

GTOAM - December 1997

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SWEATSHIRTS!!!
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They are on order! We've got some extras on order for stock but if you want one call soon as I only got a few. We have a good stock of tee shirts and hats. Prices are:

Hats - \$5, Shirts - \$10, Sweatshirts - \$20.
Shipping is \$3 per order.

FEATURE STORY

This comes to us courtesy of Mathais Poulin. It originally appeared in Speed & Custom in 1964. Thanks for all your input this year, Mathais. Keep it coming.

MEMBER NEWS

Mike King sent a letter detailing the events he's attending next year. These include the Winternationals in CA, The POCI nationals this July in Sturbridge MA, as well as some other shows relating to one of GM's economy car divisions. Mike is also a good source for information if you need a '66 GTO drag car - only \$18,500 less engine. Lot's of other good deals like this in the National Dragster.

Check out this month's edition of Pontiac Enthusiast. My car is pictured in Atlanta right there on pg 25. My engine has been out and re-built to cure it's oil burning problem (wrong oil seals). Butler and McMaster did it totally under warrantee despite the fact that it sat in my garage for almost 2 years and I had put 9000 miles on it this year.

THE LAST CRUISE

Couple of good ole boys are enjoying a healthy share of Milwaukee's Best. Nothin' better to do on a cool, damp fall afternoon, but park in their beat up Nova behind the Winterport transfer station overlooking the empty Winterport Dragway. Suddenly out of the mist a lone '66 GTO convertible appears, stages on the starting line, and tears off in a blur. In a few seconds the lone goat is hurtling back their way and disappears into the mist..."Did you see that?" asks one. "Pass me another beer" replies the other....

Mother Nature decided not to cooperate but we made the best of it anyway. Rose and I headed to Brunswick to catch the Awesome Auto Tour when it went by....and who should appear...but Fred and Susan with Fred at the wheel! We caught up with them at their stop in Topsham. I knew that we were done for when weatherman Paul Cousins climbed into their car for the next leg. Headed next to Belfast for a spot of lunch at "The Barn" Good food and good beer brewed right there. Met the rest of the convoy, Debbie and Barney Ryan, in Ellsworth and headed to Cadillac Mountain. Got some great pics of the cars on top. Had a great tour of Joe Paluga's Inn and enjoyed some good food, drink, and shopping in Bar Harbor. Unfortunately we got rained out for the drags but that's where we came in...

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MORE NEWS

I'm heading to Puerto Rico for at least 3 months beginning Jan. 5. I'll still be accessible via my E-mail "huntingt@osi.sylvania.com". Letters to my home address will be forwarded by Rose. She'll also handle those shirt orders.

PRODUCT INFO

Indian Artifacts - Dave Barsky is offering a \$2 discount to Club Members when ordering his ties. These look great - check out the Year One ad with Jim Wagners - he's wearing one!! Give Dave a call and place your order before 12/31 - tell him Charlie sent you (or at least that you're a GTOAM member) 718-332-4479. Or contact him at PO Box 350288, Brooklyn< NY 11235

Jim Wagners' - "Musclecar Memories" Art series now available. This series consists of 6 paintings by Dana Forrester. They depict scenes from the early muscle car days featuring Pontiac - of course. If you'd like to see them try "www.jimwagners.com". Snail Mail is Automotive Marketing Consultants, Inc., 1309 Melrose Way, Vista, CA 92083. Price is \$39.95 per print or \$199.95. These are quite a nice set.

IT WORKED FOR ME

Plasticote - Classic Black Lacquer - finally a semi gloss black lacquer in a spray can. I've used it for many detailing projects and it looks good. Painted Rose's Firebird console with it among other things.

I've been using Plasticote #227 for engine paint. It's the closest I've found yet. I'd like to hear about something that's more green - any ideas?

NAPA is offering a self etching primer in a spray can. This works well for small jobs

when you don't want to break out the spray gun. It's part of their "Professional Series"

Duplicolor #GM326 "sand silver" perfect color for those grill restorations. I used it on the '66 and have a couple of cans on order to do Rose's Firebird grills.

MICKEY THOMPSON

Mike King sent me a great article on Mickey Thompson from National Dragster. It's too long to try to get it in this newsletter, but I'd be glad to send it to anyone who'd like a copy. This offer needs to be acted upon soon - like this week while I still have copier access. Hesitate and maybe I'll be back this spring.

BYE FOR NOW

Happy Holidays!! Merry Christmas!!
Happy New Year!!! Adios Amigos!!!

I might get motivated to do another newsletter from the sunny south - but only if I get enough input. If not we'll see you all at the spring meeting