

THE GOAT CONNECTION

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GTO CLUB OF THE GREATER SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Howdy GGG,

Happy Halloween GGG,

Hope those of you that celebrate Halloween have/had a great time, certainly a lot more options than last year with all of the pandemic restrictions. The amount of \$ spent on Halloween candy reported on the news totally blew me away.....

Recent back surgery went well and three weeks later can report that the procedure appears to have been successful in correcting the causes of all my previous symptoms. Can now walk and stand much longer than before without pain and am very grateful for that. Job now under Nurse Marsha's supervision is to do what the medical professionals and my physical therapist suggest I do. While that will not/does not always align with my perception of what I can do so far have pretty much toed the line. Fortunately pain was never an issue post-surgery and got by with over the counter pain meds. Post op appointment this coming Tuesday will be interesting to say the least.

Let's have an in person meeting this coming FRIDAY November 5th at Back 40 with an 11:30 start time. We can discuss our upcoming Christmas Party scheduled for Saturday December 4th also at Back 40 along with any event suggestions you may have for 2022. Was talking with GGG Treasurer Mike LaCombe on

the phone recently and he said our slogan for next year could be MORE FOR YOU IN 22. Like the ring of that and with a little work and a bit of cooperation from Covid should be able to make that a reality so please put on your thinking caps and plan to share your event ideas at our next two meetings. As Covid transitions from a pandemic to becoming endemic we should have a bit more flexibility in planning while keeping everyone's health considerations in mind.

As a new year creeps closer it is once again time to collect dues so please refer to the page outlining our dues collection procedures in this newsletter. Dues will remain at \$36 yearly for 2022. We do just barely have adequate funds to cover the cost of this year's Christmas Party so no co-pay will be required. The \$ made from the raffle at our Tilden picnic and 25th Anniversary t shirt sales helped us get there. Thanks for that.

Looking forward to attending our FRIDAY Nov 5th meeting, hope to see you there.

Happy Thanksgiving and as always, See ya in the fast lane!

Prez John

GOLDEN GATE GOATS EVENT PICTURES

We have a picture hosting site that has lots of event pictures. These can be downloaded to your own computer or you can order pictures directly from the site. Pictures can be viewed at: <http://imageevent.com/jimlent>

Email List

We have an active list that provides frequent updates on club activities and provides links to pictures of club activities. E-mail jimlent@comcast.net to join or to update your email address

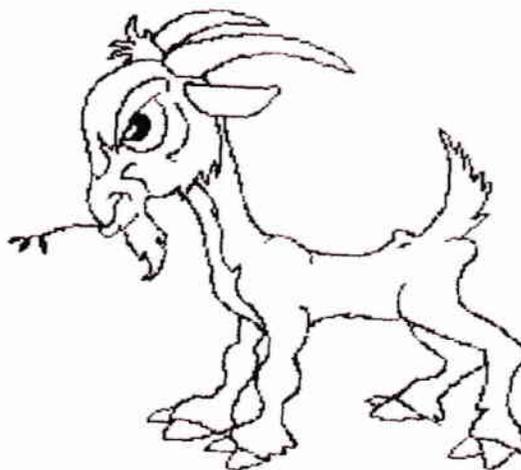
CHANGES, MISSPELLINGS, ETC.

IF WE HAVEN'T GOT YOUR INFORMATION MIXED UP YET, JUST GIVE US TIME. WE ARE WORKING AS FAST AS WE CAN.

Please contact Jim Lent with any name, address, phone number or vehicle corrections or changes. (510) 799-6096.

E-MAIL: jimlent@comcast.net

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CAR OF THE MONTH ARTICLES

Would you like to see your car, and its story, published in this newsletter. Take this opportunity now to memorialize your ride! Tell us about your ride: how you got it, what you have done to it, where you like to drive it, etc. Make your car the star.

You can email your story and pictures to Jim Lent at; jimlent@comcast.net or send them by snail mail to:

**Jim Lent
118 Iris Court
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GOLDEN GATE GOATS WEB SITE AVAILABLE AT:

www.gggoats.com

CLUB MEETING FRIDAY NOV. 5th

We will be meeting at Back 40 BBQ Restaurant in Pleasant Hill at 11:30AM

Please note the following local requirements from Back 40

"You are receiving this email because you have either booked or have tentatively reserved our private banquet venue. I am reaching out to let you know that effective September 22, 2021, Contra Costa County has mandated that all restaurants check for proof of Covid-19 vaccination or a negative test result within 3 days of entering our facility. Although this is not our preferred method of doing business, in order to remain in business, we will follow and comply with the County mandate. Please inform all of your guests of this new mandate as they will need to show proof to enter our facility.

Please know that we DO want your business. However, if you or any of your guests disagree with this mandate, we do ask for your understanding, as we are only doing what is required, to remain in business. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter."

Club T-shirts - I have the shirts that were ordered for delivery at a club event and will bring them if you let me know you are attending.

Back Forty has asked for a tentative count for our meeting so please reply to let me know you will be attending, by Tuesday, Nov. 3rd, if you will attend.

Thanks,

Jim Lent

jimlent@comcast.net

Golden Gate Goats
Holiday Party & White Elephant Gift Exchange!
Saturday, December 4th - 11 AM to 3 PM

Lunch

The club picks up the cost of your lunch. But, as they say there is no free lunch! Your group must bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to the Toys for Tots and be ready to have a great time celebrating the holiday season.

Proof of vaccination and face masks required.

Club Meeting

The meeting takes place at the Back Forty Restaurant on Saturday, December 4th., 100 Coggins Drive – Pleasant Hill – 925-935-1440. The buffet style lunch will include Pork ribs, sliced beef brisket and sliced turkey. There will be a non-hosted bar for alcoholic beverages. Lunch will be served in the banquet room followed by the White Elephant gift exchange.

White Elephant Gift Exchange

Many of you have asked, what is a White Elephant gift? The best way to describe it is to think of a gift you received that made you say, “You shouldn’t have.” But you really wanted to say, “What were you thinking!?! You should never, ever have purchased this thing! What am I going to do with it?!” For example: a used fuel pump or a fantastic statue. Surprising how some gifts return every year!



So, look in your closets, garage and attic and find that “unique” item, wrap it up to look like an expensive and wonderful gift anyone would love to have (it makes the shock factor that much better when the gift is opened).

See you there – Happy Holidays!
RSVP by Nov. 29th, 2021
To: mitygto@aol.com

Club Dues Call

You will receive an envelope with dues info. this coming week. Please use the return envelope to send in your dues.

2022 Dues - Payable now!

The dues amount for 2022 is \$36.00.

**PLEASE HELP OUR CLUB TREASURER BY
SENDING YOUR DUES IN TODAY.**

**Don't miss out on the exciting
2022 GGGoats events.**

**Use the envelope included
in the bill sent to you or:**

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435 West 25th Ave.
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GOLDEN GATE GOATS FACEBOOK PAGE

Join our club Facebook page!

- Open discussions with members
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Join the blog by clicking on this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1739685286060250>

Find the 'Request to Join' on the page and send your request to us. Acceptance will take about a day, and you will be notified when you have been given permission.

Start sharing your ideas, stories, parts and recommendations with the club!

YOUR AD COULD BE HERE!

PERSONAL ADS FOR ALL

GOLDEN GATE MEMBERS ARE FREE .

NON-MEMBERS Ads - \$10.@ per month per ad.

Contact: JIm Lent, 118Iris Ct., Hercules CA 94547 (

510) 799-6096 or email - iimlent@comcast.net

WANTED:

Endura bumper for a 1970 GTO.

Contact John Arvizu at: HOTSS@YAHOO.COM

FOR SALE:

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\$12.00 New still in package

#Glove Box Console Light GTO 61-88 \$15.00 New still in package

#Console Lid Spring Center for Console glove box 64-67

\$25.00 New still in package

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\$18.00 New still in package

#Lamp Housing for for light in rear of center console for GTO 64-67 \$68.00 New still in package

#Bracket spare tire hold down GTO 64-70 \$5.00 New still in package

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\$250.00 New still in box

#Rally II wheel 15"x7" New (one only) \$150.00

#Rally II wheels 15"x7" used good condition with Pontiac Rally II center caps set of 4 \$75.00 each

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Victory Automotive Machine, 10 % Discount - 3500 Pearl Ave, Unit E. San Jose -Contact Vic Anderson 408-266-7570 victorymachine@netscape.com.





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CLUB LOGO ITEMS

**In 2005 we opened our online club store on our website. The store carries a full line of apparel, house wares, and gifts with the Golden Gate Goats logo, Outlaw GTO Association of Western America logo, and images of our club cars! Go check it out at:
www.cafepress.com/gggoats**

Our goal is to preserve and keep the legend of the Pontiac GTO alive. We plan to do this by having fun as we learn more about our GTOs through various club activities: Cruises, Parades, Car Shows, Picnics & MORE!

2018 - Club Meetings

**Club Meetings are scheduled for the following months:
February, March, April, May
July, October, November
Check the newsletter or website for updated dates, times & locations**

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GOLDEN GATE GOATS CAR OF THE MONTH



JOE COY'S 1965 GTO CONVERTIBLE

Well it All started when I was around 10 years old. I had just discovered My Classic Car TV. Skip forward two years. By now I knew all the muscle cars by heart when I saw my first truly Bad ass 1970 GTO Judge later on that year. It was a Bright yellow 1970 GTO Judge with white interior and a four speed. At the time I saw the Judge I was riding my 1972 Schwinn Sting Ray which I had recently restored myself. The bike was vintage that's why I restored it, but it just wasn't doing it for me. I knew I wanted a Muscle car. I was working on my brother's friend's cars before I could drive.

I was just too young to drive which really sucked. Then, three years later, I thought my dream was going to come true - a 1971 Trans Am with a SD455 and a 4-speed. It was 3k and it was a running car. But that fell through because my mom thought it was ugly, thanks mom. Well I was back on the hunt, but the hunt stopped. I stopped thinking of muscle cars for a little while because of my new taste for motorcycles, I dragged home a 1965 Honda CB160 and to say the least the parents weren't happy. I fully restored that bike and it was my second vintage item I had owned at that point. I rode that for a year and sold it. Then I got a Jaguar for \$300. I put a 95 corvette LT1 into it, which I had fun with then blew the motor. Then I went out with the money from the CB160 and bought a brand new Triumph Daytona (crotch rocket). I had it for two months then got into accident. I broke my leg, twisted my pelvis, cracked a vertebrae, etc...

Well the parents had enough of my motorcycles and said enough of that. So they put pressure on me to get something with four wheels. At first I didn't know what I wanted to get. I had sorta forgot about cars and was still in love with bikes, so it was hard for me to make the switch over, but I'm glad I did.

(I just wish the Goat would run a 10.5 in the quarter and still get 40 mpg like the bike did.) I had been around a lot of Chevelles and worked on countless Firebirds. I thought why not a 1965 Malibu SS with a 327 and a 4-speed. So I was looking for about month and half I found one but it was 40k! I found Chevelles that needed frame-offs but I didn't want that right then. I was about to give up on the Chevelle but I decided I would have one last look. I was searching on Craigslist, The guy who had my soon to be car put Chevelle, Elcamino, Malibu on the bottom of his listing so it would pull up the listing of his GTO.

It was around 11:30 at night and I couldn't believe my eyes - a 1965 GTO convertible! It was Montero red and had a black interior, 455, and a TKO 5 speed. Well I called the guy up the next morning and off I went to go look at this beautiful car. I got there and almost melted, It was pretty much my dream car. I test drove it, then we came back. I told him to hold it for a month and that I would be back. A month to the day I bought the car. Maybe if it weren't for that 1970 judge convertible I would have never thought GTOs were so cool. I am the envy of the family now and love every minute of it. I did a lot random little things to the car since I bought it.: suspension, rims and tires, replacing the radiator, Etc... It has been a constant joy to be around this car I have had nothing but fun with it. The Parents are much happier now, to say the least. My dad has accepted this project since day one. He had to wait 40 years just to drive the car he lusted after when he was 18 in 1965 he sorta hates me now).

Now the hunt is on to find a Lemans for my dad and build it up as a GTO. I am glad the Golden Gate Goats club is around

I can say if it weren't for seeing some of the Golden Gate Goats cars on display at the Good Guys show I may not have been as interested in getting a GTO.

I could go on for hours. Just get me started the next time you see me.

