

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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ITC South East District Chapter

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Hi Thunderbird Club Members,

It was a December to remember!

As a Club we went to the Festival Flea Mkt

Fall show on Dec.2nd and occupied 24 spaces right up front in row 2! We had a great time 11 Thunderbirds and 4 of our members and 1 guest won trophies! We invited Thunderbird owners driving in who were not club members and we have 2 possible new ones! See the story in this issue.



Dec 8th was our Holiday Party which again was at the Holiday Inn, Miami West. The food was great and the "Mean Santa" exchange was the best ever. Bring a gift you would "fight for" was the theme and judging from the gifts brought, beside a love of THUNDERBIRDS, it seems we like to enjoy adult beverages (we like to drink!) There are some great pictures of the festivities in this issue, including a "classic" Steal from Oscar!

And finally, the Club Sponsored Show January 27th is this month! Details about everything can be found in the Minutes of our November Club Meeting as well as in the newsletter features and on-line. Contact Oscar for your assignments!

Don't forget to RENEW YOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP still just \$35 for a package worth \$250!

Thank you to all our advertisers for making Thunderbird News possible. We appreciate your continued support in 2019!

Cheers and Happy New Year!

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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CTCI 2017 Newsletter Competition GOLD AWARD for our October Rally 2016 Edition

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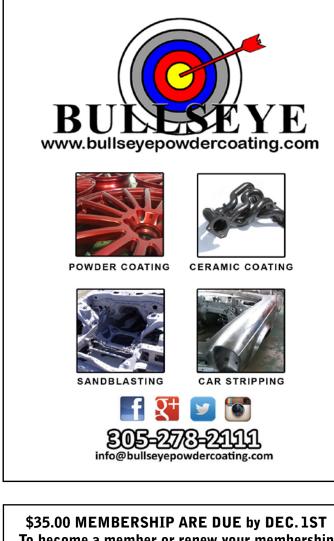
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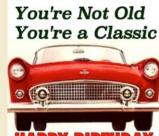
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www.facebook.com/ThunderbirdClubSouthFLorida

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"!





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UPCOMING CLASSIC CAR EVENTS-CAR SHOWS







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President's Message JANUARY 2019



We had two great events since our last newsletter.

We had a great turnout at the Holiday Car Show at the Festival Flea Market in Pompano Beach. We filled about twenty spots and picked up several potential new members. Let us hope they follow

through. We came away with four trophies. Bob and Natalie Heslekrants won one for their Mustang. Gail and Stuart Corenblum took a trophy for either their Packard or their Thunderbird (I am not sure which). Jay Faust took one for his Corvette, and Richard Manso for his Thunderbird. Everyone had a great time and I am planning to do this again next year.

Six days later we had our holiday party. Before I forget, I would like to thank Oscar and Marcia, as well as any other unsung heroes who

helped to make this a great event.

Everyone had a great time and the food and wine were good. The Mean Santa went off great with the usual spousal alliances, antics and horse trading. It was great to see that everyone respected the ground rules.

Next month we have our annual car show, Jan 27th This is a very important event, so when the email comes from Oscar, please step up and volunteer. The same applies to our work at the car auction. These important events are our primary fundraisers, enabling the club to subsidize the cost of our monthly meeting, as well as enabling events, such as the holiday party and a paid-up member breakfast, free to members.

Speaking of paid up, if you have not

paid your 2019 dues yet, go the website and get caught up.

The Redlands Rally is coming up Jan. 19th, and we will have a group dinner afterwards, also free to members.

We will also be having our second annual paid

up breakfast soon. It will again be at Ellie's '50's Diner in Delray Beach. Saturday, Feb. 9th Anita and I would like to wish to all, a belated Happy Chanukah, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy and Healthy New Year, as well as any other day you may observe.

May the god of your choice bless you.

Paul Werner President - 2018 Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida

May 15-19, 2019: CTCI Region 6 Convention "Western Classic Roundup", Flagstaff, Arizona



Set your sights on the West for the 2019 Region 6 Classic Thunderbird Convention which will be held at the newly renovated Little America in Flagstaff, Arizona on May 15-19, 2019. The Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club is proud to present the "Western Classic Roundup." Our location promises cool weather amid the Ponderosa Pines at an elevation

of 6,909 feet. Our tours and scenic drives will provide a taste of Western beauty. Be prepared to be amazed at the diversity of our state.

Pre-registration is available for \$50 which will help meet the financial obligations of this regional convention. Your early support would be greatly appreciated. This pre-registration amount will be applied to your total registration and should be mailed to: Judy Thompson,

convention registration chair, 4055-28 N. Recker Road, Mesa, AZ 85215-7793. Checks should be payable to Arizona Classic Thunderbird Club. If additional information is needed, Judy can be reached at 602-625-2052. Additional convention information will be e-mailed to all CTCI chapters.

The Little America Hotel & Resort in Flagstaff is offering a special rate of \$139 per night plus tax. Parking for about 200 Thunderbirds as well as nearby trailer parking is provided. The hotel phone is 800-865-1401 (or 928-779-7900 for locals) and the promo "phrase" is "Thunderbird Regional Convention." Early registration is encouraged. The hotel features Southwestern decor and granite bathrooms and is close to major attractions such as the Grand Canyon, the Red Pillars of Sedona, the Lowell Observatory and Wupatki National Monument, among others. Registration forms will be available soon on our chapter website: www.arizonaclassicthunderbirds.org. Preregistration is encouraged. For additional questions, phone Chuck Thompson, Convention Chair at 480-773-0222. Go to the CTCI website for upcoming details!





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.



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)





What Membership Means

Whether your Classic Thunderbird serves as everyday transportation, a relaxing hobby or both, you will find valuable help in your restoration and maintenance problems in the TECH TIPS printed in the club 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

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 www.ctci.org 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.



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 plaque 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

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Signature Date Check here if you wish to be listed in the CTCI roster, as of April Ist. I give permission for my phone number and/or email address to be listed in the CTCI roster.							

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Festival Flea Market Fall Show

Thanks to the effort of our President, Paul Werner we were able to get 24 spaces in the 2nd row of the show field to display our Club cars!

The weather turned out perfect although the threat of rain delayed a lot of participants, who arrived later, but over 600 cars were on display. As Thunderbird owners arrived who were not members, we enticed them to join us, adding 2 to our "flock". We had a wide verity of members cars. 11 Thunderbirds were displayed including Steve & Myrna Wishnick's 50th anniversary 2005. They came over from Punta Gorda! Jay brought his Corvette and a friend with a Cobra replica, both winning trophies! Stuart and Gail brought their Packard Resto-mod, fresh from the shop after a long period of restoration for its "reveal" to the Club and Bob with his fabulous Mustang Resto-mod. New member, Marty Cohen showed his Ice Blue Retro-Bird. At the end of the day we came away with 4 Trophies! Richard Manso-1966 Thunderbird, Jay Faust-Corvette Tribute, Bob Heslekrants-1966 Mustang, Ed Raabe-1955 Thunderbird.

We all had a great time and we are looking forward to the next show!









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2018 This Year's Holiday Part was held once again at the Holiday Inn West, a grand ballroom befitting the Classic Thunderbird Club of South Florida. Thanks to Oscar and Marcia for making the arrangements. The buffet was wonderful and after drinks and dinner the real fun began with our 'Mean Santa' tradition gift exchange. This year the gifts represented the true spirit of the event. Give it, like you would want to steal it!

Now, not to judge our members predilections, but most of the gifts were adult beverages, enthusiastically received! Daisy once again was a wonderful MC, without her we would never have known what was still "open" to steal or a final pick. The Saladino brothers were especially helpful with opening the packages and great time was had by all!

















































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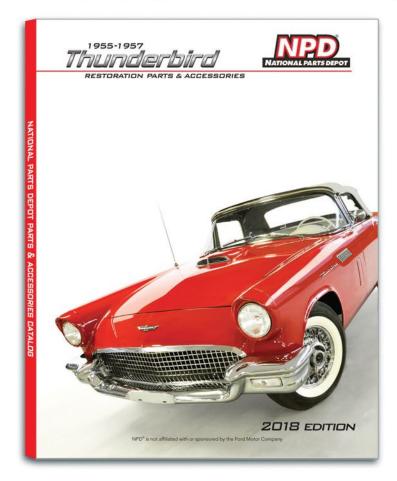


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