

THE GOAT CONNECTION

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GTO CLUB OF THE GREATER SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring GGG,
Spring has arrived as we roll into April and the rain keeps coming. Can't remember the last year we had so many consecutive rain days or atmospheric river significant rain events with lots of wind. My GTO sits outside under a cover as there are no other options. Use a product called Gust Guards to secure the cover that uses plastic clips and rubber coated bungees. Stays on fine up to about 35mph gusts, at that point remove the cover. This year have had to do that many more times than I recall in previous years, could be

global warming resulting in stronger storms ???????
Perhaps could tweet 45 for his input!
Please do note in this newsletter the hot off the press flyer for Nor-Cals Saturday June 22nd Poker Run event. Great cruise route with lots of interesting stops. We decided at our last meeting to also join them in August at their Hot August Niles event, information will be coming on that event down the road a bit.... Benicia show is quickly approaching coming up on Sunday 4/28. Always a popular event once again hosted by Stuart Cole who cooks everyone an amazing lunch. Scenic location, good cause, great food and neat cars make this event a really fun time. Moraga car show comes up on 5/11 taking us through the next two months events.... Our next meeting is this coming Thursday April 4th at the Englander in San Leandro with an 11:30 start time. We can discuss upcoming events along with any other topics you would like to address. Reading Jeff Allee's article in last month's newsletter gave me a topic idea for this meeting. Jeff bought his 69 Judge back in 1985 (GRRR8 time to buy) as a 16 year old car that he has now owned for 34 years. Many times we make mention of what year members joined during events and meetings but I do not recall discussing when we acquired our GTO's, what modifications and restoration work has been done, how they were used then and are now used now, etc. We could also include discussing why we chose to buy a GTO instead of some other muscle car. Let's plan on doing that as am sure will

develop into a very interesting conversation. Hope you can make it, see you there.
That's it for now, stay dry and see ya in the fast lane!

Prez John

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SITE AVAILABLE AT:
www.gggoats.com

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>

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 to join or to update your email address



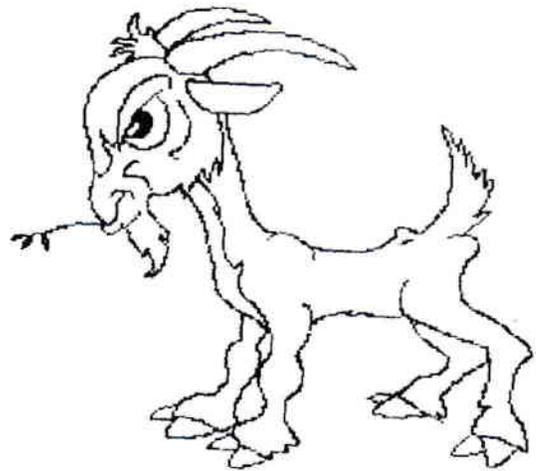
CHANGES, MISPELLINGS, ETC.

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.

E-MAIL: jimlent@comcast.net

**SNAIL MAIL: Jim Lent - 118 Iris Court
Hercules, CA 9454**



CAR OF THE MONTH ARTICLES

Would you like to see your car, and its story, published in this newsletter. Take this opportunity now to memorialize 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 or send them by snail mail to:

**Jim Lent
118 Iris Court
Hercules, CA 94547**

BENICIA CAR SHOW MEETING INFORMATION

Sunday – APRIL 28th, 2019

Howdy Folks, Its time for the Benicia Car Show again! This is your chance to get new bugs on your windshield coming out to a fun little show in Benicia! The show is held on the waterfront of downtown Benicia with our parking spot on a peninsula surrounded by the bay. Due to this location it can be brisk so you might want to dress in layers because the afternoons are usually in the 70's and the mornings are a little less. To further entice you we will supply hamburgers, hot dogs & sausages, cooked by club member **Stuart Cole**, with simple condiments for your lunch, but you need to bring your own assorted drinks.! –

We are asking that you bring something pot-luck style to share with the others (appetizers, desserts or chips suggested)

Please let us know if you are coming so we can have enough food for you.

Nor Cal Chevelles will be joining us at Benicia again this year.

Please come out and support the Benicia High School band and spend a nice spring day with your fellow goat members. If you are a last minute sort of person we have always found room to get you in to the show.

We are Meeting on **SUNDAY** the 28th at **7:15 am** at Starbucks and will leave for the show at **7:30** in an impressive display of Pontiac horsepower.

To get to the Starbucks in Benicia from the south on highway 680 you should follow 680 north to highway 780 at the Benicia bridge. Take 780 north to the Southampton exit. At the bottom of the exit turn right and take the next left into the shopping center. find a place to park, Starbucks is on the left.

From the south or the north on highway 80 take highway 780 south to the Southampton exit. At the bottom of the exit take a left turn under the freeway. Take a left turn at the 2nd stop sign into the shopping center. Find a place to park, Starbucks is on the left.

If you have any questions or need directions call me at home 707-745-2918 or on my cell phone at 707-486-3660.
s2cole@hotmail.com

The day of the show try my cell phone, it will be on.

Thanks and looking forward to seeing you,

Stuart Cole



Golden Gate Goats 2019 Event Schedule



1/31 THURSDAY 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at the Englander

3/7 THURSDAY 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at the Englander

4/4 THURSDAY 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at the Englander

4/28 Sunday Benicia Car Show hosted by Stuart Cole

5/2 THURSDAY 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at the Englander

5/11 Moraga Car Show

June – Summer break – no meeting

6/22 NORCAL CHEVELLES POKER RUN

6/23 PINOLE CAR SHOW RETURNS details to follow

JULY – Summer break – no meeting

7/27 Saturday Tilden Park Picnic catered by Back Forty BBQ **(NEW DATE)**

8/17 Hot August Niles Car Show (Fremont) – **(new Event)**

9/5 THURSDAY 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at the Englander

10/3 THURSDAY 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at the Englander

10/12 Saturday Alameda Car Show hosted by Phil Sandri

11/7 THURSDAY 11:30 LUNCH MEETING at the Englander

12/7 Saturday Holiday Party at Back Forty BBQ 11:00 – 3:00

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'68' GTO turbo 400 transmission, transmission with stand, 67 trunk skins, engine hoist, \$500 for everything or BO. Contact member **Paul Gribaldo @**
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CLUB LOGO ITEMS

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

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!

2018 - Club Meetings

Club Meetings are scheduled for the following months:
February, March, April, May
July, October, November
Check the newsletter or website for updated dates, times & locations

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We have started a Facebook page for the club. Here are some benefits of a GGG club Facebook page:

- Provides social media interface, getting more club interest from members. (This will be a closed group, only those invited to join can interact with the page.)
- Blogging - members can open discussions that are open to everyone accepted into the group, building interest and knowledge in GTOs and the club.
- Threads can be used to provide technical information discussions
- News feeds are available
- Members can upload pictures and movies
- Replacement parts needed are seen by a larger audience
- Links to the GGG web site can be placed on the Facebook page
- A GGG member finds a 'better deal' with another parts provider and shares that with all

If you are interested in joining the group, please click on this link, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1739685286060250/>

Find the request to join on the Facebook page and send your request. Acceptance will take about one day, and you will be notified when you have been given permission. Let's start sharing ideas, stories, parts and recommendations!

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Sunday, June 23rd 2019

6am-3pm

Pre-registration is required and will be limited to the FIRST 325 Classic American (pre 1975) and Classic Foreign Made (pre-1990) car registrants. Providing space is available, other vehicles will be admitted AFTER 8:00am



**Pancake Breakfast
Senior Center
7am - 9:45am
Vendors, Raffles and
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Pre-Registration is \$30 (\$35 day of) please make checks payable to: Kopp Productions c/o Sequoia Real Estate
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In consideration of the acceptance of the participants to the annual Pinole Car Show Event by execution of the entry form, I/WE herby release the City of Pinole, Kopp Productions, Sequoia Real Estate, their members, Officers and anyone else connected with this event from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, liabilities, losses, judgments, and/or claims arising from any causes whatsoever that may be caused by the participation in this event. I/We accept responsibility for Bank Fees or returned check fees.

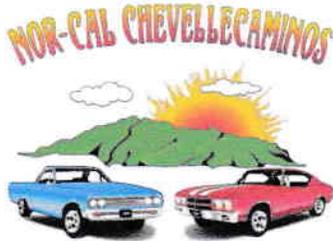
2019 Poker Run - Saturday, June 22, 2019

PRIZES

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Come and join us for a day of cruising on our 24th Annual Run Thru the Canyon!
(In memory of our Friend & RTTC Founder – Chuck Bonasera)

Each year our Chevelle-Caminos car club has a premiere event that welcomes all makes of classic car enthusiasts to attend. This year our day will begin in Newark, CA. After cruising to places in Woodside, Filoli Gardens and Half Moon Bay Airport, our final stop will be Sharp Park Golf Course in Pacifica, where they have reserved a wonderful banquet hall with seating for 60+ people for our wonderful chicken buffet. Not only will there be a fun raffle with lots of prizes, the person who ends up with the best poker stop hand wins a **\$100 cash prize!** The map of our route with addresses for all stops will be provided in your goodie bag at Registration the morning of Saturday, June 22.

Our 1st Stop will be at Starbucks at 35040 Newark Blvd., Newark.

Please note our address at the bottom of this flyer for returning your registration.



8:00AM check-in and "late/same day" registrations. 9:00AM "Run" start
(Registrations must be received no later than June 8th)

----- Please return this bottom portion with your payment -----

Email address: _____ (required to confirm your entry)

Name: _____

Car Make: _____

Car Model & Year: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Cost: \$30 per adult, \$12 per child (12 & under) (\$35 per adult after June 8th and day of cruise)

Number of people in your party: _____ Car Club: _____ Total Enclosed: _____

In consideration of acceptance as participants in the Nor-Cal ChevelleCaminos Run Thru the Canyon, by execution of this entry, I/we hereby release the Nor-Cal ChevelleCaminos car club, its members, officers and anyone connected with this event, of and from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments and/or claims from any causes whatsoever that may be suffered by participating in this event or any spectators.

Signature: _____ Date: _____ License Plate Number: _____

Mail to: Nor-Cal ChevelleCaminos, P.O. Box 36046, San Jose, CA 95158 <http://nor-cal.chevelles.net>

For questions, call Randy Ochs (925-963-2999) or Mike Crusco (408-466-6235).



**SEPTEMBER
2004
GOLDEN GATE GOATS
CAR OF THE MONTH**



1965 GTO owned by Gary and Sandy Kornahrens

I have always been a car guy and like fast cars. Over the years, I have owned quite a few classics. That long list includes my first car, a 1965 Chevrolet Malibu SS with a straight 6 and a power glide. Nice car, but way too slow for a 16 year old! Sold it to buy a 1969 Mercury Cougar with a factory 351 and 4 speed, which saw a lot of street racing in the San Leandro/Hayward area in the late 70's. I hope the statute of limitations ran out! Some of the others include a '64 Malibu SS, '72 Vega w/V-8, '63 Impala SS and a '65 Mustang T5. During the late 80's, I got the itch to have a project/show car. I had just rebuilt a '66 VW bug for my wife and decided to get into Volkswagens. I bought a decent 1964 Karmann Ghia and spent about two years thrashing on it. I entered 7 VW shows and took 1st places every time. That Ghia was also featured in Hot VW's magazine, which was a great thrill! I then decided to move on and restored my first Pontiac. It was a really sharp '67 Firebird convertible with a 326 and two speed trans. Never being satisfied, I sold it after completion and bought a '57 Chevrolet wagon that I showed for a couple years. The wagon also won a few awards and had some magazine coverage.

This leads me to the story of my '65 GTO. In the Summer of 2000, I decided to sell the wagon, pull out a little home equity and buy something that I had wanted since my youth! You guessed it, a GTO! I started doing internet searches and read the classifieds, but really could not find anything within my still meager budget. Most cars were either total basket cases or very high priced total restorations. I needed something in the middle price range and thought it would be a good idea to go to Hot August Nights with a load of cash in my pocket. I thought I could find my dream car out there at the swap meet. On that trip I only saw two GTO's for sale and the cheapest driver was still out of my price range! I came back that Sunday a bit discouraged and burned out. For the heck of it, I went on Ebay

listing for a 1965 Pontiac GTO with PHS documentation, which was in San Bruno, Ca. The listing had been up for a few days but because the owner started the bidding at \$14,900 it had no bids. I immediately showed my wife the photos of the car (which looked quite good) and quickly emailed the seller. I told the seller I was in the market and would make him a cash offer the next day if I liked the car. What I saw the next day really intrigued me. The car was a super clean '65 with factory tri-power, safe-t-trac and M20 4 speed. The seller had PHS documentation. What he also had was about \$8,000 in receipts for suspension work, brakes, rear end and a lot of miscellaneous. Well, we worked out a deal very close to the opening bid price and my dream car was mine! One other item of interest was that the owner thought that the odometer was correct reading only 73,000 original miles! I was not so sure, but my friend who is an engine builder and Pontiac guy looked it over and thinks all the gaskets are original. This leads him to believe the miles are original. The owner also told me that he was told a previous owner was Reggie Jackson. I have never been able to verify, that "Mr. October" owned the car, but someday might do some title research!

The car had at least one repaint and a ton of checking, so at least some bodywork and paint was in order. In December of 2000 I started the "frame up" restoration in my two car garage. Two gallons of paint remover, a ton of 80 grit sanding discs and a huge mess got the '65 to bare metal. I found a ton of filler and rust in the lower quarters, but no other rust areas as the car has been in California most of its life (originally sold in Oregon and built in Fremont). Luckily, I have a friend who owns a body shop and got a lot of free advice. His comment was, "I hate old cars". He "roughed" in new lower quarters and left them for me to hammer/dolly and finish. After about four rounds of block sanding, his painter, who needed to pay the rent, sprayed the car on his day off (Cheap!). Color is the original Teal Turquoise in PPG Base/Clear. This winter I will be installing an after market air conditioner, power brakes and Ram Air exhaust manifolds. In closing, even though I have owned quite a few nice cars, my GTO is a keeper. See you out there cruising low and fast!

