserve there's an 8% commission, if reserve, it can be a 10% commission. Sellers and buyers pay the commissions. 18% goes to the auctioneer.

#### **Day of Auction**

-If you haven't pre-registered, go get your bidder's pass, co-sign your paperwork, and preview all the cars in the tent and then go to the outside field. Take notes in the brochure, find out which go through on Friday, Saturday or Sunday, and which goes go through early. Each car has a number. As you're previewing the cars, be aware of the time so you don't miss out bidding when your selected car goes through the line. Make sure you have a rubberized refrigerator magnet. Cars may look good but may have a lot of bondo. Over the years, I've learned to use a camera. Pay attention to the cars you're truly interested in by looking over the entire vehicle, check the leather/grain of the interior and put into memory as much information as possible. Find cars for that day that are not in line yet, checking for correctness, originality, bondo, undercarriage, matching numbers, etc.

- -If at all possible, talk with the owner/seller to get as much information as possible; most of them are reliable. Car shows should have correctly restored vehicles. AACA National Meets' winners will have correct cars.
- The auctioneer stands behind the car and watches the audience. He tries to get the best price for the vehicle, especially if there is a reserve. Sometimes there are no bidders and the car does not sell. One time there was no reserve, so the owner had to buy his own car back, paying the seller's and buyer's commissions (18% total), and shipping/transportation expenses. Luckily, he was able to make a private sale, recouping some of his loss.
- If the first five cars don't sell, they will have the opportunity to go through again at the end.
- -Sold cars: you don't always get the money at the end of the auction; it could take weeks or months before payment is made. You need to negotiate and demand a check immediately.

#### Questions

How does one get the Bank Letter? Get to know your banker. Go to the officer, letting him/her know you're planning to spend \$XYZ at a car auction, and obtain a wire transfer or form of documentation that you can spend \$XYZ.

With what auctions have you had the best experiences? Kruse, which is now Ft. Lauderdale Beach Florida Collector Car Auction, Barrett Jackson, Auctions America and Mecum.

Are there any good auction stories? Years ago, actor Tom Arnold sold his FIAT for more than what it was worth. The reason is because the owner was a famous person.

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The Winter Auctions results following are from Barrett Jackson, Scottsdale, Mecum, Kissimmee, RM Sotheby's Ft Lauderdale and Barrett Jackson, West Palm Beach. I chose these Auctions to report because Scottsdale kicks off the Season and the others reflect our market, Florida. Results vary mostly by vehicle condition as always. #1Excellent, Concours or Show #2 Fine, slight wear #3 Good, Older restoration, showing wear. Prices remain stable for condition 2 and 3 cars with a few real bargains! 1 Condition cars were more likely to miss the Reserve and still be available for sale. More information can be had by visiting the Auction Companies Websites.

Mecum Kissimmee's high seller went to a 2015 Ferrari La Ferrari bringing \$3.41 Million! During the 10-day event Jan 5-14, over 2,200 vehicles \$96.6 Million in Sales crossed the block with a 73% sell through! After-Auction "still for sale" sales increase the number of cars sold to 3,023! A magnificent Marvin Hill restored 1957 F Code was bid up to \$125,000 but failed to meet the Reserve. The highest selling Early Bird was 1956 Sage Green restored by Dave Kindig, \$55K and the highest selling Thunderbird went to a 1960 Convertible \$61,600.00. The value leader was a 2002 Retro, Thunderbird Blue, at only \$10,175.00!







At RM Sotheby's, Ft Lauderdale CTCSF members again volunteered making this our 6th year at the Auction!

Ask anyone who participated, they will tell you what a blast it was. John Layzell fell in love with a Lagonda 1924 16/80 S Type Special. Bob Heslekrants drove the 2006 Ford 40 to the block selling at \$330K. Jean-Claude drove the 2003 Delahaye Speedster and Leo got to drive the 1974 Auburn 866 Speedster replica by Glenn Pray, just to mention a few. My favorite to drive was a 1953 Cadillac Eldorado Convertible selling at \$242,000.









The RM Sotheby's strategy was to have fewer cars, 355 this year vs 408 last year, eliminating Sunday sales and including cars of a higher quality in keeping with their new partnership with Sotheby's. Sales were 19.1 Million dollars!

The highest selling cars were a 1957 300SL Gullwing Mercedes bringing \$1,193,500.00. and a 1962 300 SL Roadster bringing \$1,540,000. Making them the highest selling cars ever at the Ft Lauderdale event. Sell through at this 2-day event April 6th & 7th was at 76%.

Highest Selling Thunderbird, 1957 Coral Sand E Code at \$92,400.00. Best value a 1955 Red w/blk. hardtop and white soft top for just \$14,300.! The car was reportedly resold for 17,000.00 by the high bidder! There was a one owner, unrestored white 1957 sold at \$29,150. A 2003 007 Retro Bird was NOT Sold at 17.000.00 as well as a Minter built 1957 Resto-Mod bid to 46.000.

A very interesting 1955 car dubbed by Jean-Claude as "Heinz 57" because it had a '55 VIN, '56 front fenders with vents and a '57 Dash with digital gauges. This gorgeous Resto-Mod, beige with red leather interior and wire wheel covers sold for \$40,700.00. (Cover Car)











At Barrett- Jackson West Palm Beach, April 12th-15th sales were 39.4 Million with 692 cars sold. Top Seller, Lexus LFA Nurburgring Edition, \$770,000. Burt Reynolds was on hand to offer his 1980 Firebird Pace Car, selling at \$18,150.00.

John Staluppi once again liquidated his Collection Cars of Dreams to rebuild a new "bigger and better" one! 100% of his 145 cars sold many selling in six figures! High selling Cars of Dreams cars, a 1959 Desoto Adventurer, \$330,000 and a 1970 Plymouth Super Bird, \$286,000.

COD Thunderbirds as follows; Red 1955 @ \$55K, /Peacock Blue 1956 w/ Dealer installed E Code upgrade,@ \$77K, /Bronze 1957 Factory E Code @ \$66K and Casino Cream 1959 430 J-Code Convertible @ \$78,100.00!

See the Charts for a more comprehensive summary of the Auction results.











Year	Ft La		RM Sotheby's Ft Lauderdale e Price *	Description	
1955	Beige, Red Int.	2	\$	40,700.00	292 Automatic PS/PB/AC/ 12 Volt / Non-Original Rest-O-Mod/ Digital Dash/custom steering wheel/ Sun visors/custom exhaust/ Tan soft top/ Wire wheel covers/ 56 style fender vents/ fully carpeted trunk/
1955	Torch Red, Blk Hard Top Red/Wht Int.	3+	\$	14,300.00	292 3 Speed/ Pwr windows/ Non-original transmission/ Wire wheels/ Steal of the show/ resold for 17k
1957	Colonial White, Blk/Wht Int	3-	\$	29,150.00	312 Automatic PS/Alternator / Am Fm Cassette Radio/ One Owner, Unrestored
1957	Raven Blk, Blk Top, Red Int	2	\$	46,000.00 NOT SOLD	312 / C4 Automatic/ Fuel injection/PS/P Disc Brakes /AC / Gas shocks Wire Wheels. Amos Minter Rest-O-Mod
1957	Red, Red /Wht Int.	2	\$	33,000.00	312 Automatic/ PS/PB/ Red Porthole top/ Black Soft top/ Wire wheels
1957	Gunmetal Gray, Red Int #3148	1-	\$	45,000.00	312 Automatic PS/PB/Pwr windows/ GMG Porthole top/ Black canvas soft top/ Kelsey Hayes wire wheels/ NOT SOLD
1957	Coral Sand/ Wht Int.	1-	\$	92,400.00	312 E Code Automatic/PS Pwr seats & Windows/ Wht soft top/ Kelsey Haye wire wheels
1957	Dusk Rose/ Cream Int.	1-	\$	47,850.00	312 Automatic/ PS/PB/AC/ Blk Soft top / Wire wheels /
1963	Wimbledon Wht, Parchment Int.	1-	\$	43,450.00	390 Automatic/PS/PB / AC/ Pwr White Cnvrt top Pwr seats & windows/ Tonneau Cover? Wire wheels
2003	Coral, Wht Top, Wht/Blk int	2	\$	17,000.00 NOT SOLD	James Bond Edition #660 /700/ All Pwr options 70k miles



			Mecum Kissimmee					
Year	Color	Condition	Sale Price *	Description				
1955	Yellow. Black/Wht Int.	3	\$ 24,200.00	292 Automatic/Pwr widows & seat/ Porthole hardtop/ black soft top				
1955	Raven Black, Wht/Blk Int.	2-	\$ 29,150.00	292 Automatic/ Blk non-porthole top/ Blk Haartz soft top/Wire wheel covers/Recent mechanical restoration				
1955	Torch Red, Blk/Wht Int	3	\$ 31,900.00	292 Automatic/PS/Pwr seat/ Kelsey Hayes Wire wheels/ Black soft top				
1955	Torch Red, Red/Wht Int.	2	\$ 31,900.00	292 Automatic/PS/ Pwr seat/ AC/ Red non-porthole top/White soft top / Wire wheel covers				
1956	White, Blk/Wht int	3-	\$ 22,000.00	312 Automatic / PS/Blk non-porthole hardtop/No skirts 79K miles				
1956	White, Blk/Wht int	3	\$ 26,400.00	312 Automatic /PS/Wht porthole hardtop/Wire wheel covers				
1956	Peacock Blue, Wht/PB Int	3-	\$ 28,600.00	292 Automatic /PB/PS/Wht porthole top/ Town & Country Radio cosmetic restoration/ narrow Wht stripe radial tires				
1956	White, Peacock blue/Wht Int.	2-	\$ 36,300.00	312 Automatic /PS/Pwr seats/Wht porthole hardtop/Wire wheels				
1956	Colonial Wht, Wht/Blk Int	1-	\$ 40,150.00	312 Automatic /PS/AC/Pwr seats/Wht porthole hardtop/Wht soft top/Wire wheels				
1956	Fiesta Red, F Red/Wht Int	1-	\$ 41,800.00	312 3 Speed Manual/PS/PB/Pwr seats & windows/Wht porthole hard top/ wire wheel covers Town & Country Radio				
1956	Sage Green, Wht/S.Green Int.	2-	\$ 44,000.00	312 Automatic / PB/PS/AC/Pwr windows & seat/SG Porthole hardtop/Wht soft top				
1956	Sage Green, Wht/S.Green Int.	2	\$ 55,000.00	292 Automatic /PS/Alternator/Wire wheels /Radial wide Wht tires/Restored and signed by Dave Kindig				
1957	Colonial White, Wht/Blk Int.	3-	\$ 30,800.00	312 Automatic/ PS/ Wht porthole top/ Wht soft top				
1957	Raven Blk, Red Int.	2-	\$ 41,800.00	312 Automatic /PS/PB/AC/ Hardtop & Soft top/ Wire wheels				
1957	Colonial Wht, Wht Top /Wht/Blk Int	1	\$ 125,000.00 NOT SOLD	312 F-Code Supercharged 300hp Automatic /PS/PB/Pwr windows/ Dial-o-Matic seats. Marvin Hill restoration.				
1960	Green Met #4088, Wht Cnvrt Top Green Int.	1-	\$ 61,600.00	352 Automatic PS/PB/PT/Wire wheels				
1960	Beige, Beige Cnvrt. Beige Int &Top	3	\$ 13,200.00	352 Automatic PS/PB/PT Pwr windows				
1963	Corinthian White, Blk Int	2	\$ 22,500.00	390 Automatic PS/PB				
1963	Rangoon Red, Red Int. Wht Cnvrt. Top	3	\$ 20,900.00	390 Automatic / PS/PB / AC / Pwr windows/ Tonneau Cover/ Wht Pwr top/Wire Wheels/ Unrestored				
1963	Rangoon Red, Blk Int. Wht Cnvrt. Top	2+	\$ 37,500.00	390 Automatic / PS/PB / AC / Pwr windows/ Tonneau Cover/ Wht Pwr top/Wire Wheels				
1964	Wimbledon White, Blue Int, Wht Cnvrt Top	2	\$ 26,400.00	390 Automatic PS/PB/Pwr windows/ AC/ Pwr top				
1964	Rangoon Red, Blk Int, Blk Cnvrt Top	2	\$ 23,100.00	390 Automatic / PS/PB/ Pwr windows & door locks/ Pwr top/Wire Wheels				
1966	Sauterne Gold Poly, Gold HT & Int.	2	\$ 20,350.00	390 Automatic/PS/PB/Pwr windows & Seats/AC				
1979	Heritage Edition Maroon, Red Int	1-	\$ 9,625.00	302 Automatic/PS/PB/ AC/ Pwr windows & locks/Cruise CTRL/ 32k miles				





2002	Thunderbird Blue (Turquoise),	2+	\$ 18,150.00	3.9 Ltr 252hp Automatic/ All Power options/ TB Hardtop/ Blk Soft Top Premium w/ leather Int. / 38k
	Turquoise/Blk Int.			miles
2002	Red, Blk/Red Int.	2+	\$ 19,250.00	3.9 Ltr 252hp Automatic/ All Power options/ Red Hardtop/ Blk Soft Top Premium w/ leather Int. /32,854 miles
2004	Monterey Mist Green(Mint), Blk/Wht int.	2	\$ 16,500.00	3.9 Ltr 280hp Automatic All Power options/ Wht Hardtop/ Blk Soft top/ 85k miles
2005	Cashmere 50th Anniversary Edition #655 of 1500	2	\$ 34,100.00	3. 9 Ltr 280hp Automatic All Power options/ Cashmere Hardtop & Soft top/ 7,075 miles!
2002	Thunderbird Blue (Turquoise), Turquoise/Blk Int.	3	\$ 10,175.00	3.9 Ltr 252hp Automatic/ All Power options/ Blk Soft /Base

			Barrett-Jackson WPB			
Year	Color	Condition	Sale Price *	Description		
1955	Colonial Wht, Blk/Wht Int.	2	\$ 29,000.00	292 Automatic / PS/Wire Wheel Covers/ Blk soft top		
1955	Torch Red, Red/Wht Int	1	\$ 55,000.00	292 Automatic/ PS/PB/Pwr windows/ Hardtop & Blk soft top / Wire Wheels/ John Staluppi Collection		
1955	Raven Black, Blk/Wht Int.	2	\$ 51,700.00	292 Automatic/ PS/Bendix PB/ Pwr seats/ Blk Soft top/Wire wheel covers/Continental kit removed		
1956	Raven Black, Blk/Wht Int.	2-	\$ 22,500.00	312 Manual 3 Speed /overdrive/ Blk Porthole top and Soft top/ missing front bumperettes/Fairlane headlight "eyebrows"		
1956	Colonial White, Peacock blue/Wht Int.	3+	\$ 38,500.00	312 Manual 3 speed/Wht soft top		
1956	Peacock Blue, PB/Wht int.	1	\$ 77,000.00	312 W/E Code Dealer installed Carbs/ Automatic/PS/PB Pwr windows & seat/ Kelsey Hayes Wire wheels/ Wht porthole hard top & soft top/ John Staluppi Collection		
1957	Colonial Wht, Blk/Wht Int.	2	\$ 24,200.00	292 4 bbl. Carb/ Manual 3 Speed /AC Wht Porthole top/ Wire Wheels		
1957	Colonial Wht, Wht Int	2	\$ 55,000.00	312 Automatic/PS/PB/ Chrome engines dress up/ Continental kit/ Kelsey Hayes Wire wheels		
1957	Thunderbird Bronze Poly, Bronze Int	1	\$ 66,000.00	312 E Code Automatic/ PS/ Porthole and soft top/ John Staluppi collection		
1959	Casino Cream, Blk Int. Cnvrt.	1	\$ 78,100.00	430 J-Code /PB/PS/Pwr windows & Top/ Kelsey Hayes Wire wheels John Staluppi Collection		
1959	Colonial White, Red Int.	3		352 Automatic/PB/PS/ Chrome Wire Type wheels		
1962	Torch Red/ Red int. Sports Roadster	1	\$ 85,500.00	390/ PS/PB/AC/ Pwr windows/ Red Tonneau Cover/ Wire wheels/ Jon Staluppi Collection /Sports Roadster Edition		
1962	Wimbledon Wht, Blk Int. #441	1	\$ 38,500.00	390/ PS/PB/AC/ Pwr windows/ Wht Tonneau Cover/ Wire wheels/ featured in restore My Ride TV Show /Sports Roadster Edition		
1962	Wimbledon Wht, Blk Int. #94.1	2	\$ 33,000.00	390/ PS/PB/AC/ Pwr windows/ Wht Tonneau Cover/ Wire wheels		
1964	Wimbledon Wht, Red Int.	1	\$ 24,200.00	390 PS/PB/Pwr windows/AACA Senior !!		
1964	Wimbledon Wht, Aqua Int. Cnvrt	2	\$ 33,000.00	390 PS/PB/AC/Pwr windows and Top/ Tonneau cover		
1965	Torch Red, Blk Int	2	\$ 33,000.00	390/ PW/PB AC /Pwr windows & seats/ Red tonneau cover		
1965	Turquoise, Wht int	3-	\$ 20,900.00	390/ All Pwr options		















# CLASSIC THUNDERBIRD CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA

Executive Board Meeting . April 18, 2018

# MINUTES OF MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Paul Werner called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Peter Klein returned from Europe and thanked Gail Corenblum for taking over the Treasurer's duties in his absence. He also thanked Leo, Ed, Mike and Stuart for managing the auction activities.

Peter reported that the treasury is sufficiently solvent and will give an accounting at a future meeting. He stated that the club would have to consider some expenditure in the future to maintain its tax status. Dues have been caught up by most members. Club's donation to the McPherson College has not yet been sent.

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Paul suggested, and it was approved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the March meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **NEW BOARD MEMBER**

Paul announced the addition of Richard Manso to the Board of Directors and welcomed his participation.

#### **CAR SHOW**

Paul expressed his thanks to Elvis Padron for his great work at the car show.

#### RM/SOTHEBY'S AUCTION:

Leo reported that this year's auction was the best organized and most successful. He thanked Mike, Gail, Stuart and Ed for their hard work. He also thanked all the good drivers who participated over the two auction days, noting that almost 80% of cars were sold and \$16 million dollars was taken in by the auction company. He emphasized the importance of club driver participation to minimize the necessity of splitting the money with other clubs.

Richard Manso expressed gratitude to Gail and Gina for going above and beyond the call of duty for the chock work at the staging driveway. The membership present gave its thanks by a standing ovation.

#### **FUTURE EVENTS:**

May 20th, which is International Thunderbird Appreciation Day, will be the date of our annual brunch, at the Miami Shores Country Club.

September 14-16: Sebring Thunder. Oscar noted there would be no rally during this event and members were to meet at the hotel. An extra \$5 would be collected for a club reception on Friday.

November 2-4: The Ninth Edition of the 300 Mile Rally! Further information will be available on the website.

December 8: Holiday Party information will be posted to the website. We will repeat Mean Santa gift exchange. Participants were reminded to be aware of the \$20 amount of the gifts. Oscar noted that Jose vowed not to get up more than 20 times to choose another gift at this event.

#### INTERNATIONAL THUNDERBIRD CLUB:

Ed reported that ITC members can take advantage of a 5% discount on Hagerty Insurance. There is information in Ed's email of April 17, which includes a link and a toll free 800 number. Ed also had applications available for club members who wanted to join.

#### **BREAKFAST EVENTS:**

Discussion was held on breakfast events, but no definitive locations were agreed on. Because of the distances club members had to drive, suggestion was made to find places midway between. A lunch option was also suggested. Ed offered to look into several restaurants in the Plantation and Bonaventure areas. A return to Ellie's Diner was also mentioned. Paul asked the group to come back with places and include a lunch option as well as a later breakfast.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT:**

There will be no meeting in May because of the Brunch on May 20th. November's meeting will be the second Wednesday of the month due to Thanksgiving.

#### **NEWSLETTER:**

Ed announced that checks have been received for the newsletter ads and the Newsletter is now fully funded and back to 20 pages. The next edition will have comprehensive coverage of recent shows and auctions, including Barrett Jackson at which John Staluppi sold 145 cars from his collection for \$13.96 Million.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Paul announced that the process of signing in, choosing a dinner option and paying the meal charge before the meeting was working well and will continue.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Crochet





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Wed 8/8	9AM-5PM Motor Coach Pierce Arrow Auto Museum and Frank Lloyd Wright Architectural Tour with lunch, select Pot Roast Fish FryGrilled Chicken Salad		\$90		\$
	6PM Thunderbird Olympics (Six fun events that include your T-Bird)		N/C	# Cars	N/C
Thurs 8/9	9AM-5PM Motor Coach Tour to Niagara Falls NY including Maid of the Mist with lunch at Top Of the Falls restaurant, Terrapin Point and time to explore other Falls attractions		\$90		\$
Fri 8/10	Meetings & Seminar 9-10AM Judges / Car Owners / General Concours Meeting 10AM-Noon Annual ITC Membership Meeting 1-2PM FREE Seminar—Steve Legel, Ford Expert and Author	# Attending			
	3PM-8PM Motor Coach to Buffalo waterfront for Private Charter Dinner Cruise on Miss Buffalo II with time to enjoy other Canalside attractions including Naval & Military Park		\$90		
Sat 8/11	9AM-3PM All T-Bird Concours Show - Judging at 10:30AM - Hyatt Place				
	6PM –10PM Awards Banquet 5:45PM Motor Coach departs for PROTOCOL Restaurant Buffet / Cash Bar / Live Entertainment Theresa Quinn Quartet		\$70		\$
Sun 8/12	Breakfast and Farewells ~ Safe Travels Home!				
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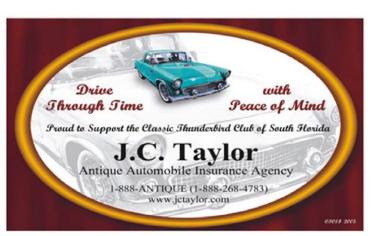






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