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NEOC's 11th Annual All Oldsmobile Show a Success!



See inside for a full list of class winners as well as additional photos.



I would like to thank all the club members and volunteers that helped make our 11th annual show a great success!!!!!! Despite the rain showers in the morning and the unbearable heat during the day we all hung in there. Thanks to all that stepped up and helped Judge this year. Thanks to all committee chairmen and participants that made everything run smoothly. Great job guys!!!

Stephen Minore
Car Show Coordinator

Ever have this happen? By Bill Black

Since purchasing my 1970 Cutlass Supreme convertible about 7 years ago I've received many compliments. If I'm at a cruise, a car show, or just pulling into a parking space at a restaurant there have been numerous occasions when someone has come up and praised the car or just talked about how their father, uncle or whoever used to own one. Even while driving, thumbs up, hand waving or tooting of a horn have been common. Yea, I know what you're thinking, that's not unusual. We have all experienced receiving compliments about our Oldsmobiles. But have you had a two way conversation with another driver while driving sixty miles per hour? Let me explain.

On August 9th, the Bennington Vermont based Hem-

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2007 Christmas Party

Well once again, Basil and Rose have searched New England high and low for an establishment suitable to our high standards for our annual Christmas Party.

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Dates to Remember

October 4 - NEOC Mtg - Thursday at 7 PM
Jean Roy's in East Hartford, CT

November 1 - NEOC Mtg - Thursday at 7 PM
Mike Barillaro in Kensington, CT

December 1 - NEOC's Christmas Party
Elaine's Restaurant, Wethersfield, CT

September Meeting Notes

The meeting for September was purposely held short in order to allow us to prepare for the Annual NEOC all Oldsmobile show on Sunday the 9th. Your illustrious president was unable to make the meeting (something about a vacation) so VP Glenn filled in nicely. We had a brief (so short I didn't write it down) update on the nationals by Glen Morris.

In addition we talked about some of the recent club outings to Hemmings, Marks, and Dyno Day. Everyone expressed how much fun they had especially Larry who now has a new winter project added to his list.

Our show ad appeared in the Bargain News and hopefully got the word out to more interested parties about the show.

Drag Day was briefly discussed as the roster was full and those still wishing to play either needed to be lucky on the alternate list or sabotage a friends ride to get his space on the roster!

The date for the Christmas Party was discussed and Basil was getting additional information (this info is in this newsletter).

With all of the old business out of the way, the envelope stuffing commenced and final details completed. **RR**

2007 Christmas Party

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Once again, we will be getting together;

Saturday December 1st

Elaines Restaurant

1841 Berlin Turnpike
Wethersfield, CT 06109
Ph: 860-257-4191

We will start promptly at 6:00 pm for cocktails and a bit of friendly chat. At 7:00 pm (or thereabouts) dinner will be served. This year the menu consists of:

Appetizers:

Cheese & Cracker Platter

Dinner Buffet Menu:

Green Salad

Penne Pasta w/ Romano Cheese
in a Creamy Blush Sauce

Roasted Red Bliss Potato

Vegetable

Chicken Marsala-Chicken Sautéed w/ Mushrooms, Pro-
ciutto, Marsala Wine Dem-Glaze

Sirloin Tips Burgundy -NY Sirloin Sliced and Topped
with Burgundy Brown Sauce

Roast Pork Loin - In a Demi-Glaze

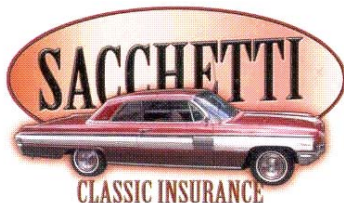
Dessert

Coffee Station

Remember your raffle prizes as this is becoming more fun as we go.

Price per person is \$31.00 for Adults & \$7 for children
We need a final count by November 23rd.

If you need any other details please contact Rose or Basil. **RR**



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NEOC 11th Annual Oldsmobile Car Show Winners

Class 1

1st place Don Jack, 1953 Holiday 98
 Runner up Dennis Lumbra, 1963 88
 Runner up James Worley, 1963 98

Class 2

1st place David Young, 1966 98 LS

Class 3

1st place Ronald Kosanko, 1983 Cutlass Supreme Run-
 ner up Roland Gamelin, 1978 Regency 98
 Runner up Will Nye, 1986 Cutlass
 Runner up Dennis Chalifoux, 1978 88

Class 4

1st place Dudley St. Jarre, 2003 Aurora
 Runner up Joel Junokas, 1995 Aurora
 Runner up Yvon Clarette, 1997 Cutlass Supreme

Class 5

No entries

Class 6

1st place Dan Alessandrini, 1964 Cutlass
 Runner up Matt Mildrum, 1964 Cutlass

Class 7

1st (tie) Gary Galardi, 1966 442
 1st (tie) Bill LaPierre, 1966 442
 Runner up John Kleedorfer, 1966 442
 Runner up Ed Malvarka, 1966 442
 Runner up Scott Edele, 1966 442

Class 8

1st place Chris Stanco, 1971 Cutlass
 Runner up Bill Black, 1970 Cutlass
 Runner up John Seuss, 1969 Cutlass
 Runner up Tim Whitman, 1972 Cutlass

Class 9

1st place Dominic Lucibello, 1969 442

Class 10

1st place Scott Pierce, 1969 Cutlass W-31
 Runner up John Seuss, 1969 H/O

Class 11

1st place Jack Bielinski, 1970 442
 Runner up Mike DeMartino, 1970 442
 Runner up Robert Vedouelli, 1970 Cutlass SX

Class 12

1st place Yves Jacques, 1972 H/O
 Runner up Jack Ellsworth, 1972 442 W-30
 Runner up Tony Lupporelli, 1970 442
 Runner up Tim Zammiello, 1970 442 W-30
 Runner up Erik Bourenko, 1972 442 W-30

Class 13

1st place Jeff Bucci, 1984 H/O
 Runner up Rob Vazzana, 1979 H/O
 Runner up Anthony Ciminera, 1987 442
 Runner up Mike Barillaro, 1973 Cutlass

Class 14

1st place Bill Nostin, 1969 442
 Runner up Tim Zigmont, 1967 442
 Runner up Mike Babij, 1968 Cutlass

Class 15

1st place Don Mucci 1986 Cutlass

Class 16

1st place Ruth Jack, 1972 442
 Runner up Glen Morris, 1968 Cutlass Ram-Rod
 Runner up Don Soukup, 1964 Cutlass
 Runner up Paul Girard, 1965 Jet Star
 Runner up Michael Librandi, 1965 Cutlass

Class 17

1st place Art Mafale
 Runner up David Kristjansson, 1970 Cutlass
 Runner up Adrien Adam, 1966 Cutlass

Appreciation awards

Dan Fine
 H. Teixeira
 Jeff Bryers
 Thomas Mays
 Bruce Plourde

Schaller Best of Show

Yves Jacques, 1972 H/O

NEOC Best of Show

Gary Galardi, 1966 442

Best Paint Chris Stanco, 1971 Cutlass
 Best Engine Bill LaPierre, 1966 442
 Best Interior Brian Becker, 1970 W-30

Don Ross Awards

Glen Morris
 Bill Black



Trophies are ready and anticipation builds as Earl starts to call names!

NEOC 2007 Show (cont'd)



Our Best of Show Winners
NEOC Best of Show - Gary Galardi's 1966 442 (above)
Schaller Best of Show - Yves Jacques' 1972 H/O (left)



Modified cars were out in force this year ranging from mild to full race.



W-Machines as far as can see!



Choose your poison, a potent small block 350 in a '69 W-31 or the rule breaker H/O stuffed with 55 cubes more than the General allowed?



Let's hear it for the big cars! It's nice to see some tender care extended to those cars with the big back seats...





The Senior Class judges had a hard job with so many nice cars in the class!



Not sure why Don Jack displays his age so prominently on his car's show display board...



Chris Stanco with his Best Paint trophy



The mid seventies Cutlass' and 442's are starting to gain popularity, here is Mike Barillaro's '73 442.

Convertible anyone?
Most had their tops up from the showers that helped to clear off the dust from the drive.



Yes folks this is the same car you saw in pieces last year! Seem Gus decided that at least one of his Oldsmobiles ought to run!

Some nice, mostly original cars showed up. Amazing what some TLC over the years can help preserve.



Bill LaPierre displays the engine he meticulously detailed.



Ever have this happen?

By Bill Black

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mings Motor News, held their summer semi-monthly cruise. NEOC president, Bill LaPierre, thought it would be fun to attend the cruise with a showing of club member's Oldsmobiles. The plan was to form a caravan of Oldsmobiles, and drive into the show field as one unit. The caravan formation was set for Holyoke Massachusetts at 3:30 PM. My wife, Ellen, and I decided to join in the fun and to stay overnight in Bennington coming home the next day.

As we drove up I-91 with the top down (of course), to meet the caravan in Holyoke, we slowed down to about sixty as we approached the winding portion of the road south of Springfield. Suddenly I heard someone yell, "Hey". I looked to my left and there was a woman driving a Volkswagen Jetta convertible. She had her left hand on the steering wheel and her right hand cupped around her mouth so she could be heard. She turned towards me, sat up in her seat and said in a loud voice, "My father has the exact same Cutlass Supreme convertible!"

I usually respond by saying, "That's great, how does he like it and what shape is it in, and does he drive it a lot." Or maybe something clever, like, "Well, this isn't your father's Oldsmobile." However, at sixty miles an hour and trying to concentrate on my driving, I just yelled back "That's great."

Our cars came closer together as she continued, "He wouldn't give it to me so I had to buy this," as she smiled and pointed down with her right hand and made an 'Oh well' type of gesture with her shoulders. Ellen and I laughed and so did the mystery woman as she sped off, never to be seen again.

I like to be fair and give everyone an equal chance, but if I was her father and she drove like that I wouldn't give her my Oldsmobile either. **RR**

Cruise to Hemmings

On Thursday August 9th NEOC invaded Hemmings Cruise in Bennington, VT with what they said was the largest single make showing yet at one of there cruises! Come on and join us next time! **RR**



All kinds of interesting iron showed up!

Popcorn anyone? The price was right as was entrance to the Hemmings Museum.



Nicely restored early Toronado dressed in classy black.



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Talk about service! When was the last time a uniformed attendant filled your car?



Directions To The Next Couple of Meetings

The **October meeting** will be hosted by Jean Roy on **Thursday October 4th.**

Jean Roy — 860-568-4280
139 O'Connell Dr., East Hartford, CT

Directions:

From the North, East and West;

From I-84, take Rout 2 south out of Hartford towards Norwich/new London. At SR-2 Exit 5C, turn off onto Ramp. Turn LEFT (East) onto Maple St. for 1.0 mile. Turn RIGHT (South) onto Forbes St. for 0.2 mi. Turn LEFT (East) onto O'Connell Dr. and go 0.4 mi. to #139.

From the South;

From I-91 (North) get off at Exit 25-26, turn off onto Ramp 0.4 mi CT-3 / Glastonbury / Old Wethersfield. Merge onto SR-3 [Maple St] (North) 1.4 mi. Turn off onto Ramp 0.3 mi Main St / Glastonbury. Turn LEFT (East) onto Glastonbury Blvd 0.3 mi. Continue (East) on Griswold St 0.6 mi. Turn LEFT (North) onto Prospect St 0.4 mi. Continue (North) on Forbes St 0.2 mi. Turn RIGHT (East) onto O'Connell Dr. Go 0.4 mi to #139.

The **November meeting** will be hosted by Mike Barillaro in Kensington, CT on **Thursday Nov. 1st.**

Mike Barillaro
228 Lower Lane, Kensington, CT 06037
860-828-3812

Directions:

From Hartford and the north: I-91 South to exit 22N (Route 9 North). Follow Route 9 North for 2.5 miles. Take Exit 22. At Bottom of ramp (there will be a Saturn Dealer to your left), take a left onto Frontage Rd. Follow Frontage Rd to the end (approx 2/10 mi). At traffic light take left onto Webster Square Rd. Follow Webster Square Rd to the end (approx 3/10 mi). Take right onto Mill St. Follow Mill St (becomes Farmington Ave) for 4/10 mi, to second traffic light. Take left onto Lower Lane. Follow Lower Lane for 4/10 mi. #228 will be white house on the right.

From the south: take I-91 North to Exit 22N-S for Route 9 North then proceed as above.

From the East: take I-84 West to I-91 South and proceed as above.

From the West: Take I-84 East to Exit 39A for Route 9 South. Follow Route 9 South for 7 ½ Miles to Exit 23 (Christian Lane). Take right onto Christian Lane and proceed to the second traffic light (1/2 Mi). Take a left onto Farmington Ave. Follow Farmington Ave for 3/10 mi. to first traffic light and take right onto Lower Lane. Follow Lower Lane for 4/10 mile. #228 will be white house on the right.

Rocket Classifieds

Club members are entitled to ONE free ad per issue. There is no charge for members. Insert a photograph for better results. Please submit ads by the 15th of the month. Email submissions are preferred, but snail mail is fine. If you need photos scanned and returned, please include a SASE.. Note: ads only run for 1 month, please renew monthly.

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