

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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July 2019-June 2020

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Most of the automotive car club world has shut down and waiting for times to improve regarding the covid19 pandemic!! Everyone needs to do and follow the regulations that they are comfortable with and just use some common sense when out in public!! The 69th Mystery Cruise was on June 27th which began in Thornton off Hwy 7 and Washington. Pat Potter had a route planned for us, which took the 15 T-Birds carrying 35 people into Boulder and on to Lyons where we stopped at the Colorado Cherry Co. to take a self-guided tour and enjoy their products made from cherries. After enjoying the cherry dishes, everyone was set free to explore and find their own food venue. Some folks went to Estes Park, others to Boulder or Lyons and some simply went home. A big THANK-YOU to the Potter's for organizing this first Mystery Cruise of 2020!!

This year the annual picnic, awards and elections was held at Stern Park in Littleton. The RMTc had 25 T-Birds show up and 47 people. Laurie Sarno made sure that gloves and hand sanitizer was available for those that chose to use them. We had plenty of fried chicken and enough side dishes and desserts for everyone. Margie, one of Laurie's friends, made a lemon cake with the RMTc Logo on it with the words 40 Anniversary and another cake with four T-Birds on top!! After everyone was done eating, I started the annual meeting mentioning that we were celebrating the 65th anniversary of the T-Bird and the 40th Anniversary of the RMTc. I also gave a brief history of the club and recognized the Hatches, Theismans and myself as charter members of the RMTc in attendance!! After the meeting came the elections of the RMTc Officers and Directors, all were re-elected. Next, I handed out paper awards to the club's Officers and Directors for a job well done. The participation award once again went to the Caswells for attending the most functions and bringing their T-Birds. Finally, the John Saylor Award was given to Ernie Tangye for his continued help with club functions and equipment. Ernie is the 20th RMTc member to receive our club's highest award. Next Cory and Mike Turmell began pulling door prize tickets so lucky winners could claim their prize. Everyone seemed to enjoy the venue and getting together with RMTc friends!!

There are some upcoming events that we can look forward to. The 70th Mystery Cruise is set for July 25th. Meet at the Lookin Good Restaurant for breakfast at 8am with a departure time of 9am to who knows where?? The Chenango Car Show in Parker is August 2nd, the 71st Mystery Cruise is set for August 22nd, and the Colorado Car Clinic Car Show is scheduled for August 30th. More details about these functions can be found in this newsletter.

PLEASE keep track of upcoming events and try to attend as many as you feel comfortable doing!! This has been a very unusual year so far but the Officers and Directors of the RMTTC are working to keep the RMTTC strong and mighty!!

Things will get better with time just be careful,
Don Reinke II RMTTC President 2003 – 2022

2020 CLUB EVENTS & MEETINGS

Most events are on a Saturday. Different days and changes are in bold print.

08/01	Saturday	9am-noon	August BOD Meeting, Barb's Home, Englewood, CO
08/02	SUNDAY	8am-1pm	Chenango Car Show, Parker, CO
08/08	Saturday	8am-3pm	CCCC Car/Air Show Swap Meet, Jeff Co Airport CANCELLED
08/09	SUNDAY	10am-4pm	Frank's Pizza Car Show, S Broadway, Englewood CANCELLED
08/11-15			VTCI INTERNATIONAL, Portland, OR CANCELLED
08/22	Saturday	9am-3pm	August Mystery Cruise, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan, Denver
08/30	SUNDAY	7am-3pm	Colorado Car Clinic Car Show, So Broadway, Littleton RSVP
09/05	Saturday	9am-noon	September BOD, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan, Denver
09/06	Sunday	TBD	Windsor Car Show, Windsor, CO
09/07	MONDAY	8am-3pm	Labor Day Parade, Louisville, CO
09/12	Saturday	8am-6pm	Speciality Auto Auction, Larimer County Fairgrounds, Loveland
09/13	SUNDAY	7am-2pm	All Ford Day Car Show, Sheridan High School, 3201 W Oxford Ave, Denver
09/27	Saturday	9am-3pm	September Mystery Cruise, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan, Denver
10/03	Saturday	9am-noon	October BOD, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan, Denver
10/10	Saturday	8am-3pm	Pumpkin Follies, Reinke Bros, Littleton, CO CANCELLED
10/24	Saturday	9am-3pm	October Mystery Cruise, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan, Denver
11/07	Saturday	8am-3pm	Veteran's Day Parade, Longmont, CO
11/14	Saturday	9am-noon	November BOD, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan, Denver
11/15	SUNDAY	TBD	Go Kart Racing, Littleton, CO
12/05	Saturday	9am-noon	December BOD, Lookin Good Restaurant, 66 Sheridan, Denver
12/13	SUNDAY	11am-3pm	Holiday Brunch, Mt. Vernon Country Club, Golden

SECRETARY REPORT

Sheri Muehlbauer

To read copies of minutes from the Board of Directors meetings and Member Meetings, contact the secretary at 720-841-4163 or smuehlbauer@msn.com for a copy.

2021 Dues WERE due by July 1, 2020 See website for Duzrdue form!!!!

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Cecelia Merritt

Please join me in welcoming our newest members!

Greg & Kay Horn from Aurora, CO. Greg & Kay have a 2005 triple black Retro Thunderbird and found us through the Mecum auction. We sure missed the auction this year but hopefully we will be driving for them again next year. Welcome Greg & Kay!

Ron & DiLynn Ardia from Littleton, CO. Ron & DiLynn have a 1982 white Town Landau Thunderbird and saw us at the car show at Reinke Bothers. Let's all hope we can gather again this year for the annual Pumpkin Follies. Welcome Ron & DiLynn!

Eric & Diana Bernauer from Pueblo, CO. Eric & Diana have a 1966 convertible, white exterior with dark blue interior. They found our club via an internet search so again this shows how vital our internet presence is to the success of the club. Welcome Eric & Diana!

If you have not sent in your annual dues you are now past due. If you get your newsletter mailed to you PLEASE check your label for the date in the upper right hand corner. If it says 6/20 you have not renewed your dues. We have begun having some activities again and hope to increase planned events as they become available. It was great to see so many of you at the picnic and we look forward to seeing everyone in the very near future. Dues are \$20 for e-mailed newsletters and \$25 for mailed newsletters. If you have a question whether your dues are due please contact me. A Duzerdue form was included in the previous months newsletters so please fill it out and send it in with your renewal.

Please keep us up-to-date with your e-mail addresses. Even if you get your newsletter mailed to you, throughout the year we need to notify members of things happening within our club that can't make the newsletter so we send out e-mail blasts with this information so please remember to notify us of any changes in your address or e-mail address.

Don't forget to wear your name tag at all club events. If you don't have a name tag, want to switch from a pin closure to a magnetic closure, or just want the updated name tag style, please call me and I'll order one for you. There is a **\$12.50 charge** for each name tag.

COLORADO COLLECTOR CAR COUNCIL

Ernie Tangye

CCC called a meeting on July 1, 2020 at the ColoRODans in Longmont. Attendance was 13 member clubs which is not a quorum. No official business could be completed.

The treasure reported that CCCC has a current balance of \$29,609 with no income projected for the remainder of 2020. With Cruiz'n Havana and airport show cancelled for 2020, there have been serious consequences to the CCCC budget. A deficit of about \$9000 is projected for 2020.

Spammers and Scammers are still requesting funds supposedly from a CCCC officer. THESE ARE FRAUDS so do not respond.

The Sabers' Tri State Auto Show has been rescheduled for 10/31-11/1 at the National Western Complex in Denver. SEMA is still planning to hold the Los Vegas event in November 2020. There have been few requests for passes through CCCC. Applications for passes will continue to be accepted through August. Contact is John Ehrlich, 8753 Dover Circle, Aurora, CO 80005.

No CCCC meetings will be held before October.

AUGUST EVENTS

Car Show!!! Sunday, August 2, 2020 9AM-2PM

The Chenango neighborhood in Centennial (east of Parker Road south of Arapahoe Rd) hosts a large car show each year, that attracts over 200 vehicles including classics, trucks, and motorcycles from around the state. It is held in the Common area field! There is food available for purchase with a new caterer this year and a DJ for entertainment. See website to register: chenangohoa.com. Contact Debbie Spickard for more details: 303-877-6615



Join us for our 2nd annual

\$10 entry fee will be donated to MS Society



FRESH BBQ • PANCAKE BREAKFAST

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Meet fellow TBirders at SW corner of Broadway & Belleview (near Wendy's) by 7:30 to caravan about 4 blocks to show site. **TO HELP CCC PLAN ENOUGH SPACE FOR CLUB CARS, PLEASE contact Bob Oursler 303 344 0254 BY 8/20 IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND!**

**MYSTERY CRUISE
AUGUST 22, 2020**
Meet RMTTC Cruisers at Lookin Good Restaurant, 1st and Sheridan, at 8AM for breakfast. Drivers meeting at 8:45 am in the Parking Lot to get your directions and head out on an adventure to ?????? **THIS CRUISE WILL HAPPEN!!!!**
Contact Don Reinke II for more info.



UPCOMING EVENTS

WATCH FOR EMAIL UPDATES ON WHETHER THESE EVENTS ARE HAPPENING!!!!

SUNDAY, SEPT 6, 2020

10am-2pm

EASTMAN PARK WINDSOR, CO

Contact Bob Harris 970-381-4888 for more info

2 meeting spots for RMTc members:

Metro folks: McDonald's at 58th & Washington 7 am

Northern Members: meet at Water Valley at 9am

Some folks may want to pack a lunch to bring along. There will be food trucks on site.

Labor Day Parade & Member Meeting

September 7, 2020

Louisville, CO

8:30am

Cars should meet at 707 E. South Boulder Rd (cross street is Centennial Dr) TBirds will meet on the south side of the parking lot in front of Walgreens. At 9:00am, RMTc will leave this location to line up for the parade, so be on time!! Following the parade, cars will head into Louisville for lunch at Carrabba's Italian Grill 575 McCaslin Blvd, Louisville, CO 80027

ALL FORD DAY

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

7:30am-3pm

SHERIDAN HIGH SCHOOL 3201 W. Oxford Ave, Denver

Meet at 7 am for breakfast at McDonalds on Belleview and Prince. Cars will leave at 7:30 to caravan over to the school to park.

Reservation forms were emailed earlier. ????: Contact Don Reinke at 303-589-2232

MYSTERY CRUISE

September 26, 2020

Meet at Lookin Good Restaurant at 8:00 for breakfast (1st and Sheridan). Drivers meeting at 8:45 am in the Lookin Good Parking lot. The yearly leaf peeping jaunt!

?????: Don Reinke II for more info. Hope you join us.

SPECIALITY AUTO AUCTION

SEPTEMBER 12, 2020

8am-6pm

RMTc needs 20-25 Drivers Larimer County Fairgrounds Loveland, CO

Contact Jim Merritt to help out

THUNDERWORD PAST EVENTS

More event photos at [RMTC FLICKR site](#)



**June 27, Mystery Cruise
Colorado Cherry Company
17 T-Birds
2 Wanna bes
33 members**



**2020 JOHN SAYLOR RECIPIENT:
ERNIE TANGYE**

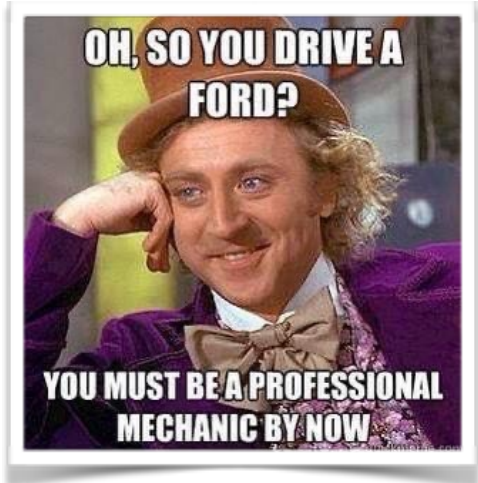


**RMTC
July 18, 2020
PICNIC**



BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD)

August 1, 2020
9am-noon
Barb's House
Englewood, CO



WOW, August already and very few times to cruise our beauties. This has been a very STRANGE year. Hopefully you will join in on some of the fun remaining events planned for 2020. Everyone stay safe and healthy!!!

BITS FROM BARB



RMTC GOOD THOUGHTS TO:

- Woody Linwood with continued health issues
- Cristy Caswell with ongoing health issues
- Jane Wooten with upcoming surgery

RMTC SYMPATHY TO:

- family of Mona Nielson who passed 5/26/2020

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Laurie Sarno



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RMTC LOGO sweatshirts will be premiered at picnic!



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Check your latest edition of the VTCI **THUNDERBIRD SCOOP** magazine for more information on VTCI events.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM SW REGIONAL VTCI DIRECTOR: After being in the position as the VTCI SW Regional Director for the past decade, I've decided to step down as the SW VTCI Regional Director. It's time for other VTCI members to take over the position. So, if you or someone you know is interested please have them refer to the latest edition of the VTCI Scoop to review the nomination process and review the task responsibilities with the position. I'm also available to address anyone's questions. Jim Merritt



The RMTB BOD met for the first time since March on July 11. Here they are practicing social distancing in Barb's backyard!!!

FOR SALE: 63 T-Bird Hardtop with factory 3 Duece Holly Carbs. One of 30 cars built with this option on hardtop. 100K miles, Silver mink with red interior, one owner car. 100,000 mi Call

FOR SALE: 55 T-Bird with both tops, 6 volt, Red/White top, Red/White Interior (1 repaint), automatic, power steering, Correct white walls, chrome dress up kit, Good driver, runs well \$25,000 OBO call Ron Theisman 719-471-1887

3/20

FOR SALE: 62 SPORTS ROADSTER This is a true Roadster with a ton of original and spare parts. Hydraulics all new for the top. 81,000 original miles. Spent many years in a museum. Body in great shape with no rust EVER!. Transmission rebuilt recently. Definitely a true head turner. Contact RMTC member Bill Peasley in Cheyenne Wyoming at 307-630 8440 for pictures and more information.

FOR SALE: 1956 BLACK FORD THUNDERBIRD with REMOVABLE WHITE HARDTOP Original paint. Current Millage 88,700 Purchased in 2011 (third owner) Automatic Continental Kit New: Upholstered Seats, Carpeting, Shocks, Gas Tank, Brakes, Cylinders, Fuel Pump, Water Pump, Carburetor and Battery. If interested, please call Richard at (303) 451-8096 and leave a message with a return number.

04/20

For Sale: 1982 Lincoln Signature Classic, 4 door, black/gray color, V8-auto, one owner, 62K mi, A1 condition, all factory options, Runs & rides great. \$11,000. Contact Gene Doty (Ft. Morgan), 970-380-5294, evdoty@hotmail.com



06/2020

FOR SALE: 1985 Ford Thunderbird 30th Anniversary edition with 36k miles, 5.0L V8, auto trans, two sets of rims and tires (custom and original) from the estate of John Phifer. Car is located in Thornton CO. Contact Travis Phifer tphifer56@yahoo.com 720-753-2040 for more info/photos

05/2020

RMTC members for sale ad remain free or \$10.00 with a Black & White picture. Non-Member ads are available for \$5.00 per month or \$20.00 a month with Black and White pictures. All ads will run for 3 months in both the Thunderword and online at WWW.RMTBIRDS.COM. They then will be deleted unless editor is notified. To post, write details of item with contact information and check for full amount to "RMTC". Then mail to RMTC PO Box 620284 Littleton, CO 80162-0284. Questions? Call either Jim Merritt at 303-683-3117 or Barb at 303-770-5799 ThunderwordRMTC@gmail.com


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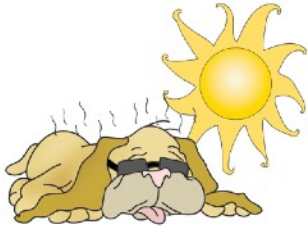
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