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Bay Area Thunderbird Owners' Club (BATOC)

Club Tidbits

BATOC Club Monthly meeting is on the second Sat of each month at:

The Buttercup Grill & Bar 660 Ygnacio Valley Road Walnut Creek CA

10am - noon \$20 for breakfast Next meeting: Jan 13, 2018

If the meeting is cancelled, members will be informed by email or phone call.

Spare Change for Charity

Starting in 2018, please bring your spare change to our monthly meetings. We are collecting this money to be given to various charitable organizations at year end. This will be an easy way to achieve our goal and lighten up our pockets and purses. Thanks to Sue Mathieson for organizing this.

New Officer Slate for 2018

Position	Nominee
President	Dave Adams
Vice President, Webmaster	Guy Cummins
Secretary	Kim Dixon
Treasurer	Maria Guthrie
Historian, Newsletter, CTCI	Jean Riley
Activities Chairman	Mary Cummins
BATOC Store Manager	Lisa Brill-Nadler
Ms. Sunshine	Lita Schaffer
Ms. Recognition	Kathy Ramos

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BATOC CHRISTMAS PARTY A ROARING SUCCESS

As usual, the BATOC Christmas party was a total success. Thanks go out to Diana & Jack Starr for putting on a truly special event. We were able to enjoy the beautiful Rossmoor Dollar Clubhouse, and the catering was superb. But the best of all was the gift exchange. We had much frivolity with the snatching of gifts from each other as usual. We also had a large number of children's toys brought for the Toys for Tots Drive. A great time was had by all!







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PRES SAYS



2018 AND BEYOND - OR GOODBYE 2017

Well, once again we've made it to the end of yet another fabulous year...(he says in jest). We've had a lot of fun, seen a lot of new places, met many new people and friends, experienced some adventures and disasters and made it through many challenges and changes...and I'm just talking about me. How was your year? LOL

In all seriousness though, it has been a good year for the club with many new members and a renewed enthusiasm that runs trough the whole club. This has manifested itself in many of you stepping up to the plate and taking on new roles, new board members, new committees and an exciting trip in the works across Route 66. How fun is all of this? Good Job To Everyone.

And on that topic. I extend my VERY sincere thanks to our new officers for this year. This, of course, starts with what you are reading right now and Jean Riley jumping in as Newsletter Editor. That is not only a big job, but probably the most important role in the club because it keeps us all connected and pointed in the same direction. Here's to Jean in her third – count them – THIRD position in this club. Editor, Historian and CTCI Rep. Amazing.

And then there is Guy Cummins stepping up to V.P. – another amazingly important role. Officially promoting the club, recruiting new members, handling name badges, grille plaques, membership packets and club communications – all while providing comedic levity to the entire club. Here's to Guy's second – count them – second important role.....V.P., Web Master and, of course, support for his wife Mary as Activities Chair. Thanks to all off you.

On a more specific note. Here's to great Christmas party put on by Jack & Diana Starr. After all, who can complain about an open bar? No one in this club would ever even think of it. Good food, well organized, our usual holiday gift exchange and a very nice collection of Toys For Tots. Great job Jack & Diana.

Of course, January brings all the new beginnings and resolutions, etc. It also brings the Presidents' Mystery Tour, which has been an even bigger mystery than in previous years. However, it has fallen together and will be a fun day. There is a cryptic flyer enclosed here and a brief explanation for those of you that need at least a little information. The long story short – January 14th, on the Peninsula, to the moon and mountains for fascination, food, fun and driving. What more do you need to know?

Also, remember that January 13th is our regular meeting and there'll be a lot of things to discuss. We are honing in on our Route 66 trip and we will be getting serious about finalizing those plans, making hotel reservations and setting the amusement agenda. Come join us and make this your trip, as well. It's going to be great.

I'm sure there are things I've forgotten to mention here, but I will leave you now in the very capable hands of your new Editor, Jean and I will see you all next week.

Happy T-Birding

Dave

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BATOC meeting minutes Dec. 9, 2017

In Attendance 30 members

The Calendars are in. We've ordered 125 and we've sold about 86 so far, if you need a calendar, send Dave an email. Thank you's to the Dixon's for the Redwood weekend, and Greg Canella for the Red Oak Victory ship and Rosie tour. ! Both outings were a huge success. Jack Starr spoke about the Christmas party. If you haven't paid up you need to and choose your food options. Don't forget your toy for toys for tots and don't forget your gift for the gift exchange game. The map is on the internet if you don't know how to get to Rossmoor. Party will be held Dec 22 in Rossmoor. The car report from Jim and Maria: Jim and Maria sold the Studebaker. They sold it to a guy who also owns a '57 thunderbird and may join this club. The Thunderbird is painted and now being put back together. The mystery tour will be held on Sunday January 14. Be ready for a surprise! We will do driving, since that's the whole point of the car club. If you need any orders like hats, duffels, or T-shirts you can reach Lisa to buy. Also orders can be placed through the BATOC.ORG web-site. A report came back from Tony Lloyd about the grill plagues for the retro's. He said that they checked into other companies to see if they could be ordered and it isn't cost effective. A suggestion was made to contact some other clubs and see who or what company that they use to have their grill plaques made. Route 66 report: Guy passed out the minutes from their last meeting. The hotels and stops are set, if you're interested in joining in contact the Cummins, they are "in the know". Guy had a package of 25 "Motorola Service Manuals" for Thunderbird radios if you need one. He has many extra. The 60th anniversary party. It will be held in June, there was talk to holding on "The Chardonnay" Catamaran out of Santa Cruz during the month of June. We are looking at putting together a committee. Eran and Mary Cummins will co-chair this committee, if you'd like to help them out send them an email. It was suggested, that as a fund raiser for this club... the members can collect their pennies and bring them into the meetings and Sue and Jack Mathieson would collect and roll of these pennies, and at the end of the year a check would be written to the charity chosen for that year. Everyone agreed that would be a great idea and it will be put in play. Don't forget! the BATOC dues are due and payable. That's \$40 for the year. Dave is going to bring up at the next board meeting is that our club initiation fees are too low at \$25 and it doesn't cover the costs of grill plagues name badges, etc.

Respectfully submitted, Kim Dixon Secretary

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BATOC BUCKS PROGRAM

BATOC Bucks are handed out to members according to participation in club activities.

Don't set them aside and forget about them. BATOC Bucks are as good as cash and should be redeemed. Their value is 1:10 meaning 10 bucks are worth \$1.00.

The bucks are distributed as follows:

Attending a meeting	10 per family
Attending an outing	15 per family
Driving your TBird to a meeting or outing	10 per car
Wearing your badge or jacket	2 per person
Bringing a raffle prize to the meeting	15 per prize
Hosting an event/outing	100 per event

Bring in 200 bucks and you've earned a free meal at the meeting. Also, they are redeemable for items of apparel i.e.: T-shirts, jackets, hats, etc. You're missing out if you don't redeem your bucks so don't stash them away and forget about them. Keep them handy and bring them in.

Raffle Prizes

Bring a raffle prize to the monthly meeting. Gifts can be car related items, spirits, home décor, or regifts. This also helps add money to our treasury.

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Please Pay Your BATOC Dues

MEMBERSHIP DUES INVOICE

If you have already paid your dues, please ignore this invoice
If you have any questions please call Maria Guthrie at;
925-292-7643

2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES

\$40.00

Make Checks Payable To:

BATOC C/O Maria Guthrie 637 Yorkshire Ct. Livermore, Ca. 94551

DUE MARCH 30, 2018

Unpaid members will lose their membership on June 1, 2018

Renew your CTCI Membership at ctci.org You can pay online now!



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Passing the Baton!

Bob Dixon, longtime editor of WNIB, is passing the baton to Jean Riley. It will be very difficult to fill Bob's shoes, however, as his newsletters have been award winning and just astounding. Now he will have more time to spend with his grandkids and beautiful wife.

Thanks for your years of service Bob!



Upcoming Events

Event	Date
Monthly Meeting	Sat. Jan 13
President's Mystery Tour	Sun. Jan 14
Super Bowl Party	Sun. Feb 4

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President's Mystery Tour



President's Mystery Tour January 14, 2018

Join the Mystery...Join the Fun

A Day on the Peninsula,

A day in the sky in more ways than one,

Good Friends, Good Food, Good Skies.

Where we land, though, Nobody Knows.

RSVP To Dave, Now

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Route 66 Trip in October



And the planning continues.....

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Winter - Meetings Jan 13 / Feb 10

January 14 – President's Mystery Tour (Adams)

February 4 - Super Bowl Party, Livermore (Guthrie)

Spring - Meetings Mar 10 / Apr 14 / May 12

March XX - Group Outing: Bowling (Guthrie)

April 29 - Cruise (Benson)

May XX – Sutter Creek (xxxx)

May XX - BBQ (Cummins)

Summer - Meetings Jun 9 / Jul14 / Aug 11

June XX – Anniversary Party (TBD)

July XX – Hot Summer Nights #1 – Danville (TBA)

July XX – Coppola Winery (Verhoek)

August XX – Hot Summer Nights #2 – Danville (TBA)

August 15 - CTCI International Conference, Knoxville, TN

Sept XX - XX - Run to the Redwoods (Dixon)

Sept XX – Ironstone, Murphys, CA (Canfield)

Sept XX - Birds on the Wharf, Santa Cruz (TBD)

Oct 5 - 17 - Route 66 Trip

Nov XX – Veterans Parade (Baumgarter)

Winter - Meeting Dec 8

Dec XX - BATOC Holiday Party (TBD)

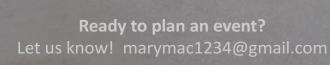
Events in Planning

Proposed Ideas / Hosts Needed

August Car Show - Niles

Delta Cruise (Haffner) Travis Airforce Base – (Baumgarter)

Autumn – Meetings Sept 8 / Oct 13 / Nov 10





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Printed Roster Coming Soon!

Guy Cummins is going to make a hardcopy roster for members to have in 2018

If there are any 2018 BATOC calendars left, please order via the batoc.org website or email Dave Adams (davehome@sbcglobal.net). The calendar is really splendid, as usual.



Jean Riley, Editor