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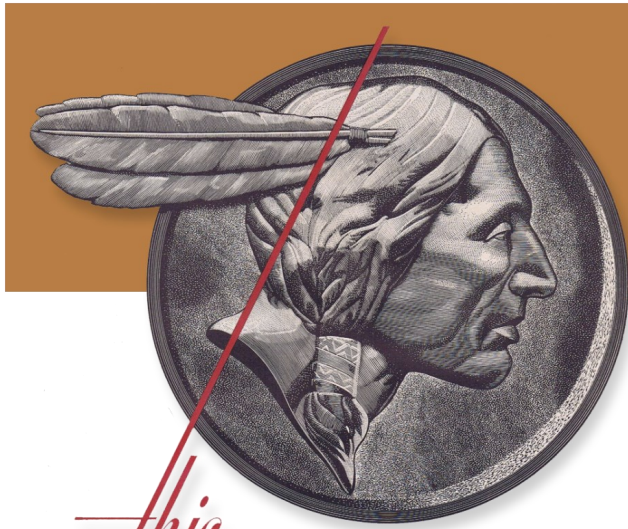
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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

This past month has been absolutely crazy with the nationals and all of the cruise-ins and car shows in and around town. There's no denying that the season is in full swing and that it looks and feels entirely different than last year to say the least.

I want to give a shout out to Steve Shaeffer for writing a recap of the Goodguys Summit Nationals event and for sharing his photos with us in this month's issue. Bill Sigg, thank you as well for sending a few pics from individual shows my way, I'll be working on incorporating those into next month's issue.

I also want to thank Ron Cozzo for doing a short recap of the nationals. He and his wife Linda attended and competed with their '66 LeMans along with members Dan Bridenbaugh and Bill and Karen Sigg both competing with their '06 GTO's as well.

Despite some sheared brake wires on his trailer near Joliet, Illinois, Ron notes that his very own mobile trailer wiring repair service along with a margarita to soothe the nerves had them back on the road in no time! Ron notes that the resort was nice, and that the venue was very large which allowed Concours cars to be located both upstairs and down. The downstairs room was larger but a bit difficult to locate. Trailer parking was .3 miles from the hotel and was vast with plenty of space, but transportation back and forth was non-existent. The outdoor lot for popular vote, original owners, etc. was accommodating as well although not visible from the hotel which was a downside as was the mid-week rain. However, it was cool and dry for popular vote day which rounded out the event...and yes, Ron said that he also broke a leaf spring on the trailer heading home...now where's a damn margarita when you need one?

Hope everyone is having a great summer and if you're not already familiar with Car Show Talk, you should be. Check out page 20 for more details. The website is a must visit and a great resource for finding Central Ohio car shows and cruise-ins.

Karen

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Ron Cozzo's '66 LeMans
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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Brad Blackburn

It is hard to believe that as I am writing this the 4th of July is in our rear-view mirror! I hope you and your families had a great holiday and you have had an opportunity to get your beloved Pontiac(s) out for some fun summertime activities.

The pandemic has had a big impact on clubs like ours and while we certainly had to adapt with things like virtual monthly meetings and reduced in person activities, we seem to have survived in strong fashion. Our July club meeting was the best attended meeting we have had in a long time! We had 13 members present for dinner and several more that joined us for the meeting! This was not only a great sign for the club, but I am sure a welcome improvement for our gracious host, The Hickory House. Financially the club is still in very good shape, by the time you are reading this, the 6th Annual Battle of The Brands will be in the books and will have hopefully added to our financial strength and funds to make our 2022 charity donation. Let's see if we can't increase the numbers at our August 11th meeting!

The GTOAA Nationals were held in early July and the reports from our members that attended were very positive. CONGRATULATIONS are in order for three GTOACO members who had cars present. Ron Cozzo, Concours Gold Award for his 1966 LeMans, Dan Bridenbaugh, Concours Gold Award for his 2006 GTO and Bill Sigg, 2nd Place Popular Vote Award with his 2006 GTO! Thanks to all for doing such a great job of representing our club.

Our next big club event will be our 37th Annual All Pontiac Indian Uprising Show on September 5th at Quaker Steak & Lube Polaris. As with all our events we need as many volunteers as possible, there is no such thing as too much help! Since this is a judged show, not only do we need folks to help direct traffic as the cars enter, help man our club table, help with registration and vote tabulation, but we also need judges. If you can help with any of the above functions, please join us at the August meeting and sign up.

Mark your calendars for the club picnic which will be held on Saturday September 18th at Stan & Pam Farlow's house...stay tuned for more details coming soon!

Thanks,

The GTOACO was founded in 1984 by a group of GTO Enthusiasts in the Central OH Region. The club name was slated to be the Goat Owners of Columbus but by popular vote at our first meeting we became known as The GTO Association of Central Ohio. Becoming a chapter of the GTO Association of America in 1985, we were incredibly young and determined, hosting our first national show in 1986.

We continue to host and participate in a variety of national, regional, and local events celebrating a kind of camaraderie not easily found. We are car historians, passionately preserving, protecting, and restoring the Pontiac GTO so that future generations will never lose sight of the era that defined the raw power of the American Muscle Car!

TIGERBITES

Noteworthy New Bites

Please join us in welcoming new members Brent Penny of Sunbury, Ohio and Chris and Kathryn M^cCracken of Columbus, Ohio!

We'll be meeting in person this month at the Hickory House in Gahanna, please join us Wednesday evening, August 11th. Dinner will be available for order at 5:30 pm followed by the August meeting at 7:00 pm.

Volunteers are needed for The All Pontiac Indian Uprising Show, if you can help please contact Ron Cozzo or Kevin Russo at your earliest convenience.

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors, we wish nothing but the best to all of our GTOACO members who are celebrating August birthdays and anniversaries. We are happy to have you as part of our car club family!



Bill Sigg's 2006 GTO at the Wisconsin Dells
Photo Credit | Bill Sigg

JULY 14 • 2021 MEETING MINUTES

The July Meeting was called to order by President Brad Blackburn.

In Attendance were Members: Brad Blackburn, Kevin Russo, Lonnie McLaughlin, Rob Wilson, Ron Cozzo, Brent Barnham, Brian D'Amico, Jim Lowry, Max Treier, Joe Block, Stan and Pam Farlow, Jeff Frazier, Bill Sigg, Scott Stalnaker, and guest Chris McCracken.

Treasurer's Report – Lonnie McLaughlin read the treasurer's report. Motion to accept was made by Kevin Russo, 2nd Joe Block.

Battle of the Brands – Brian D'Amico reported that everything is on track for the show. The Sunbury Kroger, Big Walnut Grill and Jet's Pizza are still sponsoring. The show will be held on Saturday, July 24th at the Sunbury Kroger parking lot. A sign up sheet asking for volunteers was passed around.

Delaware Performance Charity Car Show – Kevin Russo reported they still need volunteers for day of show, Saturday, July 17th from 7 am to 3 pm. If you are able to help out email Kevin at krusso_sp@hotmail.com to sign up. The "Just for Fun" cruise-in is Friday night, July 16th from 5 pm to 7 pm and is free to attend.

Pontiac Tri-Power Nationals (AKA Norwalk) – are being held Friday, July 30th through Sunday, August 1st. Several members are planning to attend, Brian D'Amico, Ron Cozzo, Kevin Russo, Max Trier, and Rob Wilson.

All Pontiac Show – Kevin Russo has verified the date of Sunday, September 5th with the manager of the Quaker Steak and Lube for our All Pontiac Show.

Open Discussion – Saturday, September 18th will be the date for our yearly club picnic. Stan and Pam Farlow have graciously offered to host at their house again. Karen is asking for those that attend shows and cruise-ins to send high quality pictures to her email address and include a short description of who's car and what show it's from and a little background short story if possible.

August Meeting Location – The August meeting will be held at 7:00 pm, Wednesday evening, August 11th at the Hickory House in Gahanna. Pre-Meeting Dinner is available to order starting at 5:30 pm in the meeting room.

Motion for Adjournment – Kevin Russo, 2nd Max Trier.





Dan Bridenbaugh's 2006 GTO at the Wisconsin Dells
Photo Credit | Ron Cozzo



Ron Cozzo's 1966 LeMans at the Wisconsin Dells
Photo Credit | Ron Cozzo

AUGUST 11 • 2021 MEETING AGENDA

- **Establish Quorum**
- **Call to Order**
- **Treasurer's Report – Lonnie McLaughlin**
- **Battle of the Brands**
 - ⇒ **Wrap-Up**
- **Delaware Performance Charity Car Show Update – Kevin Russo**
- **Pontiac Nationals (AKA Norwalk)**
 - ⇒ **Wrap-Up**
- **All Pontiac Show Quaker Steak & Lube, Sunday, September 5th – Ron Cozzo**
 - ⇒ **Sign-Up • Show Details • Judging**
- **Club Picnic – Saturday, September 18th at Stan and Pam Farlow's Home**
- **Open Discussion**
- **Next Meeting – September 8th (at the Hickory House)**
- **Motion for Adjournment**

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What Club Activities are you interested in?

Thanks for Joining Us! Every Tiger has a Tale, so sit back a few minutes and let's get better acquainted. Please share a short story about yourself, your family, your occupation, or any hobbies you enjoy. Tell us how you became interested in the Pontiac GTO. Include any photographs of your GTO that you would like to share with fellow members. If your story is selected to publish in an upcoming edition of the GTOACO Paw Prints Newsletter, we'll send you a free club t-shirt!

AUGUST • CALENDAR

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Rockabilly Ruckus

Friday thru Sunday, August 06-08
For Daily Hours Check the [Website](#)

A rockabilly weekend event with live rockabilly bands. Pre 1980 show vehicles, kicker-era motorcycles. Open track for 1979 and older show vehicles and motorcycles, pinup girl contest, junior greaser contest, and much, much more. This is a family friendly event. Visit [Rockabilly Ruckus](#) for pre-sale tickets and show information.



Club Meeting

Wednesday, August 11
7:00 pm-8:00 pm

The August Meeting will be held in the meeting room at the Hickory House Restaurant located at 550 Offcenter Place in Gahanna. Please kindly notify club president, **Brad Blackburn** if you plan to attend. Pre-Meeting Dinner will be available to order promptly at 5:30 pm in the meeting room.

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Classic Auto Show & Cruise-In

Friday and Saturday, August 20-21
For Daily Hours Check the [Website](#)

Great Cars. Great Cause. Check out the 38th* Annual Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show & Cruise-In at Metro Center in Dublin, Ohio. Don't miss the Rolling Legends Tour and Cruise-In on Friday. Over 200 class trophies will be awarded on Saturday. For more information or to register [click here](#).



Crosstown Creamery Cruise-In

Saturday, August 28
5:30 pm-8:30 pm

Head on out to the diner for sweet treats and awards the fourth Saturday of the month now through September 25th. Call Crystal at 740-412-2206 or visit the [Crosstown Creamery](#) Facebook page for more information. The Creamery is located at 90 Main Street in Tarlton, OH.

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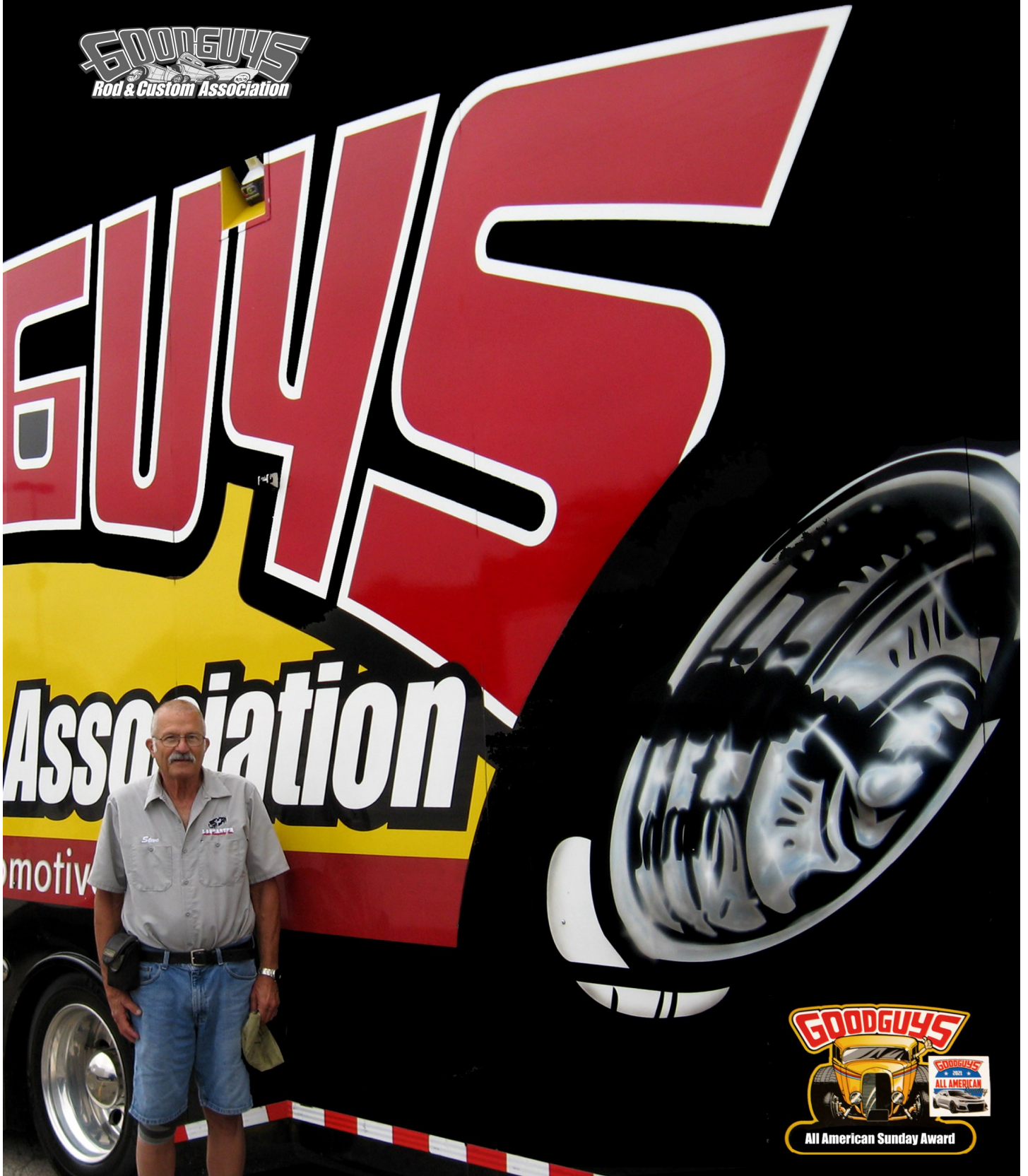


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Concours Factory Original Gold Award | 2021 GTOAA Nationals | Dan Bridenbaugh

GOODGUYS

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2021

By Steve Schaeffer

The Goodguys 23rd Annual Summit Racing Nationals Event was held this past July 9th through the 11th at the Ohio Expo Center in Columbus, Ohio. The ads said they had 6,500 cars and I know there were more than I could even begin to see.

No doubt it was one of the most active weekends of the CPP AutoCross Series with live competition of drivers squaring off against one another. Most of the participants were set up in race cars sponsored by the likes of Summit Racing amongst many others. The Nitro Thunder Fest with vintage dragsters sounded awesome. The smell from the nitro fumes was pretty unique also but I missed the Burn Out competition.

In addition, they crowned the winners of the Street Rod and Street Machine of the year with the giveaway of a designer street rod '67 Nova being the highlight of the awards ceremony on Sunday.

The Meguiar's All American Event was also held on Sunday. All American made or powered cars and trucks were welcome. I showed my Blue 421 powered '66 GTO on Friday and on Sunday I entered my Dodge Challenger Scat Pack. Some of the classes I've previously shown in were Mighty Muscle and Home Built.

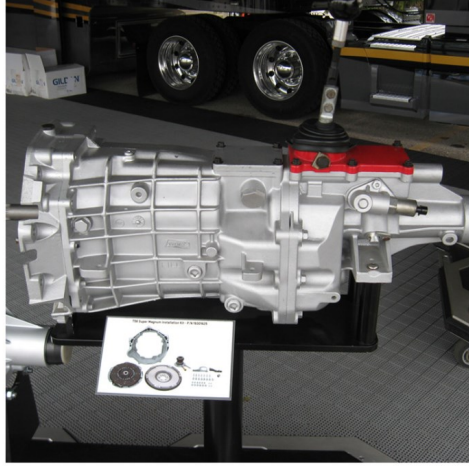
Well, I finally won at Goodguys after many years of previous competing. I was one of 7 winners in the Meguiar's All American Event on Sunday, not with one of my GTO's or my 442 that I've put plenty of blood, sweat, time and money in building, but with my Challenger! Awards were also given for best GTO Pick and one for Awesome Olds.

Check out the pictures from the show along with some of my favorite cars.

Steve

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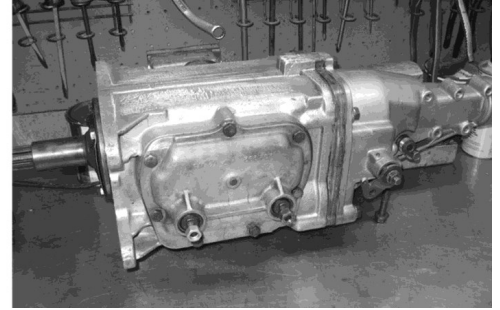
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My name is Kim Hawksworth and I've been showing cars since 2012. 2020 marked my ninth season attending car shows and cruise-ins in and around central Ohio. And the previous year, I attended 80 shows and cruise-ins from January through November.

My love for cars started in the early 1970's when I was in college. During a 2-hour break between classes, a classmate took me to his house in the south end of Columbus to show me his silver and black 1966 Corvette convertible with a 427 engine, side exhaust pipes, and a Hurst shifter. Of course, I had to go for a ride! While driving down Frebis Avenue, he decided to open up the Corvette. I had never been in a car with that much power before. I remember the Corvette throwing me back in my seat and doing this little fish-tail right down Frebis. The exhaust from those side-pipes was so loud it took a couple of hours for my hearing to return to normal. It was at that point that I

became hooked on cars.

So, how many times have you asked a buddy if a show coming up is any good? Or how many times have you been a little disappointed with the parking or the food or the door prizes, or god forbid even the judging?

The primary goal of **CAR SHOW TALK** is to preview and review in a fair and balanced way as many shows and cruise-ins as possible. There are a lot of sites and "cruise lines" that list upcoming events, but none that actually preview and review these events. This site hopes to fit that bill.

In addition to show previews and reviews, there will be articles on car detailing, performance mods, restoration, and product reviews. So, stay tuned. We hope to see you here often. It plans to be another busy season!

Best Regards, Kim

