

## **THUNDERWORD**

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## Troy's Trivia

- 1. When and where did the first Drive-In Movie open?
- 2. How much did you pay to get in to the drive-in?
- 3. What was the first movie shown?

(See page 11 for the answers)



For the latest Club Event information, visit our Website:

https://lehighvalleythunderbirdclub.com

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**Thunderbird** 

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#### President's Message

Dear Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Club Members,

Happy Easter and Passover! April is upon us and Spring has Sprung......time to get the Thunderbird out and about the Lehigh Valley Area! Unfortunately, our Thunderbird Display at the Lehigh Valley Auto Show was rained out, as I was really looking forward to the event. Well, this year it seems things are back to normal with Car Shows, Cruises and Events in the area, so we should have a lot to do. If there is a show close to you that you think other members will enjoy, please pass the information or flyer to myself or any Board member and I will put in in the newsletter.

Our annual Pizza Party is next weekend, April 8th at 1:00 pm. We ill talk about club business and the upcoming Hex Sign Barn Road Rally. My son and I just ran the course last week and it will be a nice cruise through the Pennsylvania countryside. Your first challenge will be to get to the staring point! LOL!

#### PLEASE LET ME KNOW BY APRIL 22nd via EMAIL IF YOU ARE ATTENDING

I have included the Tech Inspection Sheet, so you know what to look at before you come out. We will be looking at each car before you can get the green flag to go!

Where we end up at depends on the number of participants, so head count determines ending point......"talking about planning to the last detail and minute"!

Also, if you have not yet renewed your membership, please do. A renewal form is in this newsletter. I would like to get a membership list completed and out to you all by May 15th.

There is a lot of reading material in this newsletter, so read on!

See You at the Pizza Party! Oh Yea, Pizza Party is on the Club.

Thanks...... Vince Luppino E-mail: Luppinov@verizon.net



### **April 2023 GENERAL MEETING/ Pizza Party**



Saturday, April 8, 2023 at 1:00pm

Pina's II Pizzeria & Restaurant 822 Nazareth Pike Nazareth, PA 18064 610-614-0100

## **Upcoming Shows and Events**

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION		
Tuesday April 4, 2023 7:30pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Via Conference Call		
Saturday April 8, 2023	General Meeting / PIZZA Party @ 1:00 pm	Pina's II Pizzeria & Restaurant 822 Nazareth Pike Nazareth, PA 18064 610-614-0100		
Saturday April 8, 2023 4:00pm to 7:00pm	MOPAR Madness Cruise	Emmaus Community Park 1375 Shimerville Road Emmaus, PA		
Saturday April 29, 2023	Hex Barn Sign Road Rally	9:30 am Check-In for Start of Tech Inspection Behind Bank for lease (Empty Lot) at Route 100 and Old Route 22 (Take Fogelsville exit off I78, thru first traffic light, empty bank on right)		
Tuesday May2, 2023 7:30pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Via Conference Call		
Saturday May 13, 2023	General Meeting @ 1:00 pm	Trivet Diner-Allentown 4549 Tilghman Street Allentown, PA 18104 610-398-3886		



## June 2 - 4, 2023

Gate-n-Go Deadline

**APRIL 18, 2023** 

More Gate-n-Go Details

**Event Hours** 

Thursday: Set-Up Day Fri- Sat: 7AM- 6PM

Sunday: 7AM-12PM

Admission

Daily Thurs - Sat: \*\$15

Sunday: \$7 at Gate (Free with Event

Ticket)

Spectator Event Pass: \*\$30

Kids 12 and Under FREE

\*Online tickets discounted.

Location

Carlisle

**Fairgrounds** 

1000 Bryn Mawr Rd

Carlisle, PA 17013



### **Happy Birthday!**

Lynn Miller 4/7	Skip Panowitz 4/27
Wendy Young 4/10	Fred Wert 4/27
Gary Hellings 4/14	Roger Behler 4/27



## April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
						APBIL FOOLS	
Peanut Butter  Jelly  Bay!	3	4 Board Meeting	5	6	national BEER bay	8 Pizza Party	
9	10	11	Happy Hational Inches Day!	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
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#### **MOPAR MADNESS of Lehigh Valley 2023 Cruise Schedule**

Location: Emmaus Community Park 1375 Shimerville Road Emmaus, Pa



April 8 (4-7pm)	June 10 5-8pm)	August 12 (5-8pm)	October 14 (3-6pm)
April 29 (4-7pm)		August 26 (5-8pm)	October 28 (3-6pm)
May 13 (5-8pm)	July 8 (5-8pm)		
May 27 (5-8pm)	July 29 (5-8pm)	September 30 (4-7pm)	

#### NO HOTRODDING, NO ALCOHOL PERMITTED AT ANY CRUISE EVENT

All Makes and Models are welcome. 100% of your donations are given to DREAM COME TRUE, a charity for chronically ill children.



#### **Two Great Locations for 2023**



April 23	June 25	September 10
May 7	July 9	September 24
May 21	July 23	October 8
June 11	August 13	October22

Open to all vehicles

Located in the Allentown Fairgrounds

17th & Chew Streets

4 to 7pm <u>except</u> August 13th 4 to 8pm

Door Prizes & Specials with Good Food and Good Music

Benefits: Mountainview Horse Rescue

and other charities



April 19 (4-7pm)	August 16 (5-8pm)
May 17 (5-8pm)	September 20 (4-7pm)
June 21 (5-8pm)	October 18 (4-7pm)
July 19 (5-8pm)	* All dates subject to weather*

Open to all vehicles
15110 Kutztown Rd Kutztown, Pa
Music by Hodge Podge Variety
Door Prizes - Trophies - 50/50
Great Food, Great Music, Great Fun!
Benefits: Good Shepard and other charities

\*\* 10% discount on dinner bill with door prize ticket\*\*



The Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Club does not follow....WE LEAD!

Join fellow club members on SATURDAY, May 20th at:
The Inside Scoop ice cream shop @ 2:00pm to show off your
Thunderbird or "appreciation" of Thunderbirds!

301 N 3rd Street

Coopersburg, PA 18036

#### So...What's Up with Ford and a New Thunderbird?

With Carlisle Ford Nationals coming up in June, I started to hunt around the internet to see if there were any rumors of a new T-Bird. What I found is listed below:





#### 2023 FORD THUNDERBIRD IS HAPPENING AFTER ALL

🎍 Dan 🗿 February 9, 2022 🖿 Cars, Ford, Thunderbird 🔍 Leave a comment 👁 11,975 Views

After years of rumors, now it's official: Ford trademarked the Thunderbird name. This means the 2023 Ford Thunderbird is making a comeback in the coming months. Blue Oval manufacturer has filed to trademark the Thunderbird name with the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The filling includes categories such as concept motor vehicles and four-wheeled motor vehicles. It is clear as day that the popular T-bird is coming back, but we don't know in which form.



#### 2023 Ford Thunderbird Release Date

The upcoming 2023 Ford Thunderbird will possibly return later in 2022, or in early 2023. We are waiting for the first details, but reliable reports are saying it will be an all-electric vehicle. However, we don't know if the Thunderbird will arrive as a coupe or as a crossover. Something is happening and we can't wait to hear more about this huge comeback, so stay tuned.

#### So...Do You think this will happen?

#### **CarsFinal**

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**FORD** 

# 2023 Ford Thunderbird Specs, Price, MPG & Reviews

September 8, 2022

2023 Ford Thunderbird – Ford has registered the Thunderbird moniker as a trademark, putting an end to years of speculation over the matter. This indicates that Ford will bring back the 2023 Thunderbird at some point in the next several months. The Blue Oval maker has submitted an application to the United States Patent and Trademark Office in order to trademark the term "Thunderbird." The filling consists of a variety of different categories, including "concept motor vehicles" and "four-wheeled motor vehicles." It is as plain as the nose on your face that the well-known T-bird will be making a comeback, but we do not know in what shape.



2023 Ford Thunderbird

It is possible that it will once again take the form of a personal luxury automobile. On the other hand, Ford is capable of making a crossover version of the Mustang Mach-E as they did before. There is a significant probability that the all-electric powertrain will be available for the 2023 Thunderbird. Whatever the case may be, there are certain insiders who are strongly recommending that the whole system be electrified. However, we still do not know if the Thunderbird model will come back as a sedan, crossover, or any other kind of vehicle.

#### 2023 Ford Thunderbird Review

The Thunderbird model made its debut in 1955. It was produced for a total of eleven generations until finally being discontinued in 2005. Due to the fact that it is such a famous vehicle, the revival of the 2023 Ford Thunderbird makes complete and utter sense. Ford marketed this vehicle as a personal luxury coupe for sale. It was a highly configurable vehicle that offered a wide variety of trim levels and varied possible setups. Thunderbird was available as a two-door automobile with either a convertible top or a fixed roof, both of which had a rear seat option.

However, the Thunderbird was often configured as a traditional two-seater. This vehicle was originally produced until 1997, but in 2002, Ford made another attempt to bring the nameplate back into production. Given that previous models, like as the Maverick, Mach-E, and Bronco, have already been brought back into production, the revival of the Thunderbird is a very obvious next step. On the other hand, we can be certain that it won't be anything at all like the generations that came before it.

This is a challenging situation. Yes, Ford has registered a trademark for the Thunderbird, although it is unknown which iteration of this car will be brought back into production. There are a few different conclusions that might be drawn from this. To begin, we have heard that the **new 2023 Ford Thunderbird** may make a comeback as a supercar that competes with the Chevrolet Corvette. In our view, this occurrence is very improbable to take place. After all, the firm already sells Mustang automobiles, in addition to a large number of distinct variations on the Mustang model.

Another possibility, and one that is more plausible, is the all-electric crossover version of the Ford Thunderbird. It is reasonable to assume this, given the proliferation of crossovers and SUVs in recent years. Having said that, this is just a random guess. The classic two-seater luxury coupe is the third kind of vehicle that may emerge from this scenario. In this scenario, Thunderbird would only be available in restricted quantities, and the purchase price would most likely be rather high. As of right now, everything is only a rumor, therefore we will wait for Blue Oval to make a comment before we believe anything.

So...definitely a lot of internet chatter and interesting that two websites have similar pictures of concept car. Time will tell....Is Ford serious?

#### And Even more internet chatter on the Corvette fighter version of the THUNDERBIRD!



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# A New Version Of The Ford Thunderbird Looks Ready For A Nameplate Revival

HotCars digital artist Rostislav Prokop incorporates classic design elements with a modern taste that begs for a rebirth of the famous T-bird.

BY CODY COLELLA PUBLISHED JAN 31, 2023







Well, I'm all in if this is what it looks like!

Jim Farley......DO IT!



## Troy's Trivia

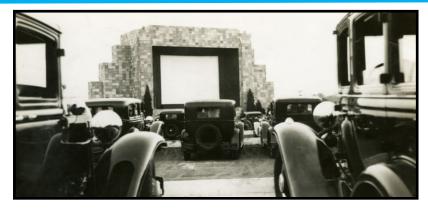
## THIS DAY IN **HISTORY** JUNE 06 ~

1933



## First drive-in movie theater opens

On June 6, 1933, eager motorists park their automobiles on the grounds of <u>Camden Drive-In</u>, the first-ever drive-in movie theater, located on Admiral Wilson Boulevard in Pennsauken, <u>New Jersey</u>.





#### First Drive-In Movie Cost:

25 cents per car plus 25 cents per person.
3 or more was capped to \$1.00 max, to be
Family friendly!

#### The First Drive-In Movie:

Wife Beware (also called "Two White Arms"), which tells a story of a man who is bored by his marriage, fakes amnesia in order to pursue affairs with other women,

So much for Family Movies!





# Lehigh Valley Thunderbird Club Renewal Form 2023

Membership fee is \$25.00 per year. Please make check payable to LVTC.

Please mail your completed application form and check to:

LEHIGH VALLEY THUNDERBIRD CLUB Treasurer

1041 Buggy Whip Drive

Warrington, PA 18976

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(Please Print Clearly)
Name:
Birthdate:
Spouse's Name:
Birthdate:
Address: E-mail Address:
City: State: Zip Code:
Home Phone: Cell/Mobile Phone:
Thunderbird Information
Year: VIN#: License#/State:
Body Type: Coupe Convertible Landau Roadster Hardtop Sunroof Town Hardtop 4-Door
Current Mileage: Exterior Color: Interior Color:
Insurance Company Name: Policy #:
How do you use your Thunderbird: Daily Transportation 2nd Car Hobby
How would you rate your Thunderbird: 5(show quality) 4 3 2 1(needs total restoration)
Please circle as many below that best describes the condition of your Thunderbird:
All Original Restored for fun use Needs Restoration Total Restoration Restored for Show only
Do not currently have a Thunderbird
Attach picture of your Thunderbird here:

## Chewy Oatmeal Raisin Cookies





#### Recipe courtesy of Food Network Kitchen

A little bit of apple butter adds moisture, flavor and sweetness to these cakey cookies and acts as a butter substitute.

Level: Easy

Total: 1 hr 40 min

Prep: 20 min Inactive: 1 hr Cook: 20 min Yield: 2 dozen

#### Ingredients:

Boiling water

1/2 cup raisins

1 cup whole-wheat pastry flour, spooned and leveled

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon baking soda

1/4 teaspoon kosher salt

1/4 cup apple butter

3 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened

1/2 cup light brown sugar

1 large egg

1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

3/4 cup rolled oats (not quick-cooking)

#### **Directions:**

- 1. In a small bowl, add the raisins and cover with boiling water. Let stand 5 minutes. Once plumped, drain the raisins and set aside to cool completely.
- 2 2. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F, and arrange racks in the lower and upper thirds.
- 3. Whisk together the flour, cinnamon, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a medium bowl.
- 4. In the bowl of an electric mixer, beat the apple butter, butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the egg and vanilla until combined. With the mixer on low speed, gradually add the flour mixture until just combined; stir in the oats and raisins.
- 5. Using a rounded tablespoon, drop the cookies onto parchment-lined baking sheets about 2 inches apart (12 per sheet). Bake until the cookies are no longer wet-looking in the center, 14 to 16 minutes, rotating pans halfway through. Transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.



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# EASTER Word SEARCH



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UEPSMUNASPOEH



BASKET CHICKS EASTER HOPS BUNNY DUCKS EGGS HUNT

ARROT DYE GRASS SPRING









## HEX BARN SIGN

## "RUN TOWARDS THE SUN"

## **Road Rally**

## Saturday April 29, 2023

Join your fellow Lehigh Valley Club Members for an enjoyable run through the back roads of Pennsylvania, admiring the scenic lush countryside as it is coming into bloom. Oh, yes, you have to look for the Hex Signs on the barns, watch for animals in the road, maneuver some nice corners and even see some birds (real ones) in your travels.

Look for final details in the April THUNDERWORD Newsletter, for starting location and finish locations. The Rally is not about speed, it is about accuracy and safety.

Please note you can bring whatever vehicle you want, but since it is a THUNDER-BIRD Club, T-Birds are preferred!

Also, each vehicle will have to pass Tech Inspection to participate. A Copy of inspection form for Tech Inspection can be found on next page.

Please let me, Vince Luppino, know if you are going to participate by 4/22/23.



**Team Members:** 1. Driver:

2. Navigator:

## Hex Barn Sign

"Run Towards The Sun"

## Road Rally Tech Inspection Form



	Vehicle:					
Item Checked		Go	No Go	Comments		
1. Vehicle Registration Valid						
2. Vehicle	Insurance Card Val	id				
3. Horn Op	erates					
4. Brake Li	ghts Operate					
5. Headligl	nts Operate					
6. Taillight	s Operate					
7. Turn sig	nals Operate					
8. Back-Up	Lights Operate					
9. Windshield Condition						
10. Wipers and Washers Operate						
11. Equipp	ed with Inside Mir	ror				
12. Equipped with D/S door Mirror						
13. Heater and Defroster Operate		erate				
14. Seatbelts Operate						
15. Door/Hood Latches Operate						
16. Tire Condition						
17. Oil Level (Driver's word)						
18. Coolant Level (Driver's word)						
19. Fuel Gauge Operates and Level						

## THUNDERWORD Marketplace

Set of stock valve covers for 2006 Ford Mustang with 4.6 V8. Asking \$150.00 for set

Contact Tom @ 610-703-6325



1966 Thunderbird Landau style roof 68,000 miles

Vehicle was stripped and sealer primed.

New tires, New brakes and hardware, new master cylinder.

Interior apart due to prepping for body work. Floor and body solid.

390 cid, C 6 transmission. Car does starts,run and drives

Garage kept no time to work on. Great project car. Price is reasonable compared to other classics. 5500.00. OBO

215 738 1435 EMAIL myteacher302@gmail.com



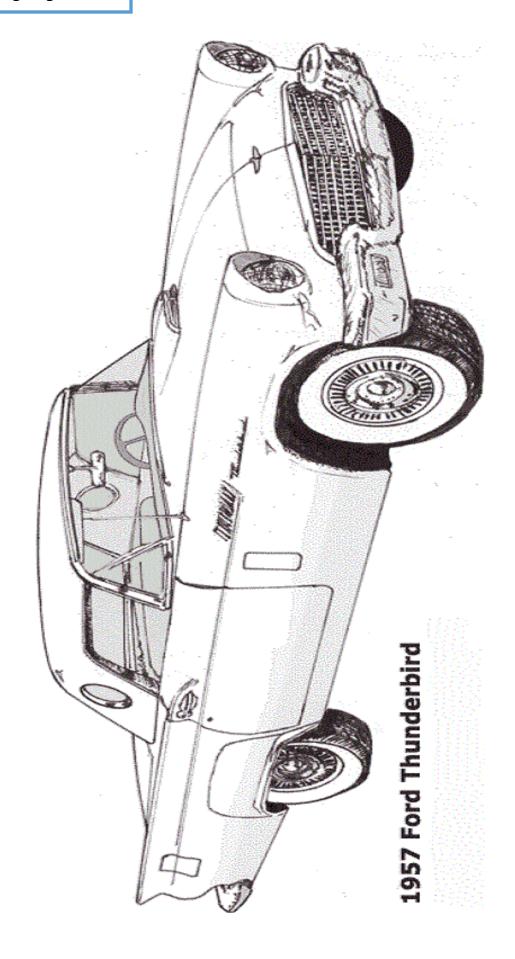








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