

# Paw Prints

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Why Join? Lonnie's Engine
- Intake Manifold
- Holiday Party

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## A Letter from the Editor

What is it like to be a member of a club? What is it like to be a member of our club? Why join a club at all?

I know the answer to every one of those questions. Do you?

For me, to be a member of a club means joining a community of people with something in common. To be able to be with and talk with people who share something you care about. It meant officially becoming part of a club that took me in and made me feel like one of them when I joined the GTOACO. I owned a Mercury when the people of this club made me feel that way. Our President, Ron

Cozzo, actually helped me with the engine project on that car in his garage. When I got my GTO, the first thing I did was join this club. Since then, I've been doing everything I could to repay the kindness and I feel like I've found my home.

I share that with everyone and anyone who might be or should be interested in being a part of our family.

This month there's another example of how we come together as a club and why it's great to be a member.

What does being a member of our club mean to you? Send me a couple paragraphs and I'll

put them, your picture and/or a picture of your car in the Paw Prints.

Also note that starting this month with John Hoffman's beautiful and FAST 06, I will be putting a different member's car on the front of each month's newsletter. Time to showcase those beautiful rides. So send me the picture you want me to use if not one I have (krusso\_sp@hotmail.com).

Until the March meeting, stay safe and stay warm! Spring has to be coming soon! Please? ;)

—Kevin



John Hoffman's 06



# Why Join? Lonnie and His Engine by Kevin Russo



So, our club member Lonnie McLaughlin's 1967 GTO convertible is an absolutely beautiful car.

It's won quite a few plaques, trophies and placed in popular vote at the 2009 GTOAA/POCI Co-Vention.

But recently, the 67's power plant has been providing undercoating. It's been leaking oil and it looked like it was coming from the rear main seal.

Well, since the best way to replace a rear main is to have the engine out of the car, why not let that inevitable case of the "While-You're-In-There" take over and refresh the seals and check on the internals.

Looking for a little help, Lonnie turned to his fellow GTOACO members to help get it out of the engine compartment. What better way to spend a cold winter's Saturday than to yank out an engine. Right? RIGHT! Take a guess at how many showed up. Go ahead. SEVEN! Yep, you read right 7 club members. The best thing about that is that this is not a rare occurrence. If a club member needs help, even at a show, you will find a number of fellow club members there to offer a helping hand. Doing things like this is all a great part of being a member of a great club.

After Lonnie spent 3 weeks cleaning sealing and painting it, four club members showed up to help drop it back in and fire it up; ready for the show season and the 50th anniversary celebration of the introduction of the GTO! And our story continues, because a couple weeks later, Lonnie was out with 3 other members helping club VP Kevin Landis replace some suspension parts on his '64 GTO!

A lot of people might ask, "Why join this club? I go out with my classic Pontiac and park with my friends or park with other Pontiacs at that show. I can sit around and talk with them all I want." Well, if this didn't convince you of one very good reason to join our club, then maybe you really like to be a loner. I don't. I love being a part of this club. I love the people and everything we do together and I think you would too. I invite you to come and see what a great club is like. Join the GTOACO! Club members, share this article and this Paw Prints with anyone you know.

Enjoy the next couple pages of pictures of this club having a great time together while helping another member out!



# Lonnie and His Engine



Cherry picker is ready!



Out she comes....



On the stand....



Disassembling...



Draining ....



Beer in one hand, a crank in the other!

# Lonnie and His Engine



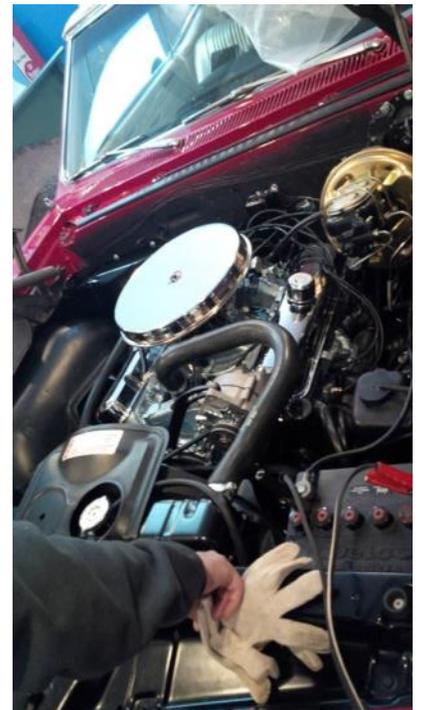
After a couple weeks, ready to drop in!



Easy, easy, keep coming...



...and it's in!



Let's fire her up!



Getting ready to fire...

# Lonnie and His Engine with bonus pics!



The fog? It's exhaust after firing it up!



A couple weeks later, back at it on Kevin Landis' 64 suspension! This is what being in this club is like!

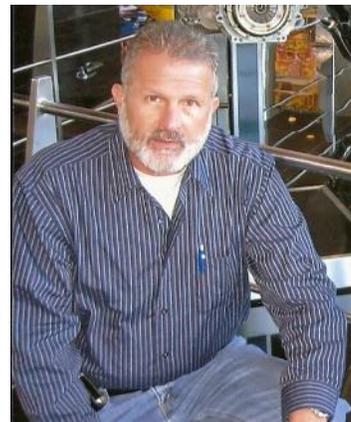
# Intake Manifold Caution by Steve Schaeffer



I just read an amazing article in the February 2014 issue of "Super Chevy". They installed a new composite intake on a 383 cubic inch Chevy engine on a street driven Corvette project car and gained 30 horsepower at the rear wheels. The problem is that they used a single plane intake manifold and ran the test from 2,500 rpm up to 6,000 rpm. I have no problem with a composite intake and I am sure they are an improvement over a cast iron intake or an aluminum intake but don't try to run a single plane intake on a real street car.

The bulk of your driving in a real street car is from idle to 3,500 rpm. A single plane intake just won't cut it under these conditions. I replaced my stock cast iron dual plane intake and Q-Jet Carb with an Edelbrock Torker II single plane intake and an Edelbrock 800 CFM carb on a 462 cubic inch Pontiac engine running a 4 speed wide ratio Muncie transmission and a 3.31 12 bolt posi rear end. The top end charge was incredible, from 3,000 rpm up it would rip your head off. However the car was no longer able to be driven around town. The single plane intake killed the bottom end. It was running so poorly from idle to 2,000 rpm that the gas mileage dropped to single digits and the engine wanted to run 20 degrees hotter in summer traffic from light to light.

On the street the answer is to run a dual plane intake. I replaced the Torker II with a Performance Products Crosswind dual plane intake. This is the best of both worlds. I have the low end performance of my stock dual plane cast iron intake and the top end charge of the Torker II. Read some of these magazine articles with caution, and think about how you really drive your muscle car.



# Tiger Bites! - Noteworthy News Bites

- ◆ **2014 Summer Show:** Our contact at SafeAuto was let go and we no longer have that site nor the backing for our show. We are looking for alternative sites and still plan to do the Saturday cruise and Sunday Pontiac show. Our hope is to resolve this and have a site by the March meeting. See the meeting minutes for details.
- ◆ **2014 Swap Meet:** Is March 23, 2014. Jim will be there at 6:30am to get ready for the vendors. Come as early as you can to help setup or stay later to help clean up. Many hands make light work! Kevin Russo will send an email to gauge interest in breakfast before hand at Tee Jays.
- ◆ **2014 is the 50th Anniversary of the GTO!** The Nationals are in Pittsburgh and the Arthritis Foundation Car show (the weekend after the Nationals) is featuring the GTO for it's anniversary. Our club is planning to participate in that feature show within a show. Mark your calendars for it. July 11 & 12, 2014
- ◆ If you need to renew or are thinking of renewing your **GTOAA membership, please do so** to ensure our club remains a valid GTOAA chapter with all the benefits of that status. There is an application in your Paw Prints below and the GTOAA can now take membership applications on line.
- ◆ **Special Thanks to Lonnie and Lynne McLaughlin!** For hosting a great holiday party at their house. The food was perhaps the best we've had so a very extra special thanks to Lynne for making all that food. Finally, thanks to everyone who came and brought all the desserts! Pictures are already on our club Facebook page and will be in next month's Paw Prints!



## Welcome New Members!

- ◆ *No new members this month*

# For Sale

- ◆ For Sale! A TON of miscellaneous 1964–1969 GTO parts and some Pontiac Sales Literature for many years. See the club web site, in the Forum section in the For Sale Forum for the entire list and contact information (<http://www.gtoaco.com/forum/index.php>) CALL 440 254-4642 or email me ([patandgreg2011@hotmail.com](mailto:patandgreg2011@hotmail.com))
- ◆ DJ GTO Parts! Now your one stop shopping place for used and NEW GTO parts. If you know the part number, great, otherwise just let them know what it is you need! See Dan Gregory Jr. (or call 614-563-0877 or email [info@djgtoparts.com](mailto:info@djgtoparts.com)) for more information and options for taking delivery of your parts or visit their website at <http://djgtoparts.com/>. GTOACO members receive a discount!



- ◆ For Sale. '66-'67 GTO "Desert Cooler" copper and brass 4 core radiator from Ames. 15.5 inch core, standard shift, perfect condition. \$399.00 new, \$200.00. Hoses are top left, bottom right. Will fit '64-'65 if you use a '66-'67 gooseneck. Steve Schaeffer. 740-654-8959



*Send in your items for sale to your Paw Prints Newsletter Editor (pictures welcome).*

*Remember, ads are FREE to GTOACO Members!*



# Meeting Minutes February 12, 2014 Meeting

President Ron Cozzo called the meeting to order. Those in attendance Pam & Stan Farlow, Max Treier, Brent Barham, Lonnie & Lynne McLaughlin, Cody Ferguson, Brenda Ferguson, Steve Schaeffer, Joe Block, Bill Hartley, Jim Evans, Kevin Russo, Kevin Landis, Dan Gregory, Bill & Karen Sigg, Dan Gregory Jr., Shawn & Kim Rinehart, Donna & Ronnie Landis.

**Treasurers Report: Report:** The report was given by President Ron Cozzo for Treasurer Mike Shockley. Our thoughts and prayers to Mike as he went through another procedure.

**Holiday Party:** February 22nd at Lonnie & Lynne McLaughlin 5808 Tartan Circle N Dublin Ohio. Party starts at 6:00PM About 30 people have signed up to attend. Bring a desert.

**Auto Show March 13th-17th:** Set up is March 9th. Runs March 13-17. Club cars will be on display and promote our club.

**Swap Meet:** March 23rd at Haydocy: Kevin Landis got the food vendor. Same as last year. Flyer is done and mailed. Thanks to Jim Evans and Jeff Inskeep. Glad we changed the date to March instead of February due to our weather this year.

**Arthritis Foundation Show July 11th & 12th:** Jim Evans and Kevin Russo didn't make it to the meeting. They are encouraging people to pre-register. GTO's will be on the grass in front of the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Metro Place North with the other Pontiacs on the black top immediately behind the GTOs.

**GTOACO SHOW 2014:** Dates August 9th & 10th. Kevin Landis just found out that our contact with Safe Auto was let go. He was our contact for Boots and the radio station so now we are starting all over. We do have the band booked and it can be cancelled 90 days before the show. A few spots were brought up. Kevin Russo is checking with his employer. Crown Plaza or Doubletree. Kevin, Lonnie, Ron, Dan, Kevin Russo are working on getting another place. Lonnie is working on the food truck. It was decided that we will need two flyers. More updates at the March meeting. Hopefully we will have a place for the show.

**GTOACO Spring Cruise:** Once again Stan & Pam Farlow have two dates in mind. April 26th or May 3rd. A one day cruise to either Amish Country or Hocking Hills. They also have a proposed date for the fall cruise October 4th & 5th for Lexington, KY. More to come.

Meeting Adjourned: Lonnie McLaughlin, Joe Block 2nd.

*Next Meeting March 12, 2014*

Submitted by Donna Landis, Secretary



*Meetings held  
the 2nd  
Wednesday  
each month at  
Haydocy  
Automotive on  
W. Broad St.  
Columbus, OH*



## ***Meeting Agenda - March 12, 2014***

- Treasurer's Report, Mike Shockley
- Holiday Party - February 22
- Columbus Auto Show - March 13-17, set up Club display March 9.
- Swap Meet - March 23 setup from 6:30am
- GTOACO Summer Cruise-In and All Pontiac Show
  - Saturday August 9 Cruise-In
  - Sunday August 10 All Pontiac Show
  - Venue proposals - Kemba Financial, Gahanna  
Others?
  
- GTOACO Spring Cruise - Stan Farlow
- GTOAA Nationals, Pittsburg July 1-5 - Ron Cozzo
- Arthritis Foundation Show - July 11-12, Jim Evans, Kevin Russo
- Future GTOAA Nationals - Dan Gregory Sr.
- New Business
- Open Discussion
- Motion for Adjournment



# Calendar of Events

**March 12, 2014**

**Regular Meeting 7pm @ Haydocy Automotive**

To eat before the meeting be at Rooster's on West Broad St. anytime after 5:00PM. Roosters is located in the parking lot in front of the strip mall across the street from Jeg's former Broad St.

**March 23, 2014**

**2014 Swap Meet @ Haydocy Automotive**

Open to the public at 9am-1pm. Vendors arrive and set up starting at 7am.

**March 17, 2014**

**St. Patrick's Day!**

Get your Irish on!

**March 21, 2014**

**1st Day of Spring!**



## MARCH 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 Club Meeting 7pm @ Haydocy	13	14	15
16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 	19	20	21	22 Spring Starts! 
23 Swap Meet 9am @ Haydocy	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

# ALL PONTIAC INDOOR SWAP MEET

March 23, 2014

Enter on East Side of Building  
at the Service Entrance

*Haydocy*

HAYDOCY AUTOMOTIVE, 3985 WEST BROAD STREET, COLUMBUS, OH

VENDOR SET-UP 7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.  
OPEN TO PUBLIC 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

**10' x 10" spaces - \$15.00 each**  
**\$2.00 general admission**

For swap & vendor information call:

Jim Evans (740) 927-5302

e-mail: [gtoaco71@columbus.rr.com](mailto:gtoaco71@columbus.rr.com)

[www.gtoaco.com](http://www.gtoaco.com)

**Or write to:**

GTO Association of Central Ohio

13791 Cable Road, Pataskala, OH 43062

GTOACO and Haydocy Automotive are not responsible for any damage or injury.



**Parts!**



**Come find what you need!**



**Cars!**



**Memorabilia!**



**GTOAA Information**

Your chapter is an affiliated chapter with the GTO Association of America. You can join the National GTO organization, the GTOAA & receive the Golden Quill Award Winning publication, *The Legend*.

To Join complete the form below and mail in, or join online at [www.gtoaa.org](http://www.gtoaa.org)



**Membership Application**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mem #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**GTO Ownership is not a requirement of membership to the GTOAA**

**GTO OWNERSHIP**

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style \_\_\_\_\_ Engine \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style \_\_\_\_\_ Engine \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style \_\_\_\_\_ Engine \_\_\_\_\_

*I agree that, if elected to membership, I will conform to all rules of the Association and conduct myself in the manner that promotes the goals and purposes of the Organization.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DUES:**  
\$35.00/year for members in the USA, \$40.00USD/year for Canadian members, and \$50.00USD/year for all other international members. \$5.00 for associate memberships in the same family name (includes membership card, decal, and membership listing). There is a \$2.00 bank processing fee for applications paid by credit card.

CHECK / MO # \_\_\_\_\_

Mastercard / Visa Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp # \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Check/Money order payable to GTOAA:

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