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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Pontiac 421 Complete!

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## A Letter from the Editor

the 2012 Memorial Day Weekend! This is the weekend many consider to be the official kickoff for summer (even though summer doesn't really start until June 21).

I hope you've all had a chance to get your GTOs out and prowling. I haven't seen many of the usual suspects out and about yet but I hope to see more of you as the car season starts into it's stride.

I hope to be out with my GTO soon. As a short and quick update, the 68 YS 400 is now in the car! I've got to finish bolting it all together and then get it

I write this piece for you during running. I have to pass along many, many thanks to my good friend and a club patron Ron Cozzo for all his help in this project. I'm so close I can almost hear the roar of those Pontiac horses!

> I will do a story on this project once it's complete.

There's much going on, or maybe I should say "going wrong" with our second annual Summer Night Cruise. Once again, we are having hotel issues. The last suggestion is to see if SafeAuto, a major sponsor, will allow us to have the two day show on Saturday and Sunday at their offices at Easton.

If this doesn't work, I think we'll be forced to only have our annual All Pontiac Indian Uprising back at Haydocy. See inside for additional information. Or come to the next meeting.

Anyone else that was inspired by Keith's Member Spotlight, please let me know. I'll get you in as soon as the next issue of your Paw Prints.

Get involved with your club! It's as rewarding for you as it is for the club! Trust me.

I hope to see all of you soon and be safe!

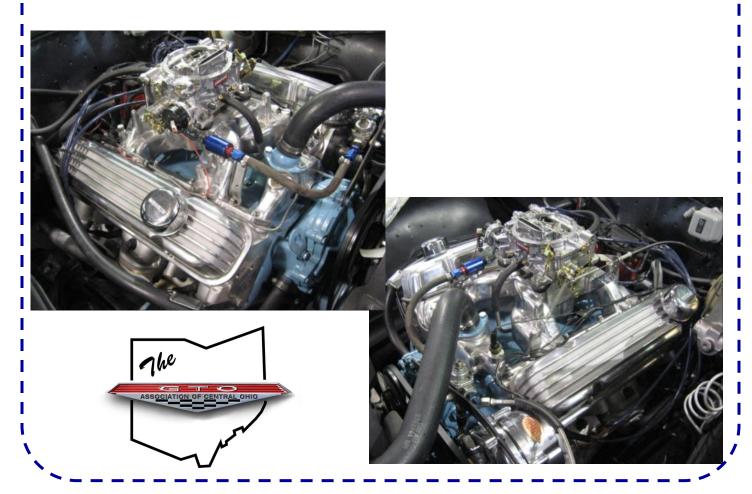
—Kevin



# Project Pontiac 421 Engine By Steve Schaeffer

I finally finished my Pontiac 421 engine project. The engine is installed in my blue 4 speed '66 GTO. It is strong enough to throw an unsuspecting passenger into the back seat! The new Comp Thumper camshaft makes it sound awesome. The combination of heads, cam, intake, carb, compression, and exhaust worked perfectly.

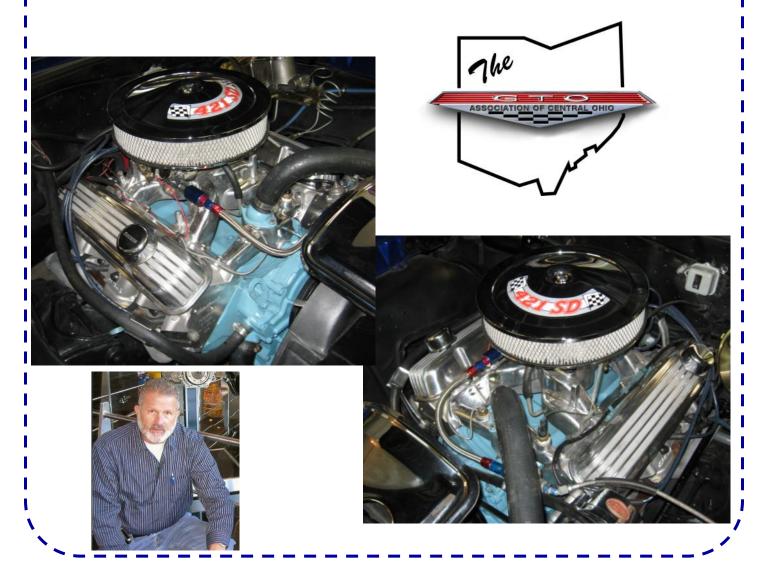
The finished product according to Desk Top Dyno V makes 511 horsepower and 558 foot pounds of torque. Remember this is a street engine not a race car. The 421 4 bolt main block is bored .060 oversize. The finished engine is 434 cubic inches. I am using .030 over 428 pistons. I am also using early Pontiac forged connecting rods that have been reconditioned. All the internal parts of the engine were balanced. The Edelbrock 87cc aluminum heads flow 250 CFM right out of the box. In Engine Rebuilder Magazine, Rodney Butler says the Edelbrock "D" port heads are flowing between 260 to 270 CFM. The stock heads flowed 208 CFM. Since an engine is really a giant air pump you can see were the power is coming from. A good rule of thumb is if you double the CFM that the intake valves flow, that is the horsepower potential of the engine normally aspirated.



# 'Project Pontiac 421 Engine cont. By Steve Schaeffer

I used Comp Cam 51-600-5. Comp rates this cam as high performance street. The RPM range is 2000 to 5800 with a choppy/thumping idle. The specs are 279 degrees duration on the intakes and 297 degrees on the exhausts. At .050 duration the specs are 227 and 241. Lift is .478 on the intakes and .465 on the exhausts. The cam was installed straight up because it is already ground 4 degrees advanced for more low end.

The rest of the pieces are a Professional Products 180 degree polished intake manifold. An Edelbrock 750 CFM carb. Then I used Hooker Comp Headers, a Flow Cooler Brass Works water pump, and an HEI distributor. The intake, distributor, and finned aluminum valve covers are all from Pacific Performance. It turned out to be a very sweet package.



# Tiger Bites! - Noteworthy News Bites

- See the meeting minutes about issues with our Summer Night Cruise-In and Annual Indian Uprising Pontiac show. Hopefully, it'll work out perhaps at the SafeAuto building in Easton.
- ◆ The SEMA Action Network (SAN) set July 13 (We can celebrate it at our Summer Night Cruise In) as Collector Car Appreciation Day. See www.semasan.com for more info. We are all encouraged to commemorate the day by taking out our cars. I'm sure we'll be out in force
- 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 or newer to resolve a login issue where it looks as if you cannot login even after registering.
- If you need to renew or are thinking of renewing your GTOAA membership, please do so ASAP to ensure our club remains a valid GTOAA chapter with all the benefits of that status. There is an is an application in your Paw Prints below and the GTOAA can now take membership applications on line.
- The plan for a spring cruise has changed. Lonnie is trying to plan a progressive meal cruise with various stops for various courses (Salad/Appetizers, main course, dessert) See the meeting minutes for more information.



## **Welcome New Members!**

No New Members this month

# For Sale

 For Sale! A TON of miscellaneous 1964—1969 GTO parts and some Pontiac Sales Literature for many years. See the club web site, in the Forum section in the For Sale Forum for the entire list and contact information (<a href="http://www.gtoaco.com/forum/index.php">http://www.gtoaco.com/forum/index.php</a>) CALL 440 254-4642 or email me (patandgreg2011@hotmail.com)

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## Meeting Minutes, May 9, 2012

President Jim Evans called the meeting to order. Those in attendance were Ron Landis & Donna Landis, Ron Cozzo, Jim Lowry, Max Treier, Bill Hartley, Shawn & Kim Rinehart, Brenda & Cody Ferguson, Bill Sigg, Lonnie McLaughlin, Brent Barham, Jeff Frazier, Kevin Russo, and Kevin Landis.

Treasurers Report: Mike Shockley was not at the meeting to give the Treasurer's report.

Summer Car Show and Cruise In 2012: July 13th and 14th.???? Kevin Landis didn't have very good news. The hotel has since been sold and they are not being very cooperative. He has a lot of hours in this and doesn't see that show happening at this location. Suggestions were to just have the all Pontiac Show back at Haydocy. One suggestion was to have it at the corporate office of Safe Auto. Kevin will try Tom Boyd at SafeAuto to see if this would be possible. We would need a food vendor which would be no problem. If things don't work out with Safe Auto then hopefully the Pontiac Show can be at Haydocy. This would have to be on a Sunday since they are opened on Saturday.

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

Earth Angel Super Cruise-In: June 16th. They are needing volunteers to work the gate. Brenda Ferguson and Jim Evans said they might help. The club will once again sponsor a full page add in the program. Cost of \$350.00

Club Shirts: The inventory of club shirts is down. Donna will get some more t-shirt type shirts. Also, she will get some for the ladies.

Cruise: Lonnie Mclaughlin is wanting to put together a progressive cruise. One stop would have the salad, another stop main dish, one stop desert. Hopefully Lonnie will head this up so everyone keep your ears open.

Next Meeting: June 13th, 2012.

Continuous prayers to Jack & Leah Ferron, Joe & Renda Bennett

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made by Lonnie McLaughlin, 2nd by Kevin Russo

Submitted by Donna Landis, Secretary

## **Calendar of Events**

June 13, 2012	<b>Regular Meeting 7pm</b> @ <b>Haydocy Automotive</b> To eat before the meeting be at Rooster's on West Broad St. anytime after 5:00PM. Roosters is located in the parking lot in front of the strip mall across the street from Jeg's former Broad St location.
June 9,, 2012	Graffiti Cruise XVI Custom Classic Car Show Downtown Bucyrus 2pm—12am Awards @ 9:30pm.
June 14-16, 2012	Pypes and Performance Years Open House Hatfield, PA. See the flyer on the next page.
June 23, 2012	27th Annual Cars In the Park Westgate Park in conjuction with the Hiltop Bean Dinner. Reg 9am-1pm \$10 day of show
June 23-24, 2012	2nd Annual Spring Nostalgia Nationals @ National Trails Raceway  Don't know if this year's show will be any better than last years experience Steve and Jim had.
June 30, 2012	The Great Race Cruise-In and Car Show

The Great Race makes their stop in Findlay, OH on Friday, 6/30/12.

www.visitfindlay.com

#### June 2012 Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat 1 2 5 6 7 8 9 3 4 Graffiti Cruise XVI In Bucyrus 11 12 15 10 13 14 16 Club Meeting 7pm Pypes and Performance Years Open House @Haydocy See flyer next page 18 21 17 19 20 22 23 Spring Nostalgia Nationals & Cars In The Park 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 Spring Nostalgia Great Race comes Nationals to Findlay



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