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My 1967 GTO Project

By Doug Wollgast



My son Rob and the GTO

The car I am currently restoring is a 1967 GTO hardtop that was built in the Kansas City assembly plant and delivered in June of '67. The options that were selected by the original owner were few – but desirable. The car is regimental red with a black bucket seat interior. It has the standard 335 HP 400 with the optional 4-speed and Saf-T-Trak 3:55 rear end, manual brake and steering. Other options include: console, push-button AM radio, F70-14 red-lines with deluxe wheel covers and electric clock. I have chosen to restore the car as delivered with the addition of rally gauges and a custom sport wood wheel.

The car was purchased about 17 years ago by a guy that used to work for my grandfather. He then sold it to a friend of mine about 3 years ago. He had it for about a year when he decided that he didn't really want to dive into a frame off restoration. I decided to take the plunge and purchased it in the summer of 2015. At that time it was a complete – mostly









GTO of the Month





Body on dolly ready for the Body Shop

rust free car with original sheet metal, but a lot of wrong stuff had been done to it over the years. It had a very bad – non original blue paint job with an even more non-original blue interior. It had a mixture of 66 and 67 components making up the interior. It came with a rebuilt 68 400 and also the correct 67 400 bare block. Much of the visible original hardware had been replaced with stainless steel replacements. The interior and trunk floor pans and had been replaced.

I immediately dismantled the car and started the restoration. By the fall of 2015 I had the frame and all the chassis components ready for paint. While those parts were at Walnut Park Auto body for paint I continued to restore small components and hardware. After trading a guy my incorrect 66 bucket seats for his correct 67 seats - Chris Simmons took care of reupholstering them. John Novelli assisted in finding/supplying missing components and hardware. Jon Havens helped with plating. During the same time I built a dolly for the body and got it ready for the body shop. The body was stripped to a bare shell - which included welding about 30 holes shut on the firewall where a previous owner had riveted a stainless sheet for a "custom" look". As the New Year approached the chassis was ready to come back from paint and the body was ready to go out to Walnut Park. Ray Mansering was finally ready to take the body in June of 2016 – which took longer than my original plan, but I was able to get the engine, transmission and differential rebuild during this time. The engine took a while as I was starting with just a bare block. After the body left for Walnut Park in the summer of 2016 I was able to completely assemble the rolling chassis to be ready to accept the body when it returned. In early January 2017 I picked up the body complete with fresh gleaming regimental red paint. Ray did an excellent job!



GTO of the Month





Completed Chassis

I immediately began reassembly of the body. Soon it had glass, trim, Instrument panel, wiring, weather stripping, stainless and chrome. After some issues with incorrectly sewn headliners – Chris Simmons was finally able to install the headliner. As usual - the finished results were excellent. By the first weekend in March my son Robert and I mated the body back to the chassis. While it was up on jack stands the fuel tank, emergency brake cables and



rear bumper were installed. This pretty much brings me to the present. The next step is to get the Brake/Clutch pedals installed and the steering column in. Following that I plan to fire up the engine for a test run. The front end, interior, remaining trim and pin stripes/final buff of the paint will hopefully follow close behind.

I am registered and plan to have the car at the 2017 GTOAA nationals this summer for concourse judging. After that I plan to sell it. As much as I would love to keep every car - I know it's just not possible – besides – I still have its fancier twin that I have owned since I was 17.



Presidents Scoop



The Presidents Scoop

By Kerry Friedman

Ladies and Gentlemen, "Start Your Engines." It was cloudy but it wasn't raining in Dittmer yesterday morning, Easter Sunday 2017. Having washed my GTO last Saturday, all I had to do was start it and while it was warming, spray on the Meguiar's Detail and polish her up a little. It started raining by the time I got to I-44 and I-270, oh well, can't rain too long. Met up with some Club Members at McDonalds and drove into the Park.

Even though I saw other Car Enthusiasts driving into the City, I was surprised to see how many cars were already at the Concours d'Elegance, or Easter Show as most of us call it. The sun came out occasionally and it sprinkled a couple of times, but by 11:00 AM, the lot was very full. Not to mention the overflowing Car Show on the lower lot, where cars of all ages, sizes, shapes, brands and anything you can imagine gather for another Car Show.

Back on the Upper Lot, even with the predicted rain, the presence of Model T's, Model A's, Moons, Dorris', Chevy's, Gardner's and more MG's and Triumphs than you could imagine. It is thrilling to see some of these cars year after year, and to see more and more each year that haven't been here before. You get goose bumps viewing exquisitely detailed Antique cars from the early 1900's. The craftsmanship, design, paint, luxurious interiors are all worth coming down to see. The "piece d'resistance" (sp), was an unbelievable, fully restored, 1927 Rolls Royce Phantom 1. Plan on attending next year for a real experience in Car History.

June is fast approaching and the two Convention Hotels are almost booked up. Time for the rest of you to get you reservation in for the Convention, book your room, and sign up for Worker duties. We will be furnishing, at no cost, an orange worker's tee shirt for each day you work. Please send your shirt size and days you can work to Chris Winslow, chriswins-low@charter.net, or myself kerry63021@yahoo.com. If you wife or associate is also willing and available to work, send that information and shirt size as well. To date we have 225 registered for the event, hoping for at least 300 and as many cars as we can get.

The next 2017 GTOAA Convention planning meeting is at 11:00 am -1:30 pm on Saturday, April 29 at The Crowne Plaza Hotel in Springfield, IL. In the Lincoln Room.

The next Regular Business, Meeting of Gateway GTO will be on May 4, 2017 at The

Sport's Café, and of course, dinner at 6:00. We would like to schedule Guest Speakers at our meeting to inform us of anything pertaining to life, family or even cars. If you know an "expert" or at least someone you trust on a topic, let's try to put a schedule together for the meetings next year. Also, any ideas for Tours or Cruises would gratefully accepted. Don't forget, if you suggest it, you will most likely be appointed to run it.





Meeting Minutes



Minutes for 4/6/17

Vice President, Terry Schott opened the meeting.

There was no old business discussed. No new members.

New Business

Roadrunner Powdercoating, tour and cruise was discussed. We would tour their facility which houses a collection of Shelbys and Broncos. By show of hands, it appeared that there was an interest. A couple of dates in May were thrown out for consideration and consensus was that Saturday, May 13 was the preferred date.

Frank Chapman needs help Tuesday, AM & PM, and Wednesday, AM & PM during the convention. Everyone was urged to contact him. Several people did speak with him after the meeting to help.

Tom Oxler is to order the needed signs for the convention, and Kerry Friedman is working on stands for the signs.

Upcoming Events

Will Bowers has sent the necessary entry money for the Easter Show to the Horseless Carriage Club. There are 14 total attending between Gateway GTO and Arch POCI Clubs. The meeting spot is to be determined and notification sent via email to those attending.

Steve Hedrick reported that BOTH convention hotels in Springfield are almost FULL.

\$1000 convention sponsorship was received from Terry Schott on behalf of Kelpe Contracting.

\$1000 convention sponsorship was received from Butler.

Earl Lewis said that the Air Force Band may show up for the convention and that they would perform free of charge.

It was reported that the hotels for the Pontiac Regionals are still open for bookings. Be sure to mention "GTO" to get past their "No rooms are available" scenario.

Missouri Baptist Hospital car show scheduled for October 7, 2017.

Joe Mayweather's church's car show is the same weekend as the Regionals in Pontiac, IL. Anyone who is not attending the Regional event is urged to attend Joe's church's car show.

Tech Issues

Frank Chapman reports issues with his '06; car pulls, vibrations, possible strut issue, etc., he's had guys working on it for 7+ hours. It was suggested to go to Precision Alignment near Fast Lane. Frank also reported that new stock springs are not available thru GM.

Personals

Brian and Andrew O'Sullivan's dad is in the hospital.

Darrell and Tootie May are back in town. Tootie is somewhat better, but still considering further surgery for her back.

Steve Hedrick's dad has been released from the hospital after a heart attack. He's 87 years old. His pace maker has been rewired.

Terry Schott's dad has been transferred to the Missouri Veteran's Home in St. James, Missouri.

Next club meeting, Thursday, May 4, 2017





Convention Corner



MEET T-SHIRT GRAPHICS





Year Of The 7's









Calling all owners of 1967 GTO's!

This year, in celebration of: 50th Anniversary of the 1967 GTO

The Hoodscoop will be featuring Car of the Month articles on the anniversary year

If you own one of these special cars, please get to work on your article(s) and get them to Chris Winslow



NEW AGE GTO CONCOURS PROJECT

The GTO Association of America has initiated a project to create a set of photo records on the 2004 to 2006 GTO in anticipation of a time in the future when these cars will participate in the annual GTO Association of America Concours car show.

Gateway GTO has been chosen as the chapter to assemble these photo documentaries.

The project requires six **BONE STOCK** new age GTO's - One manual transmission and one automatic transmission car from each model year.

Ground Rules for Eligible Cars:

- Car must be bone stock with NO aftermarket parts or modifications. The only exceptions are batteries and tires.
- Factory parts, such as the sports appearance package and 18 inch wheels, are allowed.
- All parts the car was originally supplied with, such as the spoiler, must be installed. (Exception: Parts removed to install other factory parts such as the sports appearance package or 18" wheels.)

Once the cars are identified, a photo session will be scheduled.

If your car meets the requirements of the ground rules and you are interested in participating, please contact Chris Winslow.

This is your chance to make your GTO the standard against which all new age GTO's will be judged!

Still looking for a 2005 Automatic Car - All other slots have been filled



GATEWAY GTO ASSOCIATION

Membership/Renewal Form

(Please print clearly)

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And mail with check to:

Will Bowers, Treasurer Gateway GTO Association 1 Goshen Woods Lane Edwardsville, IL 62025

Membership dues are \$35.00 per year, which includes you and one associate member (spouse, girlfriend, etc.) and your GTOAA yearly membership.

Gateway GTO Association Points Submission Form

Member Name			
Month	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Club Sponsored Events and Monthly Meetings			
Event	With GTO (40 Points)	Without GTO (20 Points)	
Total for Club Sponsored Events			
Non Sponsored Events			
Event	With GTO (10 Points)	Without GTO (5 Points)	
Total for Non Sponsored Events Other Activities			
GTO Regional/National Event	With GTO (100 Points)	Without GTO(70 Points)	
GGTOA Event Worker/Helper (50 Points) Car Featured as GTO of the Month (50 Points) Write an Article for Hood Scoop (50 Points) Sign up a new GGTOA member (25 Points) Have GTO featured in a National Pub (40 Points)			
B. O'Sul 10637 St		OA monthly meeting or to:	

To access form from GatewayGTO.com, click below http://www.gatewaygto.org/clubpoints.html

2017 GATEWAY GTO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April

- 6 GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 8 JJ'S Car Cruise at 1215 S. Duschene, St. Charles
- 16 Easter Car Show (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 29 Convention Planning Meeting at Crowne Plaza (Springfield, IL)

May

- 4 GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 13 JJ'S Car Cruise at 1215 S. Duschene, St. Charles
- 24 Convention Planning Meeting 7PM at Sports Café
- 29 28th Annual Cobblestone Nationals at Fast Lane Classic Cars

June

- 1 GTO MEETING 7PM at Sports Café (CLUB SPONSORED)
- 10 JJ'S Car Cruise at 1215 S. Duschene, St. Charles
- 12 Convention Planning Meeting 7PM at Sports Café
- 27- July 1 2017 GTOAA National Convention. Everyone's help will be needed. (CLUB SPONSORED)

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR AT <u>WWW.GATEWAYGTO.ORG</u>

Gateway GTO Classifieds

For Sale

Set of four 17" Cadillac Factory 7 Spoke Wheels (from 2008 CTS) with Continental Extreme Contact Winter Tires - Make Offer - Contact Chris Winslow if interested 636-939-2770

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Gateway GTO Association Photo Album

If you have photos of past events or if you take pictures of future events that you think would be good for our Photo Album, please send them to the newsletter editor.

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Gateway GTO Club Information

The Gateway GTO Association was initially formed in the summer of 1984 by a group of seven. They all had a common interest in the Original Muscle Car, the Pontiac GTO. As a form of communication we publish a monthly newsletter called "The Hood Scoop". The purpose of this newsletter is to keep our members informed of all upcoming activities as well as providing interesting event coverage. The club meets every first Thursday of the month at Sports Café 3579 Pennridge Dr, Bridgeton, MO 63044

Membership dues are \$35.00 per year and all renewals are required to be paid by December 31st. You are allowed to have one associate member.

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