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Let it snow. It always makes me feel better to see snow and cover the uglies of winter.

We are still updating the Repair List. If you have a reliable repair shop that repairs your T-Bird please send it to JoAnn joannbill801@comcast.net or Marie m.brucker@comcast.net and we will add their name, address, phone number and specialty to the list.

We are still looking for more articles from our members telling us about your T-Bird. Thanks to Dan & Pam Walsh (Feb Newsletter) and Warren & Anne Musson (Mar Newsletter) for submitting an article. We look forward for more interesting stories.

Since spring is only about 50 days away the Board is still trying to schedule events for 2021. If you have any suggestions please contact a board member.

Let's think spring with the following scheduled events to take place. Taken from the Cruise' News: USMA – (K of C Free Cruise in Clawson – May 21 Back to the Bricks Promo Tour (Flint) – June 4-8 13th Jackson Rd Cruise (Ann Arbor) June 12 Wayne Rd All American Cruise (Westland) June 19.

Everyone stay safe and don't forget to pay your 2021 dues.

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2021 Tentative Schedule of Events:

Jan

Feb

Mar

Apr

May – TBD

June-26th Saturday

July – Annual Picnic

Aug- 8th Sunday Pre-Dream Cruise

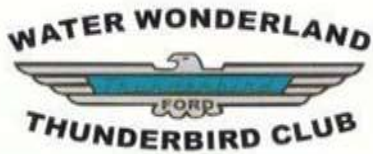
Sept. – 19th Sunday All T-Bird Day

Oct – 17th Sunday Annual Hines Park Cider Cruise

Nov – 13th Saturday Planning Meeting for 2022

Dec- 5th Sunday Annual Christmas Party





MEMBERSHIP FORM

WWTC is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of all Thunderbirds.

New Member

Renewal

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State/Province _____ Zip/Postal _____

Member's Birth Date (month/day) _____ Spouse/partner's _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

T-Bird _____ Style _____ Color _____

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NEW: If you are a member of other Thunderbird Clubs, please provide us with those membership numbers:

VTCL (Vintage Thunderbird Club Interntl) # _____ ITC (Interntl Thunderbird Club) # _____

CTCL (Classic Thunderbird Club Interntl) # _____ Other: name _____, # _____

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WWTC was established in 1981 as a non-profit Michigan organization. We are also a local chapter of the Vintage Thunderbird Club International (VTCL) as well as a current chapter in International Thunderbird Club (ITC). WWTC is dedicated to the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of all Thunderbird automobiles. Our members are from all walks of life sharing one common interest: the love of Thunderbirds.

We publish a monthly newsletter full of interesting articles, technical tips, events and want ads for T-Bird enthusiasts. We meet on a monthly basis for a variety of social events and encourage participation by driving our Thunderbirds to the event - although you do not have to own a running Thunderbird to be a member.

We welcome ALL years of T-Birds! Why not come join us? For more information, visit us at www.MichiganTbirds.org, or contact Membership Director Marie Brucker (email: m.brucker@comcast.net, phone 810-227-5379). We hope to see you soon!

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UP COMING EVENTS - PUBLISHED BY THE CRUISE NEWS

Now thru June 27

Detroit Style – Motor City Car Design 1950-2020

Detroit Institute of Arts – Detroit, MI <https://www.dia.org> (313) 833-7900

February 7

Grooms Restos/USMA Bench Racing Open House

43555 Utica Rd., Sterling Heights, MI 43314 groomsrestos@yahoo.com usmainc@hotmail.com

April 18

Monroe Auto Swap Spring Meet

Monroe County Fairgrounds

3775 S. Custer Rd., Monroe, MI 48161

Monroeautoswapmeet.net Nick - 419-579-4845 Sue - 419-579-6815

May 1-2

Great Lakes Regional Swap Meet

Fowlerville Fairgrounds vmccabrightonmi@gmail.com 248-684-8955

May 20

Galling Buick GMC Cruise Night

1491 S. Lapeer Rd, Lake Orion 48360 <https://www.gollingbuickgmc.com> 866-806-7397



My T-bird Story, by Dan Walsh

How my love of T-Bird's started and specifically the story of my white 64 hardtop. The father of my best friend who I shared a birthday with and lived across the street from had a 64 hardtop, which I always loved to drive in. But my first opportunity to get my own Thunderbird came when I was 16 at a homecoming dance with my girlfriend (now wife). An upper classman who had a T-bird in High school returned from college to take his girlfriend to homecoming & they were seated at our table. When asked if he still had the Bird, he said he did but the junkyard was coming to pick it up from his mother's yard the following week though if I got there first with \$25 & got it out of the yard before they got there I could have it. I couldn't believe this, but I did get there first and bought the car for \$25. After a few days working on it I got it running so that I could drive it home. That was my first car which I still have today and bring to the All T-bird day. I restored it the first time while I was in high school with limited funds and less know-how. The second restoration occurred while I was in college with slightly more funds and know-how. The last and final was a complete restoration when I retired just a few years ago. During this last restoration while I was looking for parts on eBay I saw a 64 convertible for sale and since I had always wanted a convertible I put a bid in on it and was successful. I just completed a total restoration of the 64 convertible though while looking for a few last parts for it I stumbled across a 61 convertible which I am now in the process of restoring. My goal is to have one of each of the first four body styles; baby bird, square bird, bullet bird and maybe two flare birds.



For Sale:

2004 Ford Thunderbird

\$30,000.00 obo



Featured car in the Ford booth at the 2004 Saigon, Vietnam Auto Show and has been in storage since then. 623 actual miles and has never seen rain or snow. Loaded with both tops, cradle and cover.

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