

GTOAM - September 1997

THE LATEST GREATEST BIGGEST EVENT by Susan

Worcester

Sunday September 7, 11:00 am, at Jeff and Mary Shepard's, Gardiner, ME....a POOL Party/Pig Roast! Were you there? Well, we were and, hey, nobody said if it was a GTO meeting or just a good old fashioned wing-ding....so we cruized on down IC-GTO (incognito....NOT in a GTO). But we parked the unidentified means of transportation away from the Goat gathering. We even had to use the phone at the Shepard's to call and invite more non-Pontiac-ed guests! This helped take some of the pressure off us.

Well anyhow, the big event was a great event! Lots of shop talk, swimming, eating, dog teasing, apple chasing, and more. The car that was the big hit of the day was Jeff's parts car! A wrecker was even called to the site to lift the car to inspect the floor pan and check it out for a P.P. (possible posi).

The 1997 main event has come and gone. If your GTO wasn't ready and for some reason you couldn't or didn't make it....you missed a GREAT TIME!!! Maybe you'll be ready for the BIG EVENT in 1998!

RECUPERATION

Word is that Fred's knee surgery went well but he's in for a long recuperation. Get well soon Fred so you can attack that new '70 convertible!

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NEXT BIG EVENT!!!

Saturday and Sunday October 4 and 5 we cruise to Bar Harbor. Joe Paluga has agreed to put us up at his Towne Hotel for the bargain price of \$50 per room. Call 1-800-458-8644 soon and make your reservation for Sat. night

Sunday we head to Winterport Dragway. Joe is part owner of the track and will give us a reduced price admission. Sat afternoon will be open for shopping and enjoying the Bar Harbor area.

We'll meet in Gardiner at 9:00 Sat AM to head out. We'll plan other stops and rendezvous depending on who decides to go. Give me a call for the caravan.

You don't have to spend the whole weekend to get in on this event. Spend just Sat afternoon with us in Bar Harbor or just come on down Sun. to the drags. Make sure to make at least some part of this event!

WELCOME TO GTOAM

Welcome to Debbie and Barney Ryan. They have a '67. This brings us to 8 new members this year

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasury is very healthy with over \$400 at least before the cookout expenses.

MY GOAT by Mathias Poulin

My first car was a 64 GTO. At the time (about 1963) I was living in San Antonio, Texas. Though I was born in Maine, my father was a career Air Force man. We had just moved back to Texas for the second time. I was living with my folks and working days going to collage nights.

The 64 GTO had been out for a few months when I read the famous road test in Car and Driver. After that I knew I had to have one. I went to my local Pontiac dealer to check it out and order mine. I ordered a red (what else), HT, 4 barrel, now I know everyone had a tripower (or so it seems now days), factory air (one summer in Texas heat is enough), automatic (city driving), quick ratio steering, radio, console, HD shocks, and red line tires. Took about 6 weeks to arrive. About a year later we moved back to Maine. In 1966 I got married and the Goat got traded for a '67 Lemans Ouch!

Next time I will tell you about the street and drag racing scene in San Antonio in the early 60's. Also about the local Pontiac dealer and their 63 AFX factory 421 SD Tempest!

ORGANIZATION INFO

Join GTOAA it's a great organization and just the Legend is worth the price of admission. Dues are \$30 per year:

GTOAA
5829 Stroebel Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48609.

POCI is another very worthwhile organization. You must be a POCI member to get a hotel reservation for the 1998 nationals in Sturbridge, MA: \$25 per year:

POCI
P.O. Box 9569
Brandenton, FL 34206

SWEATSHIRTS

I'm putting together an order for club sweatshirts. I'll order as soon as I have enough interest. I don't need any up front money just the size desired.

IT WORKED FOR ME

I've had some great luck with a company called OEM paints. They make a product called fresh steel that gives a matte silver appearance to throttle cable ends, hood latches...this finish looks like natural metal and is extremely tough. I also used their spatter paint and clear coat in my trunk and was pleased with it. 619-747-2100 or <http://www.oempaints.com> or P.O. Box 461736, Escandido, CA 92046-1736.

TRIVIA

Attached is a trivia game from the East Coast Regional Meet. It worked as a good icebreaker as you worked with your entire table. A couple of the questions are kinda tricky as the put some interesting twists on the answers. Here's the deal - the most correct answers before the Bar Harbor Cruise gets you 2 GTOAM hats. You have to pick the hats up at a GTOAM event. Go for it!

PARTS

Need chrome trim pieces for '69 conv. (wheelwell, rocker, lower front end). Joe Calise 799-8477.

I have a bunch of new stuff - '67 Lemans, blue buckets, console, nice running 326. Also '68 Firebird conv for parts. Charlie 633-2904.

BYE FOR NOW

Thanks to Susan Worcester and Mathias Poulin for your articles. Keep your chins up, there's still a lot of good Pontiac driving weather in store for this year yet. See you ALL on Oct. 4!!