



# Paw Prints

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **2010 Uprising: The RESULTS!**
- **Get Back To Mid-Ohio!**

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## A Letter from the Editor

We've all got our reasons for being a part of this club. I would venture to guess that many of our reasons are similar. But there's always one reason in particular that is either the most important or the biggest reason over all the others. For me, that reason is the fine people that make up this club.

I think back to the days before I was actually a member of this club and how each and every one of you I met over the course of those years, made me feel like I was a part of you and wanted me to actually be a part; even without a Pontiac.

Now that I am actually part of it and proudly call it mine, I'm happy to help any one and do anything I can

for it go carry forward that comradery.

That's why when I think of one of the most important things I can do for my club, I think of recruiting new members. Especially young members.

I've spoken to a few people this past month, encouraging them to look at and join our club.

I'm working on this one young man who owns a 66 tribute car. It's a beautiful car; one I know because I knew the previous owner who converted it to a GTO. He's young, but enthusiastic about his car and Pontiacs both of which were passed down by his father.

His biggest worry continues to be

that because his car is not a true GTO, that he wouldn't fit into the club as well.

I hope my story owning a Cougar before my GTO and how welcomed I was by this club as well as my the people in this club coax him to joining.

So don't forget to proudly recruit new members. It's what will keep our beloved club alive over many more years to come.

Good luck to everyone headed out to the POCI Nationals and I hope to see a lot of you at the coming events.

—Kevin



# 2010 Indian Uprising—June 13, 2010

Early Sunday morning, June 13, the roads were still wet from the day before and night's rain. The skies looked clear, but the weather man was calling for rain later in the day. That didn't stop a group from firing up those GTOs, getting into the cars and heading out to Tee Jay's for an early breakfast then over to Haydocy to set up for the 2010 GTOACO Indian Uprising.

The skies threatened a number of times, but the rain never fell. While that uncertain weather kept a lot of participants away, once it was clear that there wouldn't be any rain that day, a few more participants came through.

Thanks to the Ohio Valley GTO Association for driving up from Cincinnati for the show despite the weather. All in all, it was a good show.

More pictures and the results are posted on the club's website. The next couple pages have the results for the classes that had entrants. Thanks to all that came early and stayed late to help setup and tear down for a great time and a successful show!



**Jim's car is FINALLY together and it's a GREAT ONE! ;)**



**Please, please don't rain!**

**Hey! We got the sign up**



**Mike was happy to spin the tunes...**



# 2010 Indian Uprising Results

BEST OF SHOW	
BOB & ANNA DRANSMAN	1968 ALEUTIAN BLUE GTO CONVERTIBLE

BEST GTO	
KEITH CARTER	1965 RED GTO HARDTOP

BEST PONTIAC	
DAVID RISNER	1969 CASTILIAN BRONZE GRAND PRIX

BEST FIREBIRD	
DAN MEGINNIS	2001 PEWTER FIREHAWK

2009 WINNERS CIRCLE		
BEST OF SHOW	BILL WESTFALL	1964 RED GTO HARDTOP
BEST GTO	DANNY JONES	1967 GOLD GTO HARDTOP
BEST FIREBIRD	DAN KIRCHNER	1969 CAMEO WHITE FIREBIRD CONVERTIBLE
BEST PONTIAC	DAVE CAMPBELL	1965 RED LEMANS CONVERTIBLE

CLASS B - 1968-1974 STOCK GTO		
3 <sup>RD</sup>	AL & BARB LEIBY	1971 BLACK / GOLD GTO HARDTOP
2 <sup>ND</sup>	ALBERT KUBE	1970 SIERRA YELLOW GTO HARDTOP
1 <sup>ST</sup>	MIKE KELLEY	1969 BLUE GTO HARDTOP

CLASS D - 1964-1974 MODIFIED GTO		
2 <sup>ND</sup>	ROY HESS	1966 GREEN GTO HARDTOP
1 <sup>ST</sup>	BRIAN HALL	1967 GULF TURQUOISE GTO HARDTOP

CLASS E - 2004-2006 STOCK GTO		
1 <sup>ST</sup>	ROBERT PARKER	2006 GTO

CLASS F - 2004-2006 MODIFIED GTO		
2 <sup>ND</sup>	TODD SMITH	2006 BRAZEN ORANGE GTO
1 <sup>ST</sup>	CARL PALMQUIST	2004 TORRID RED GTO

CLASS G - 1967-1981 STOCK FIREBIRD		
3 <sup>RD</sup>	PETER GALUPO	1978 MARTINQUE BLUE TRANS AM
2 <sup>ND</sup>	JIM LOKAI	1969 WHITE TRANS AM
1 <sup>ST</sup>	TERRY & JULIA BARTLETT	1979 BLACK TRANS AM

CLASS H - 1982-2002 STOCK FIREBIRD		
2 <sup>ND</sup>	NEAL BLANKENSHIP	1986 RED TRANS AM
1 <sup>ST</sup>	RON AMBURGEY	1987 RED TRANS AM

CLASS L1 - 1971-1979 STOCK PONTIAC (SPLIT CLASS)		
3 <sup>RD</sup>	RUSS & JOYCE HERBOLTZ-HEIMER	1975 GRAND AM
2 <sup>ND</sup>	FRANCIS DIXON	1973 WHITE GRAND PRIX
1 <sup>ST</sup>	CAROL BENSON	1977 SILVER/GRAY LEMANS SPORT CPE.

CLASS L2 - 1980-1989 STOCK PONTIAC (SPLIT CLASS)		
2 <sup>ND</sup>	DON BLAINE	1986 RED FIERO
1 <sup>ST</sup>	BOBBIE HUMMEL	1988 BLACK FIERO

# 2010 Indian Uprising Results

CLASS M – 1990 & UP STOCK PONTIAC		
3 <sup>RD</sup>	BRENDA SCHARZ	2008 GRAY SOLSTICE
3 <sup>RD</sup>	STEVE FLEURY	1992 RED GRAND PRIX
2 <sup>ND</sup>	HARRY BAUGHMAN	2000 BLUE BONNEVILLE
1 <sup>ST</sup>	MICHAEL HOLTON	2002 BLACK GRAND PRIX GTP

CLASS N1 – 1980 & EARLIER MODIFIED PONTIAC (SPLIT CLASS)		
2 <sup>ND</sup>	TONY ALBERY	1968 BLACK LEMANS
1 <sup>ST</sup>	RON RUSH	1967 RED LEMANS

CLASS N2 – 1981 & UP MODIFIED PONTIAC (SPLIT CLASS)		
3 <sup>RD</sup>	ADAM LESTER	2006 DARK CHERRY GRAND PRIX GXP
2 <sup>ND</sup>	PATRICK SUTTON	2003 SILVER GRAND PRIX
1 <sup>ST</sup>	CHARLES CORDLE	2008 BLACK G8 GT

CLASS P - GTOACO – 1964-1967 STOCK GTO		
3 <sup>RD</sup>	RON & DONNA LANDIS	1964 RED GTO COUPE
2 <sup>ND</sup>	GEOFFREY LUDWIG	1965 MAYFAIR MAIZE GTO CONVERTIBLE
1 <sup>ST</sup>	JIM EVANS	1967 RED GTO HARDTOP

## GTOACO Class Results (popular vote)

CLASS R2 - GTOACO – 1968-1974 MODIFIED GTO (SPLIT CLASS)		
3 <sup>RD</sup>	DEB & JOE BLOCK	1968 GRAY GTO CONVERTIBLE
2 <sup>ND</sup>	RON COZZO	1968 BLACK GTO CONVERTIBLE
1 <sup>ST</sup>	JEFF FRAZIER	1968 BLUE GTO CONVERTIBLE

CLASS R1 - GTOACO – 1964-1967 MODIFIED GTO (SPLIT CLASS)		
3 <sup>RD</sup>	SHAWN RINEHART	1966 SILVER GTO HARDTOP
2 <sup>ND</sup>	BRENT BARHAM	1967 MAROON GTO HARDTOP
1 <sup>ST</sup>	STEVE SCHAEFFER	1966 BLUE GTO HARDTOP

**Best of Show Award**  
**'68 Aleutian Blue Ragtop**



**Thanks to the OVGTOA Club for coming up!**

# A Great One at Mid-Ohio

by Bill Sigg

Several GTOACO members and their families, as well as numerous members from Ohio Valley GTO Association and the Buckeye Goats participated in the "Back To Mid-Ohio" event on June 19<sup>th</sup>. Lance Hudnell and his wife did a fabulous job of organizing the event through The Humbler.net website. Lance got discounted tickets, paddock passes, great parking for anyone who brought their cars with the group and a parade lap around the track!

A total of 26 GTOs and other Pontiacs filled the car corral which was right next to the paddock where the race teams were preparing their cars for the two featured races of the day: The Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge Race and The GRAND-AM Rolex Sports Car Series Race. We were not able to see the GTO-R team from Matt Connolly Motorsports compete because that team did not make it to Mid-Ohio, but there was plenty to see and do as the early morning sprinkles gave way to sunny blue skies and a steady pleasant breeze.

Stan and Pam Farlow's Nightwatch Blue '65 Convertible and Bill and Adam Sigg's blue '67 Hardtop were the only vintage GTOs present, along with many '04-'06 GTOs, they all received a very large share of the attention and favorable comments from the many race fans who came through the area.

One of the biggest highlights of the day was the opportunity we had to take our GTOs out for the parade lap on the 2.25 mile, 13 turn road course at Mid-Ohio. Somehow, our one parade lap turned into two, which just doubled the fun. The '04-'06 GTOs handled the twists and turns of the course much better than the cars from the '60s, but, once again, the '65 and '67 GTOs were the subject of many pointed fingers and "Look at that!" comments from the spectators.

After our parade lap, a drawing was held for the large number of prizes, products and pieces of race memorabilia which were given away. Thanks to all of the vendors who donated items, and to Lance and his wife for their terrific job of organizing. It was the kind of day that left everyone with an ear-to-ear grin all the way home.



## Transformation Part 2

by Steve Schaeffer

I converted two 64 to 66 GM A-bodies from Turbine 300 2 speed automatic transmissions to Turbo 400 3 speed automatic transmissions. I purchased shifter conversion kits from the Shiftworks. This allowed me to use the original console mounted shifter with the new transmissions. Both cars run and drive great.

When you put the shifter in low, the trans stays in low until you manually shift it. If you put the selector lever in low 2 or super, it will start in low and shift to low 2-super. It will not shift out of 2<sup>nd</sup> gear until you shift to drive.

Both cars have a lot more performance and are very enjoyable to drive. However I ran into one small problem.

I used short tail 400 transmissions originally out of '77-'79 Cadillacs. It seems that in drive at full throttle these transmissions shift out of low or passing gear at 3800 RPM instead of 5000 RPM. This costs you a ton of performance. However there is an easy cure for this problem; recalibrate the transmissions governor.

I went to Jegs and purchased two B and M transmission governor recalibration kits. The part number is 20248 and the cost was \$43.99. These kits contain an assortment of weights and springs along with the other necessary parts and gaskets. This kit only changes the RPM where the transmission shifts. It will not change how hard the transmission hits each gear. That can only be done with valve body changes.

The governor is on the right side of the Turbo 400 trans near the rear. To remove it, remove four ½ inch bolts and the cover. The governor assembly will slide right out. Use a drain pan because you will loose some fluid. Just look out for hot fluid and hot exhaust pipes.

I read the directions and called the B and M tech line, at 818-882-6422. No one could tell me which weights and springs to use and what RPM the trans would shift at. They said it was a matter of experimenting. They suggested that I use the no. 3 and no. 4 weights and springs.

I took the governor out and modified it following the directions. I installed the no. 3 and no. 4 weights but used the original springs. I refilled the trans with fluid and went for a test drive.

This one change made a dramatic difference. Leaving the car in drive it now shifts at 4,800 rpm at full throttle. It did not change the normal part throttle shift points. Both cars feel like they went from low 15 second quarter mile machines to low 14 second or even high 13 second cars. The only modifications were installing the Turbo 400 transmissions and the Pypes exhaust systems.

Desk Top Dyno 5 predicts a half second improvement in the ¼ mile for a 66GTO with just the transmission change.

*“...both cars went from low 15 to high 13 second cars...”*

## Parts For Sale or Wanted

- ◆ *Send in your wanted or for sale items. GTOACO members ads are free!*

# Tiger Bites! - Noteworthy News Bites

- ◆ **Bill Hartley would like to let everyone know that any and all GTO club members are invited to come to the reception (celebration) after he and Twila are married July 24th.** It will be at the Cassel Station Fire Hall between New Concord and Cambridge. It's on 4500 Peters Creek Road (just off SR 40) at 7:00. There will be balloons on the corner. We do need a count in order to have enough food, and we request no gifts please. Besides the ones club members would bring would probably be embarrassing. :)
- ◆ If Donna has your e-mail address she will be e-mailing you on the month that your club dues are due.
- ◆ We will be making an effort to complete the club roster including email addresses. Look for an email or letter from Ron Cozzo.
- ◆ Don't forget to get signed up at our web site so you can get information on weekly cruise and car shows. You can also get an electronic copy of the Paw Prints all the way back to November 2008. ***If you are an Internet Explorer user, update to version 8 to resolve a login issue where it looks as if you cannot login even after registering.***
- ◆ ***Look in the Local Forum on the club web site for show listings. Kevin Russo regularly posts an update usually weekly.***

## Welcome to Our New Members!

- ◆ ***No new members this month.***

# Meeting Minutes, June 9, 2010

President Jim Evans called the meeting to order. Those in attendance were Jeff Frazier, Kevin Russo, Ron Cozzo, Joe Block, Larry Reeb, Sonny Block, Shawn & Kim Rinehart, Brenda & Cody Ferguson, Bill Sigg, Bill Hartley, Twila Brill, Keith Stevens, Dan Gregory, Stan & Pam Farlow, Brent Barham, Jim Lowry, Ron & Donna Landis, Mike Shockley and Kevin Landis

**Treasurers Report:** Mike Shockley gave the Treasurer's report. Jim gave the PNC Bank Report. Any question contact Mike or Jim.

**POCI Nationals:** It looks like everyone is going at different times. Those who said they were going are Larry Reeb, Shawn Rinehart, Bill Hartley, Stan Farlow, Jim Evans and Joe Block.

**Drag Day:** September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Got the Insurance. \$30.00 entry fee. Unlimited times down the track.

**GTOACO Summer Show:** June 13, 2010 at Haydocy Automotive. Everything is in place. Jim has received 15 pre-registrations. Weather is looking a bit iffy. Hot with a chance of rain. All 4 previous winners are coming back. Awards are ordered, Food Vendor is ready, Cheryl (Jims sister) will be handling the registration desk, Jeff Inskeep has his stuff ready for tabulation. Mike Shockley will be the DJ for the day. Registration opens at 8:00AM. Members are urged to come early stay all day and stay for clean up.

**Mid-Ohio June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010:** Meet at 7:30AM on 23 at Long John Silvers.

**Cincinnati Show:** June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Meeting place at State Route 38 and I 71 at 8:30AM. Those who are going are Jim Evans, Brenda Ferguson, Ron Cozzo, Dan Gregory.

**July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010:** Bill Hartley and Twila Brill will be getting married. There will be a huge reception. Congratulations to both of you.

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion made by Ron Cozzo, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin Landis

Submitted by Donna Landis, Secretary

*Meetings held  
the 2nd  
Wednesday  
each month at  
Haydocy  
Automotive on  
W. Broad St.  
Columbus, OH*





# Calendar of Events

- July 14, 2010      Regular Meeting at Haydocy Automotive 7:PM
- Back to the old eating-place.** To eat before the meeting be at Rooster's anytime after 5:00PM. Roosters is located in the parking lot in front of the strip mall across the street from Jeg's.
- July 1 - 4, 2010      2010 GTOAA Nationals Wichita, KS
- July 6 - 10, 2010      2010 POCI Nationals West Chester, WV
- July 9 - 10, 2010      2010 Arthritis Foundation Show Dublin, OH—Look for an email for meeting place and show spot
- July 9 - 11, 2010      2010 Good Guys Nationals Ohio Fairgrounds Columbus, OH
- July 24, 2010      Delaware's Blast from the Past. Meet at Bob Evans on 23 south. Time to be set at club mtg
- July 31, 2010      Car Show at the Napa Warehouse on 161 just east of Sawmill Rd.

## JULY 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 2010 GTOAA Nationals 7/1—7/4 Wichita, KS	3
4	5	6	7 2010 POCI Nationals 7/6—7/10 West Chester, WV	8	9	10 2010 GoodGuys 2010 Arthritis Show
11 2010 Good-Guys	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Blast from the Past
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Napa Show Napa Whs Lot

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You can join the National GTO organization, the GTOAA & receive the Golden Quill Award Winning publication, The Legend.  
To Join complete the form below and mail in, or join online at

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**Membership Application**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mem #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*GTO Ownership is not a requirement of membership to the GTOAA*

**GTO OWNERSHIP**

Year \_\_\_\_ Body Style \_\_\_\_\_ Engine \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_ Body Style \_\_\_\_\_ Engine \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_ Body Style \_\_\_\_\_ Engine \_\_\_\_\_

*I agree that, if elected to membership, I will conform to all rules of the Association and conduct myself in the manner that promotes the goals and purposes of the Organization.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DUES:**

*\$35.00/year for members in the USA, \$40.00USD/year for Canadian members, and \$50.00USD/year for all other international members. \$5.00 for associate memberships in the same family name (includes membership card, decal, and membership listing). There is a \$2.00 bank processing fee for applications paid by credit card.*

CHECK / MO # \_\_\_\_\_

Mastercard / Visa Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp # \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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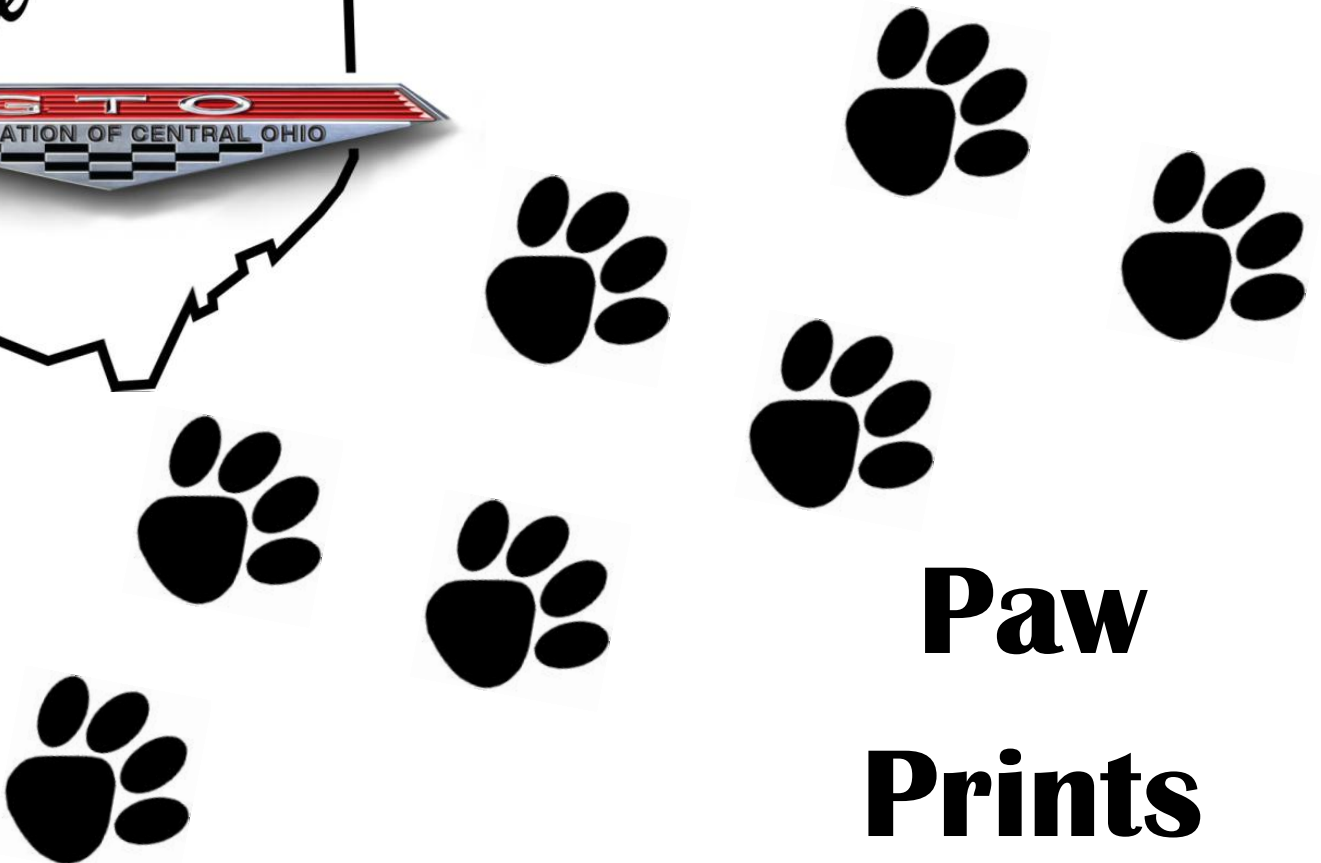
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