



June 2020

## Valley of the Goats/Express

Cactus GTOs/Desert Renegades: Head to Tucson this Friday for racing and car show! [Details below](#)

Our BOP-C show was a great success!



## The summer of (not) fun.

Little did we know that our annual **Buick-Olds-Pontiac-Cadillac and GMC Car Show** this past March would be all the excitement we would see

for some time because of COVID-19 – and not just locally, with ‘Pavilions’ and the ‘67<sup>th</sup> Street and Bell Rd. traditional Saturday night shows



and charitable shows planned across the Valley all shut down, along with the Silver auction.

But we lost the GTOAA Nationals, the Ames Pontiac Performance Nationals, the Bandit Run, and the POCI Convention for 2020, to name a few. We will see what the fall will bring to Arizona. Stay tuned.

See the class winners from our **BOP-C** show elsewhere in this newsletter.

# ...but this Friday

## PONTIAC NIGHT at TUCSON DRAGWAY

### brought to you by the POCI Southern AZ Chapter!

A FRIDAY NIGHT DRAGS OPEN TEST & TUNE EVENT  
**PONTIAC NIGHT**  
 at **TUCSON DRAGWAY**  
 GATES OPEN at 4pm • TRACK HOT from 6-10pm  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2020**

RACE	OR	SPECTATE!
TECH INSPECTION REQUIRED 140 TRACK PASSES AT GATE SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS		PUBLIC INVITED - FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! SPECTATOR ONLY PHE (only parking outside of pits) \$10 per Person - Kids 13 Under are Free

or, JOIN OUR SPECIAL PONTIAC DISPLAY IN THE PITTS!  
 ALL MODEL YEARS OF PONTIAC & GMC INVITED TO SHOW IN FIT AREA (EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT RACING).  
 PERSONS GATE PERSONNEL THAT YOU WANT TO PURCHASE A "CREW PASS" SO THAT YOU MAY GAIN ACCESS TO THE PIT AREA WITH YOUR VEHICLE. PLEASE ABOVE BETWEEN 6:00-6:00pm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:  
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 1700 S. Saguaro Rd.  
 Tucson, AZ 85727  
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 tucsondragway.com  
 FROM MONDAY 10:30am EST 275 down north Ave. to  
 The concession stand and restrooms will be open.  
 TO LEARN ABOUT THE TRACK'S CURRENT COVID-19 POLICY, VISIT [www.tucsondragway.com](http://www.tucsondragway.com)

**The Cactus GTO Club and Desert Renegades have been invited down to race and show at the Tucson Dragway THIS FRIDAY!**

You can drag race your Pontiac down the quarter-mile track or come out and participate in the informal Pontiac display in the pits. Cheer on Dean Noun ('68 GTO) and Chris Steel ('65 GTO) with their ongoing grudge race match!



If you would rather just DISPLAY your Pontiac or GMC Truck in the pits with us, please tell the person at the track's entry gate that you would like to purchase a \$15 crew wristband {"pit pass"}. This is a PER PERSON fee (\$30 for two people, etc.) and exact cash is preferred. Please plan your arrival at the track between 6:00-6:30pm on Friday, June 26th, and look for us there. We hope to have a designated row in the paved pit area dedicated solely for our group.



As a third alternative, the Spectators-only wristband fee (for those not racing or displaying their Pontiac or GMC Truck with us in the pits) is \$10 per person. Park your vehicle anywhere in the outer public parking lot.

**Racing begins at 6:00 pm and goes until 11:00 pm.** The concession stand and restrooms will be open. There will be plenty of room for social

distancing. Remember to bring plenty of drinks... It is going to be hot out there, but temps will certainly cool down after sunset.

**If you have any questions about this event, please see the flyer below or call Thom Sherwood (520) 798-3200 (no texts)  
Email: [output@colorteks.com](mailto:output@colorteks.com)**

Tucson Dragway is located at 12000 South Houghton Road (in far southeast Tucson). Take Interstate 10 East to Exit 275, head south two miles until you see the track on your right and then follow the signs. <http://www.TucsonDragway.com>

TECH INSPECTION Procedure for racers at Tucson Dragway Park...

All race vehicles must pass tech inspection with the track officials, who have the final word on if your car may or may not run. Racer Tech Cards are \$40 each. Here is what is required:

- The driver must be 18 years or older and have a valid driver license.
- Tires and seat belts must be in good condition.
- The battery must be firmly held down, no bungee cords.
- All lug nuts in place and tight
- No cracked or broken windshields or glass.
- No fluid leaks or drips from the vehicle.
- Must have a radiator overflow bottle
- A helmet is required if the vehicle is going 13.99 or quicker in the quarter mile.
- No passengers if the vehicle is going quicker than 13.99 in the quarter mile.
- A fire jacket is recommended if an aftermarket power adder (turbo, blower, nitrous) has been added to the vehicle. If your vehicle is quicker than 10 seconds in the quarter mile a jacket will be required.

# Winners from our BOP-C Car Show



Special thanks to all the volunteers from the Desert Renegades and Cactus GTOs who helped us deliver another very successful event this year.



## 2020 BOPC Pontiac Winners

### Class

Pre 50's Pontiac  
 50's Pontiac  
 60-64 Pontiac  
 65-67 Pontiac  
 68-69 Pontiac  
 70's Pontiac  
 64-65 GTO  
 66-67 GTO  
 68-69 GTO  
 70-74 GTO  
 04-10 GTO G8  
 67-69 TA FB  
 70-74 TA FB  
 75-78 TA FB  
 79-81 TA FB  
 82-92 TA FB  
 93-02 TA FB  
 61-74 Tempest Lemans  
 Fiero, Soltice, 80's  
 Unrestored  
 Custom  
 Best TA FB  
 Best GTO  
 Best Big Pontiac  
 Best of Show

### Winner

Dave Underwood  
 Terry Rigglin  
 Mark Howard  
 Carl Bylander  
 Bob Shepard  
 Mike Lamberth  
 Denny Deal  
 Mike Fleury  
 Pat Fykes  
 Tom Locke  
 Bob Weiser  
 Chris Brown  
 Dave Bertram  
 Eric Dayton  
 Jeff Sutherland  
 Mike Jakubowski  
 Guy Ferstl  
 Mike Mingo  
 Joe Seeyle  
 Chris Krause  
 James Menona  
 Paul Albinger  
 Steve Stoiber  
 Charles McDonald  
 Rich Wilkinson

33 Pontiac 601  
 57 Star Chief  
 64 Bonneville  
 65 LeMans  
 69 GP  
 77 Can AM  
 65 GTO  
 66 GTO  
 69 GTO  
 71 GTO  
 09 G8  
 69 FB  
 72 FB  
 78 TA  
 79 TA  
 84 TA  
 98 FB  
 72 LeMans  
 84 Fiero  
 68 GTO  
 68 GTO  
 79 TATA  
 70 GTO  
 59 Bonneville  
 63 Safari Wagon



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## OUR CLUBS JOIN ADOPT-A-CAR PROGRAM AT MARTIN AUTO MUSEUM

The Boards of Directors of Cactus GTOs and Desert Renegades voted this summer to allocate \$300 to join the Martin Automobile Museum's "Adopt-A-Car" program. The Martin Museum, located near I-17 and Bell Road has been the site of numerous Renegades' holiday parties, and club members have expressed an interest in supporting local automobile museums as a charitable cause.

The museum will soon bring in "our" restored **1967 Pontiac Firebird** that will come under the clubs' care for one year. We will have time to keep the car clean and get a plaque at the exhibit recognizing our "adoption" of the car once it is on display (the 'Bird will be moved shortly from the storage facility to the museum).

In exchange for the \$300 fee, the museum has also agreed to allow us to have one of our monthly meetings in 2020-21 in the meeting room.

Stay tuned for the unveiling, and check out the cars on display at [www.martinautomuseum.com](http://www.martinautomuseum.com)



## GETTING OUR PONTIACS OUT THIS SUMMER

Club members looking for a way to get out from under COVID-19 "cabin fever" met up for some cruises this summer. The Trans Am contingent took a roadtrip to Sedona and Jerome, others joined car parades for special occasions, Nancy Perry organized a special show for Veterans over Memorial Day at Mixteca, and our clubs met May 15 at the VFW American Legion Post #95 in Chandler (above) for a car show and special fundraiser. Kitt was there, too! Thanks to Paul Albinger for bringing us together







## Officers and Board of Directors 2019-2020

*Co-Presidents:* Bill McCoy, Frank Gostyla

*Vice President/Secretary:* Mark Neumann

*Treasurer:* Mike Fleury

*Club Activities:* Carl Bylander/Stan Ford

*GTOAA Rep:* Denny Deal

*AAHC Rep:* Dan Huskisson

*Board members:* Tim Blattner, Carl Bylander, Denny Deal, Mike Fleury, Stan Ford,

Frank Gostyla, Bill McCoy, Steve Groce, Thom Mohr, Jim Einck

*Members at Large:* Tom Knecht, Mary Sundberg, Mark Neumann

*Webmaster:* Scott Svenheim

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Welcome the Hagood family and their '69 GTO!

