

# THE GOAT CONNECTION

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GTO CLUB OF THE GREATER SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA



## NO CLUB MEETING THIS MONTH

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Holidays,

Hard to believe that 2016 is arriving like NOW!  
Hopefully everyone had a joyful fun filled holiday season. Many of us kicked off our holiday season attending the Dec 5<sup>th</sup> GGG Holiday Party. Well attended again this year, food was outstanding and our famous or perhaps infamous White Elephant Gift Exchange turned

up some real gems that I am sure will quite likely be making their return appearance next year. If you haven't had a chance to check out the online photo album, take a look when you have a few minutes. Back 40 staff did a nice job taking care of us and we will be returning again next year on Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Take a moment to mark your calendars now for what is sure to be another great time.

We had a brief meeting during our Holiday party taking a few minutes to introduce our 2016 event calendar. Event co-chairs Steve Beckett and Jim Lent gave us an overview of our Saturday February 20<sup>th</sup> kickoff event at Cobra Experience. Sounds like a fun time, this will be a rain or shine event with NorCal Chevilles joining us. Member response to our going with a couple of SATURDAY meetings was positive enough to give it a whirl., the first will be on March 19<sup>th</sup>. We return to meetings on Thursday February 4<sup>th</sup>. Itinerary for that meeting will be discussing our 2/20 event,

reviewing our event calendar in greater detail plus brainstorming ideas for our July 16<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic to be held at Tilden Park. Looks like 2016 will be another GRRRR8 year for Golden Gate Goats. Hope to see many of you on 2/4.

Until then, see ya in the fast lane!

**Prez John**

## **GOLDEN GATE GOATS EVENT PICTURES**

We have a picture hosting site that has lots of event pictures. These can be downloaded to your own computer or you can order pictures directly from the site. Pictures can be viewed at:<http://imageevent.com/jimlent>

## **CHANGES, MISSPELLINGS, ETC.**

**IF WE HAVEN'T GOT YOUR INFORMATION MIXED UP YET, JUST GIVE US TIME. WE ARE WORKING AS FAST AS WE CAN.**

Please contact Jim Lent with any name, address, phone number or vehicle corrections or changes. (510) 799-6096.

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## **Email List**

We have an active list that provides frequent updates on club activities and provides links to pictures of club activities. E-mail [jimlent@comcast.net](mailto:jimlent@comcast.net) to join or to update your email address.

**GOLDEN GATE GOATS WEB**  
**SITE AVAILABLE AT:**

**[www.gggoats.com](http://www.gggoats.com)**



## **CAR OF THE MONTH** **ARTICLES**

Would you like to see your car, and its story, published in this newsletter. Take this opportunity now to memorialise your ride!

Tell us about your ride: how you got it, what you have done to it, where you like to drive it, etc. Make your car the star.

You can email your story and pictures to Jim Lent at; [jimlent@comcast.net](mailto:jimlent@comcast.net) or send them by snail mail to:

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Hello Folks,

Join us on Saturday, February 20 for a short cruise, lunch at De Vino's Restaurant in Pleasant Hill and then a tour of The Cobra Experience automotive museum in Martinez.

We will be hosted by the founder and cobra expert, Drew Serb, on our tour of the facility. The museum features all things Carroll Shelby including the famous Shelby Cobra and the subsequent Shelby Mustangs. Drew Serb has also collected a vast amount of Shelby memorabilia that is on display throughout the beautiful facility. Check out the website at <http://www.cobraexperience.org/>

Devinos Pizza and Pasta has a great menu. Check out their lunch specials. Their salads are large and a personal pizza combined will easily feed two people. <http://devinospizzapasta.com/lunch.html>

What a great way to spend a cold winters afternoon getting another car fix and a great Italian lunch. Lunch and beverages are no-host. Cost for the museum is \$15 per person payable at the museum.

**THIS IS A RAIN OR SHINE EVENT – SO DRIVE YOUR WEATHER APPROPRIATE VEHICLE!**

This event will start at the Orinda BART east parking lot off Camino Pablo in Orinda. Then off for a short cruise to lunch in Pleasant Hill at De Vino's Restaurant and on to the the Cobra Experience afterwards. Meeting time will be listed in the February newsletter.

Questions? Call event coordinators Steve Beckett at 925-997-3483 or Jim Lent at 510-697-6645.

**PLEASE RSVP BY FEBRUARY 15**  
**stevenbeckett@comcast.net**

# **Club Dues Call 2016 Dues - Payable now!**

**The dues amount for 2016 is \$36.00.**

**Dues can be submitted by mail or paid in person at  
our February meeting.**

**PLEASE HELP OUR CLUB TREASURER  
BY SENDING YOUR DUES IN TODAY.**

**Don't miss out on the exciting 2016 20th  
Anniversary GGGoats events.**

**Use the envelope included in the bill  
sent to you or:**

**SEND YOUR CHECK, MADE OUT TO:  
"GOLDEN GATE GOATS" TO:**

**GOLDEN GATE GOATS TREASURER  
145 Pleasant View Drive  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523**

**The following members still owe their 2016 dues.**

Wayne & Cheryl Woods  
Dale & Aneta Davis  
Larry & Mary Holt  
Mike & Stephanie Sherman  
Greg Merz  
Alan Blake  
Harry Johnson

Chris Maskiell  
John Curzi  
Mark & Diane Bissig  
Bob Doten  
Al Bender  
Sam Hedgpeth IV



## Golden Gate Goats 2016 Event Schedule



- 2/4 Thursday Club Meeting at The Englander
- 2/20 Saturday Kick Off Event Lunch at DeVinos & Cruise to Cobra Experience. Rain or shine
- 3/5 **Saturday Meeting** @ Jacks in San Mateo. Mystery cruise to follow. Rain or shine
- 4/7 Thursday Club Meeting at the Englander
- 4/16 Saturday @ Filoli Garden Tour hosted by John and Marsha Mekisich Rain cancels
- 4/? Sunday Benicia Car Show hosted by Stuart Cole
- 5/? Saturday - Pontiacs of Central CA Car Show - Clovis
- 5/5 Thursday Club Meeting at The Englander
- 5/? Moraga Car Show new datew
- 6/? Run Through the Canyon hosted by NorCal Chevelles
- 6/? Sunday Pinole Car Show hosted by Jim Lent
- 7/16 Saturday Tilden Park Picnic catered by Back Forty BBQ **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!**
- 8/6 and 7 Wine tasting at Ironwood Winery in Murphys hosted by Bob Doten.
- 9/10 **Saturday Meeting** @ Jacks in San Mateo. Mystery cruise to follow
- 9/25 Sunday Altamont Cruisers Show
- 10/6 Thursday Club Meeting at The Englander
- 10/? Saturday Alameda Car Show hosted by Phil Sandri
- 10/23 Sunday Fall Wine Cruise hosted by Judy & Leroy Anderson
- 11/3 Thursday Club Meeting at The Englander
- 12/3 Saturday Holiday Party at Back Forty BBQ

**YOUR AD COULD BE HERE! PERSONAL ADS FOR ALL  
GOLDEN GATE MEMBERS ARE FREE -  
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email - [jimlent@comcast.net](mailto:jimlent@comcast.net)

## **WANTED:**

1965 GTO Hardtop 4spd. or auto Ok. Email Club Member Robert Newcomer  
@ [rnewebay@gmail.com](mailto:rnewebay@gmail.com) or call 1-925-360-9329,

## **FOR SALE:**

**N O S 1965 PONTIAC GTO Passengers Side Grill Insert.** Slight Shelf Wear, no original Box. Never installed. \$600.00. You'll likely look long and hard to find another one. Don't wait for your Insurance Company to try to find one of these. I have one in Heated Storage protected by Sig & Sauer. Call Ken Davis. 408-209-2553. [kendavis14@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kendavis14@sbcglobal.net)

**Many 67 GTO parts,** too many to list. I also have a set of 68 heads and a 68 turbo 400 transmission. Contact club member Paul Gribaldo Hm: 510-429-6930 Cell:510-209-3909

**4 Prostar Weld wheels** [like new} 15/7, 200.00; 1 Edelbrock 750 carb {electric choke}, 100.00; 1 Holley 670 carb {new} electric choke, 150.00.

Contact club member Patrick Loushin {707} 246-0286.

### **1964 GTO-Tri Power-4spd-Black on Black \$45,000.00**

This example of raw power is in the form of the Original Muscle Car. There are no power drains: No power steering, No power brakes, No Air Conditioning, No Smog Pump. This is the sturdy post top model. Built for speed. It was built in the Fremont, CA assembly plant on an order from a buyer in Portland. No rust. Although it has been restored and rebuilt, it looks like the car was garaged most of its life. Original Protecto Plate sits in its place in the glove compartment. The entire car is like new. The car is rarely driven, just enough to keep it in top shape.

Here's the List of Features: Black Exterior with Clear Coat; Polished 17-in. deep-dish American Wheels; Also have steel wheels with dish hubcaps and spinner hubcaps. Plus, brand new period torque thrust mags; So, there are 4 ways to do your wheels with this car! All rubber and weatherstripping like-new; Newer emblems throughout; Newer front and rear glass; Newer original style black interior and carpet; GTO floor mats; Original Console; Original AM radio in works(listen to Oldies as you drive!); Original dash mounted Tachometer; Sixties style rally gauge pack shows engine temperature, oil pressure and alternator amperage; Four-point Simpson racing seat and shoulder belts; Vanity license plates lic # GGGTO; Golden Gate Goats car club member and license plate frame; Excellent chrome bumpers;

Rebuilt engine about 15,000 miles ago is a Pontiac 428 block featuring a Crower hydraulic racing cam; Pertronics Electronic ignition; Doug's headers, nickel finish; Original style re-cored radiator; Flowmaster exhaust; Newer water pump; OEM style splitter tailpipes; Newer clutch and brakes; 3:23 Differential with Pos-I-Traction; Tuned suspension for a firm but comfortable ride; This car needs nothing but a qualified buyer.

#### Also Included in the sale price:

New 2-volume set of General Motors Service Manuals; Specialty tools such as wiper arm tool; Custom fitted Wolf '64 GTO car cover; Contact Club member Mark Vanderhoof at 831-234-8117 or [<bosquindo@hotmail.com>](mailto:bosquindo@hotmail.com)

Pictures available at: <http://imageevent.com/jimlent/markvanderhoofs64gto>

### **GTO PARTS 1966 - 1971**

66-67 Rear GTO Springs New \$50 pair/ offer.66-68 4 drum brakes used with Backing plates. Complete front/rear \$100 / offer **Price Change** New Blue Racer Camshaft - 280-2H 442/465 lift (for 67-68 400 V-8) \$40 / offer. 5 piece glass set for 66-67 GTO \$75 / offer (no front windshield)

66-67 Vent window assembly complete \$100 / offer 66-67 AM radio original \$100 / offer 69-71 V-8 oil pan \$40.00 / offer.**Bonneville or Catalina Rally 2 rim. Sand blasted and painted with products from Ames. Great condition.\$60.00/offer** Contact Club member **Joe Mangiapane** - Home - 510-638-8226 cell phone 510-326-5060

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# Mother Road to turn 90; new Route 66 preservation organization begins work

[Daniel Strohl](#) on Dec 15th, 2015

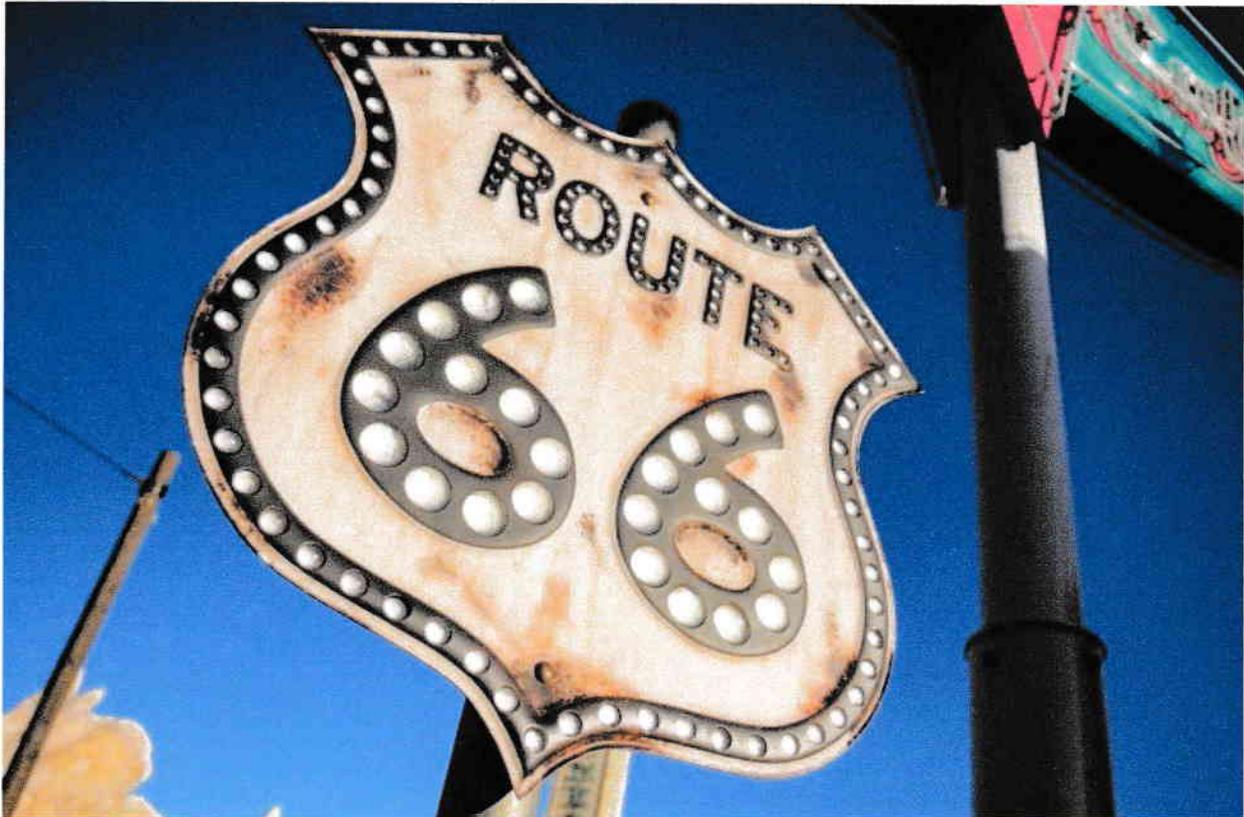


Photo by [Vincent Lammin](#).

Other highways came before it. Others stretched farther. Others probably conducted more traffic throughout the country. But no highway gets more recognition or praise than Route 66, America's first numbered highway, which will

turn 90 next year amid a brace of celebrations and the founding of a new organization dedicated to Route 66's preservation.

That instant recognition of Route 66 as the Mother Road and as the Main Street of America comes in part from its role in popular culture, from Nat King Cole's song of the same name to John Steinbeck's description of it in *The Grapes of Wrath* to the allusion to it in the 2006 Disney/Pixar film *Cars*. But the true legacy of the road was essentially baked into its conception and early promotion, thanks in large part to Tulsa-based businessman Cyrus Avery.

As far back as 1916, Congress began passing laws that would establish a nationwide network of public roads, and one of its proposals called for a Route 60 that would connect Virginia Beach, Virginia, to Los Angeles, California, passing through Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Utah, and Nevada along the way. Avery, who recognized the economic potential of such a road, argued that it should avoid the Rockies and instead take a more southerly route from St. Louis to Los Angeles — passing through Tulsa, of course — and that from St. Louis it should swing northward to Chicago rather than head due east to Virginia, following natural routes of commerce.

While he was at it, Avery also suggested the route be renumbered from 60 to 66, arguing that the latter would become more memorable and more likely to roll off the tongue. Indeed, while Route 60 did eventually connect Virginia Beach to points west, few if any people celebrate that road these days.



Photo by [Victor Solano](#).

Established on November 20, 1926, Route 66 ran from Chicago — specifically Lake Shore Drive — to St. Louis, through a slim corner of Kansas, then through Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California, ending in Santa Monica. A year later, Avery went on to establish the U.S. Highway 66 Association, which promoted the road to travelers and which led the effort to pave the entire length of the road, a project that wrapped up in 1938.

As many have pointed out, the advent of the Interstate Highway System in the mid-1950s essentially doomed Route 66. Though a number of interstates eventually followed the general direction of Route 66, most of them bypassed the road itself and the various businesses and small towns that prospered as a result of the road. The U.S. Highway 66 Association, despite its latter focus on preventing the demise of the Mother Road, disbanded in 1975; official decertification of Route 66 came in 1985.

Yet, despite 30 years of official nonexistence, Route 66 remains immensely popular today, with annual festivals and celebrations taking place in many towns that the road once ran through — and even one in Europe. As Route 66 author [Jim Hinckley related recently](#), a number of those celebrations will focus on the anniversary in 2016, including Kingman, Arizona's, [66 Celebrates 90, Santa Monica's 90th anniversary festival](#), and Germany's [European Route 66 Festival](#). Hinckley also reported that, for the first time since the U.S. Highway 66 Association disbanded, a national effort called [Route 66: The Road Ahead Initiative](#), organized in part by the National Park Service, will soon begin Route 66 advocacy work, with a charter that calls for preservation, education, tourism promotion, and economic development along Route 66.

As for earlier reports on the [re-boot of the "Route 66" television show](#), no news on that effort has circulated since December 14, when the re-boot was first announced.



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In 2005 we opened our online club store on our website. The store carries a full line of apparel, house wares, and gifts with the Golden Gate Goats logo, Outlaw GTO Association of Western America logo, and images of our club cars! Go check it out at:

[www.cafepress.com/gggoats](http://www.cafepress.com/gggoats)

**Our goal is to preserve and keep the legend of the Pontiac GTO alive. We plan to do this by having fun as we learn more about our GTOs through various club activities: Cruises, Parades, Car Shows, Picnics & MORE!**

## 2015 - Club Meetings

Club meetings are scheduled for the following months:

February, March, April, May  
September, October, November  
and December.

Check newsletter or website for updated dates, times & locations.

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