

## JANUARY 2020

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## MID-ATLANTIC THUNDERBIRD CLUB Charter Member, International Thunderbird Club



### MATC THUNDERBIRD NEWSLETTER

### 46<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

<http://www.midatlantictbirdclub.org/>

<http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/>



## HAPPY NEW YEAR

### Thunderbird Bird Breakfast in Bel Air,

Jan 16, 9:30 AM Greek Village Diner, 129 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air, MD 21214

### Officers Planning

Saturday, January 18, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Green Turtle Restaurant

Bel Air Mall

RSVP to Cathy Kelley, Tel: 443-417-0441 [cathykelley49@gmail.com](mailto:cathykelley49@gmail.com)

There is a Tentative Activities Calendar on the second page of this newsletter. The activities listed are based on 2019 activities. These activities are suggestions and are not requirements. If you have any suggestion for new activities, please contact one of the officers with your ideas.

### February Business Meeting and \$2 Pot-Luck Social

**After 1:00 PM Sunday, February 9, Backup Date Feb 16**

**Do Not Arrive Early, so we do not interfere with Sunday Church Activities**

**RSVP:** Cathy Kelley, 443-417-0441, [cathykelley49@gmail.com](mailto:cathykelley49@gmail.com)

Before February 5<sup>th</sup>

This is a General membership meeting to review club events for 2020 and report on the January 18<sup>th</sup> MATC Officer's Planning meeting. We request a \$2 contribution to help offset meeting expenses. If rescheduling is required due to inclement weather see the MATC Website or call a club officer.

*Please note that the meeting will be in **Room 202** in the education building. Elevator service to the second floor is available. Once the upper parking lot entrance is entered, drive past the church and social hall. Entrance to the building requires going down a flight of stairs.*

**Bel Air United Methodist Church, Room 202**

**21 Linwood Avenue, Bel Air, MD 21014**

**( at the intersection of Rt. 924 & Linwood Ave )**

*Bring a Pot-Luck Dish in the category designated by the first letter of your last name:*

*"R to Z" Salad*

*"G to Q" Main*

*"A to F" Desert*

### 2020 Officer Election Results

President: Steve and Cathy Kelley

Secretary: Lynn Horn

Board of Directors: Phyllis Cherry

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Cathy Kelley

Peg Long

## 2020 TENTATIVE EVENTS CALENDAR

*Official MATC/ITC activities are marked with \*\*\* and printed in bold. Our Thunderbird Club events are open to all years of Thunderbirds. Other events such as "AACA" events adhere to the 25 year rule or other designation. Applicable restrictions will be noted with each event.*

Date	Event	Sponsor	Location	Details
<b>January 16 9:30 AM</b>	<b>Third Thursday Breakfast</b>	<b>*** MATC ***</b>	Greek Village Diner 129 Baltimore Pike Bel Air, MD 21014	( <a href="https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071">https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071</a> )
<b>Sunday Feb 9, Back up Feb 16 1:00 PM</b>	<b>BUSINESS MEETING, POT-LUCK Membership Meeting</b>	<b>MATC</b>	21 Linwood Ave Bel Air, MD 21014	
Saturday March 14	CRAACA Antique Auto Parts Flea Market	CRAACA	Howard Ct. Fairgrounds Rte 144, West Friendship	<a href="http://chesapeakeaaca.org/pages/activities/flyers/2015fleamarket.pdf">http://chesapeakeaaca.org/pages/activities/flyers/2015fleamarket.pdf</a>
Saturday April	Romancing the Chrome (not listed on Library Web Calendar)	Harford Library Foundation	Jarrett's Field 3719 Norrisville Rd., Jarrettsville, MD 21084	10AM – 4 PM <a href="http://romancingthechrome.org/">http://romancingthechrome.org/</a>
<b>Saturday Apr</b>	<b>Garthering @ Mench's</b>	<b>MATC</b>	1120 Clayton Greenspring Rd Smyrna, DE	
Thu to Sun May 16 - 19	Cruisin O.C. (Rods, Customs, Classics 1976 -older)		Ocean City Md	<a href="https://www.specialeventpro.com/cruisin-ocean-city">https://www.specialeventpro.com/cruisin-ocean-city</a>
<b>Sunday May 19</b>	<b>Thunderbird Appreciation Day</b>	<b>ITC</b>	<b>John Wright House Restaurant Wrightsville, Pa</b>	<a href="http://www.johnwrightrestaurant.com">www.johnwrightrestaurant.com</a>
Fri to Sun Jun 5 - 7	All Ford Nationals	Carlisle	Carlisle Fairgrounds Carlisle, PA	<a href="http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/carlisle-ford-nationals/default.aspx">http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/carlisle-ford-nationals/default.aspx</a>
Sat June 9 AM – 2:30 PM	Bel Air United Methodist Church Car Show		21 Linwood Avenue Bel Air, MD 21014	<a href="http://www.belairumc.org">www.belairumc.org</a>
<b>July Sun</b>	<b>Potluck Social hosted by Dan &amp; Zoeanne Denham</b>	<b>MATC</b>	<b>Hydes, MD</b>	<a href="mailto:garagex4@yahoo.com">garagex4@yahoo.com</a>
<b>Fri to Sun June</b>	<b>Luray Caverns Car &amp; Carriage Museum</b>	<b>MATC</b>	<b>Luray, VA</b>	
Aug ? Fri to Sun	Das Awkscht Fescht		Macungie, PA	See website for registration. <a href="http://awkscht.com/">http://awkscht.com/</a>
<b>Aug</b>	<b>International Thunderbird Convention</b>	<b>ITC</b>	<b>Cleveland, Ohio</b>	<a href="http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/">http://www.intl-thunderbirdclub.com/</a>
<b>Sunday Sept</b>	<b>Potluck Social hosted by John and Phyllis Cherry</b>	<b>MATC</b>	<b>Cascade, MD (near Thurmont)</b>	
<b>Sunday Sept</b>	<b>Conowingo Veterans Center Visitation</b>	<b>MATC</b>	<b>Conowingo Veterans Center 775 Ragan Drive Conowingo, MD 21918</b>	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/conowingovetctr/">https://www.facebook.com/conowingovetctr/</a>
Oct Thurs to Sun	AACA Eastern Fall Hershey	AACA	Hershey, PA	<a href="http://hershayaaca.org/fallmeet.html">http://hershayaaca.org/fallmeet.html</a>
Thu to Sun Oct	Endless Summer Cruisin		Ocean City MD	<a href="https://specialeventpro.com/endless-summer-cruisin">https://specialeventpro.com/endless-summer-cruisin</a>
<b>Saturday Oct</b>	<b>Rockville Antique and Classic Auto Show 8:30a – 3:30p</b>	<b>MATC</b>	Rockville Civic Center Pk 603 Edmonston Drive Rockville MD 20851	<a href="http://www.rockvillemd.gov/667/Antique-Classical-Car-Show">http://www.rockvillemd.gov/667/Antique-Classical-Car-Show</a>
<b>Sunday Nov</b>	<b>Conowingo Veterans Center Visitation</b>	<b>MATC</b>	<b>Conowingo Veterans Center 775 Ragan Drive Conowingo, MD 21918</b>	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/conowingovetctr/">https://www.facebook.com/conowingovetctr/</a>
<b>Sunday December 1:00 pm</b>	<b>Annual Christmas Party</b>	<b>MATC</b>	<b>Dobbin House 89 Steinwehr Avenue Gettysburg, PA</b>	See Menu, registration and directions enclosed in November Newsletter
<b>Third Thursday, Every Month 9:30 AM</b>	<b>Monthly Breakfast Gathering</b>	<b>MATC</b>	<b>Greek Village Diner 129 Baltimore Pike Bel Air, MD 21014</b>	( <a href="https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071">https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greek-Village-Restaurant/203026953055071</a> )

**Suggestions:** Car Museum St. Michaels <https://www.classicmotormuseum.org/visit>

**Other Events:** Car Cruise and Show Guide: <http://carmacruise.com/>

**Hunt Valley Horsepowering:** Every Saturday 8:00AM to 10:00AM, Location: Hunt Valley Town Center in the parking lot between Joe's Crab Shack and the former Best Buy location. <http://horsepowering.com/>

## FOR SALE:

**1964 Thunderbird:** Older restoration and still shows and runs well. Wimbledon White with a black landau roof and black interior. Has power windows and power driver seat. Recliner passenger seat with head rest. Owned by same family since 1965. Have documented history from restoration in 1998 to present. Call Earl or Judy Dickinson @ 717 767 2973. (9/19)



**2003 Thunderbird:** Red Hardtop, Steve Kelley 443-371-3030, [skelley@gottogotravel.net](mailto:skelley@gottogotravel.net) (1/18) See attached flyer.



**2002 Thunderbird:** Asking 13,500, 34,600 miles, excellent condition, with boot and storage rack. Dave LeKites, [rundpl@gmail.com](mailto:rundpl@gmail.com) (7/19)



**1966 Thunderbird Convertible:** Red with Red Interior and White Top. 390 CID Engine, Power Steering, Power Brakes, Electric Windows. Lots of New Parts. 80,000 Miles, \$28,000. Richard Trimble, Hampstead, Telephone: 410 – 374 – 6037

## MATC THUNDERBIRDERS AT CONOWINGO VETERANS HOME

On Sunday, November 10, MATC went to the Conowingo Veterans Center for the afternoon. We provided the resident veterans with a fried chicken dinner with all the pot luck side dishes we brought. We parked our cars on the Center's parking lot for the veterans to view the vehicles.



## **MATC THUNDERBIRDERS AT THE MOVIES**

### **“ FORD V FERRARI “**

On Sunday, November 17th, several MATC members went to Bel Air Regal Cinema to see Ford v Ferrari. Starring Matt Damon and Christian Bale as Carroll Shelby and Ken Miles, it recounts the story of Henry Ford II's entry into the world of racing and the quest to best Ferrari after a failed attempt to buy them. It follows American car designer Carroll Shelby and British race car driver Ken Miles as they build Ford's iconic GT 40 racer in 1966.

The movie was filled with exciting race scenes, showing the excitement as well as the danger of the sport. It also detailed the internal politics involved and the eventual satisfaction in Le Mans. There was human interest and a story line to keep all involved.

After the movie, we adjourned to Bacco Italian + Wine Bar in Bel Air for a leisurely meal, good conversation. A nice way to end a weekend!

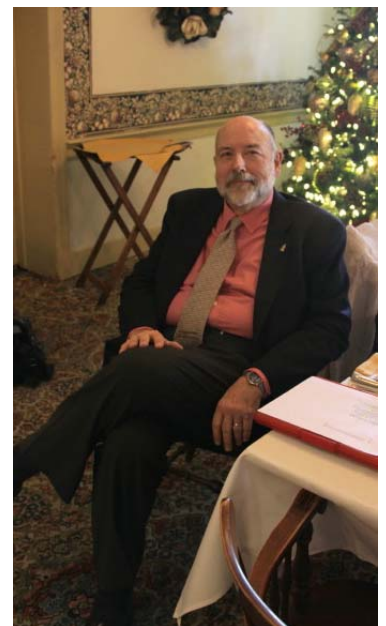


Attending: Tom Young and Linda Rodgers, Skip and Barbara Panowitz, Harry and Celeste Skruch, Ron and Jean Hill, Steve and Cathy Kelley, John and Lynn Horn, Earl and Judy Dickinson and guest and car guy, Jim Butcher.

**THUNDERBIRD YouTube VIDEO**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gNad-XjYY>

## CHRISTMAS PARTY



## HARRY SKRUCH'S THUNDERBIRD OIL REPORT

Harry Skruch sent an oil sample from his Thunderbird to Blackstone Laboratories to be analyzed. Below is a copy of the report he received. The company said that the length of time the engine runs and uses the oil is more important to degradation than time the oil is resting in the engine. Good news for us old car lovers who put limited miles on our vehicles. Read the report below. Contact Harry for info if you would an oil analysis for your bird.



### OIL REPORT

**LAB NUMBER:** L76167      **UNIT ID:** 04 TBIRD  
**REPORT DATE:** 11/14/2019      **CLIENT ID:** 24632  
**CODE:** 63/685      **PAYMENT:** CC: Visa

<b>UNIT</b>	MAKE/MODEL: Ford 3.9L V-8	OIL TYPE & GRADE: Mobil 1 5W/30
	FUEL TYPE: Gasoline (Unleaded)	OIL USE INTERVAL: 3,585 Miles
	ADDITIONAL INFO:	
<b>CLIENT</b>	HARRY SKRUCH	PHONE: (410) 256-2740
	4804 TORPOINT RD	FAX:
	BALTIMORE, MD 21236	ALT PHONE:
<b>COMMENTS</b>	EMAIL: hskruch@verizon.net	
	HARRY: It's not a big deal that the oil was in place for two years. For modern engines, the amount of use	
	oil sees is much more important than calendar time. Your T-Bird has another great set of results to its	
<b>COMMENTS</b>	name. Metals are holding steady even after a longer oil run, with just copper (from brass/bronze) inching up	
	a little. We'll keep an eye on that, but not out of any serious concern as 6 ppm isn't enough to show an	
	issue. It's just everything else is so stable that even a minor change stands out. The TBN is strong at 5.9.	
<b>COMMENTS</b>	Try up to 5,000 miles if you'd like.	

ELEMENTS IN PARTS PER MILLION	MI/HR on Oil	3,585	UNIT / LOCATION AVERAGES	2,836	2,015	2,734	3,391	2,162	UNIVERSAL AVERAGES
	MI/HR on Unit	64,351		60,766	57,870	55,855	53,121	49,730	
	Sample Date	11/4/2019		10/2/2017	5/9/2016	11/5/2014	10/21/2013	9/10/2012	
	Make Up Oil Added	0 qts		0 qts	0 qts	0 qts	0 qts	0 qts	
	ALUMINUM	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	3
	CHROMIUM	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
	IRON	7	8	7	5	7	7	6	14
	COPPER	6	3	4	3	3	3	3	5
	LEAD	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
	TIN	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0
	MOLYBDENUM	69	87	76	73	74	82	109	75
	NICKEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	MANGANESE	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
	SILVER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TITANIUM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	POTASSIUM	1	2	4	1	0	2	3	2
	BORON	61	62	70	65	64	68	77	74
	SILICON	3	9	3	4	4	5	6	14
	SODIUM	5	7	4	2	2	4	7	33
	CALCIUM	958	2036	1003	933	976	1324	2742	2003
	MAGNESIUM	659	216	723	681	645	609	12	218
	PHOSPHORUS	641	657	654	583	595	723	699	684
	ZINC	722	772	770	735	678	774	824	802
	BARIUM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

PROPERTIES	Values Should Be*							
	SUS Viscosity @ 210°F	57.2	55-63	54.3	60.5	59.0	58.8	60.2
	cSt Viscosity @ 100°C	9.42	8.8-11.3	8.56	10.35	9.93	9.89	10.28
	Flashpoint in °F	400	>375	420	385	425	410	415
	Fuel %	<0.5	<2.0	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
	Antifreeze %	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Water %	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Insolubles %	0.1	<0.6	0.1	0.2	TR	0.1	0.1
	TBN	5.9	>1.0	5.3	6.3		4.5	6.9
	TAN							
	ISO Code							

\* THIS COLUMN APPLIES ONLY TO THE CURRENT SAMPLE

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## PAST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – JAN 2020



Dear MATC Members:

As the end of my time in office as MATC president draws near, I want to take this opportunity to thank each of you for being members of our great club and supporting it during my 14 years as your president. I sincerely appreciate the kind words regarding my efforts to make MATC viable, interesting and beneficial to the Thunderbird hobby and Thunderbird enthusiast. We addressed some challenges, but also enjoyed the ability to socialize with those who cherish this iconic vehicle. I was fortunate to have Board and general members willing to step up to the plate to handle the tasks that needed to be done. Now, I tried my best to recognize those who served the club and those who went above and beyond. But it is time for others to take the reins and continue the work that has been accomplished. You are in good hands with Kathy & Steve. However, you are not getting rid of me that easily as I will still remain a member of the Board of Directors as a past president. Barb and I look forward to continuing to be involved with MATC and enjoy, and benefit from, all it has to offer.

Barb and I wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and holiday season and the happiest of New Years. See you at a MATC event soon.

*Skip*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – JAN 2020



Hello MATC! We are pleased to step into the role that you have elected us to and we want to thank Skip for the fabulous job he did as President of our club for 14 years. If you were at the annual Christmas party at the Dobbin House you know that with donations from many of you we have arranged for a brick to be 'planted' at the AACA museum in Skip's honor this spring. We'll be sure to let you know the date as it comes available so we can arrange a group to participate in the event.

We hope to see many of you at the annual **Members Meeting** Sunday, **Feb 9, 2020 from 1-4pm .** We've reserved the activity room upstairs at Bel Air United Methodist Church, 21 Linwood Ave, Bel Air MD 21014. Back-up weather date is Feb 16. (Super Bowl is Feb 2)

Please continue to visit, use and contribute to the MATC website and Facebook pages. And let us know your suggestions for activities. We will make every effort to schedule activities that are also convenient for our Delaware and Virginia members. Your suggestions for venues will be helpful to this effort.

We had such a good time at the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event in VA this past June that we want to continue with more long weekends. We thought about an Eastern Shore trip, but with all the hassles on the Bay Bridge maybe that should be postponed to another year. We should get started planning soon, so bring your ideas to the February meeting. See you there!

*Steve and Kathy*



# Mid-Atlantic Thunderbird Club

"A Club for Enthusiasts of the Ford Thunderbird of all years"

## Application for Membership

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

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Month \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Month \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Home: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

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

Your Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

I was referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

List Your Thunderbirds:

Car	Year	Style (HT, Conv, Landau, etc.)	Comment (Show, Pleasure, Under Restoration, etc.)
1			
2			
3			
4			

Attach additional sheet if necessary.

Annual Dues: \$25.00 due each January, newsletter delivered electronically, or  
\$40.00 due each January, newsletter delivered by US Postal Service

New Members Partial Year Dues:

\$15.00 if joining after June 1<sup>st</sup> of the year

Full dues if joining after October 1<sup>st</sup> of the year, BUT

IT INCLUDES FOLLOWING YEAR DUES (3 months Free)

Name Tags \$10.00 each: \_\_\_\_\_

Please PRINT names for tags above. Separate by comma if more than one.

Send to: Make your check payable to **MATC.**

Please Mail Application with your check to:

Harry Skruch, Treasurer

4804 Torpoint Road

Nottingham, MD 21236

410-256-2740

Visit us at [www.midatlantictbirdclub.org](http://www.midatlantictbirdclub.org)

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The Mid-Atlantic Thunderbird Club is a Tax-exempt Association under IRC 501 (c) (7).

# ***2003 Ford Thunderbird***

**Maryland State Inspected and Ready to Roll**



**Asking Price:**

**\$12,300.00**

**Contact:**

**Steve Kelley**

**410-812-5596**

**443-371-3030**

**VIN:** 1FAHP60A23Y100879

**Mileage:** 82000

**Warranty:** Does NOT have an existing warranty

**Vehicle Title:** Maryland—Clear

**Engine:** 3.9L V8 Gasoline 282 H.P.

**Transmission:** Automatic with Manual Shift Option

**Interior Color:** Black w/Red Inserts/Trim

**Exterior Color:** Torch Red

**Body Type:** Power Convertible w/ OPT, Red Hardtop

**Sub Model:** Two Door - Premium

**For Sale by:** Owner

**Present Location:** Bel Air, MD—Delivery available

**OPTIONS:** 17" 7 Spoke Chrome Wheels— Anti-Spin Brakes— AM/FM Stereo w/6-CD Changer— Audio-phile 9 Speaker Sound System— Heated Seats— Engine Oil Cooler—Thunderbird Branded Floor Mats— Perimeter Anti-Theft—Supplemental Fog Lights—Daytime Running Lights - About 8000 miles on tires.

I'm the second owner and I have always kept it in the garage. It has seen no snow and very little rain. It is clean inside and out.

**Mid-Atlantic Thunderbird Club**  
**5626 Williams Road**  
**Hydes, MD 21082-9533**

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