

# THE BIRD FEED



## Western Michigan Firebird Club

*"Keeping the Dream Alive"*

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### **The Inside Track**

**Scott van Tamelen, WMFC President**

Hi everybody, we're a little late getting this month's newsletter out to you, but for good reason. Those of us in charge of the newsletter are just returning from the Trans Am Nationals held Aug 27,28,29<sup>th</sup>. We had 6 members from WMFC attend the Nationals, which is pretty impressive considering this is our first year as an organized group. Everybody that attended had such a great time that they've already said they'll be returning again next year. I look forward to watching us grow our participation in the Nationals. Heck, who knows maybe one of these years WMFC can win a "club participation trophy".

I was also pleased with the awesome turnout we had at the Elhart Pontiac Friday Night Cruise. WMFC was very well represented. I think we ended up with around 10 cars there, and it was great to see everybody again. We also perked the interest of Bob & Karen Arnoldink while at the cruise-in, and I'm happy to report that they've joined the club. Welkom Bob & Karen!!!

I have to apologize to Dave & Judy Kuyers for last month's newsletter. I failed to mention that they had the club over for a "4<sup>th</sup> of July" party on Monday July 5<sup>th</sup>. We started out the day with 5 members entering their Firebirds in the Grandville 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. This was a great family event as many of us had our children, and grand-children along for the parade. Unfortunately it was extremely hot that day, in fact my kids ran out of excitement about half way thru the parade, and were only interested in getting to the end for some water. From Grandville we headed over to Dave & Judy's for a pot luck style lunch. The food was good, and the hospitality was great. Thank you Dave & Judy!!!!

With the car season coming to a close soon I'm trying to arrange a couple more events if we can fit them in. We have a date of Sept 7<sup>th</sup> set for our cruise to Dog & Suds in Muskegon. We'll be meeting at the restaurant around 7pm. We'll enjoy a meal together and then head over to Mr. Quick's for their cruise-in. Should be a good time! If you'd like to arrive as a group, a few of us will be meeting at the gas station on the corner of Lake Michigan Drive and US-31 around 6:30 ish.

There's also the "F-body's at the Barns" event on Sept 18<sup>th</sup> where we'll be meeting up with our friends from MiFbody and WMCC for a day at the Gilmore Car Museum. Check the website for more info on this event.

I'm still trying to schedule a "garage tour" at my place, as it stands right now we might make this our starting point for the Fall Color Tour we have planned in October.

# Pics from past events

WMFC 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade:



Lining up for the Parade!



The Browne Family in Goldie

Elhart Cruise-In:



The WMFC at the Elhart Cruise-In



Good showing of Club cars at the Cruise-In

Elhart Cruise-In (con't):



**Congrats Scott!!!**

Our very own President, Scott van Tamelen, walked away with an award for Best Pontiac!!

Trans Am Nationals- Dayton, OH:



Restore a Muscle Car's Banshee TA



Tipp City Cruise-In

## Trans Am Nationals (con't):



WMFC at 2010 Trans Am Nationals



Cat with Brian Fox....who came all the way from Australia just to attend the TA Nationals!



Beautiful example of a well kept 2<sup>nd</sup> Gen Firebird.

# Upcoming Events

## Dog-n-Suds Drive in and Mr Quick Cruise-in:

Tuesday September 7, 2010 at 7:00pm  
4221 Grand Haven Road, Norton Shores, MI 49441

( A group of us will be meeting at the corner of Lk Mi Drive and US 31 at 6:30pm to drive over together)

After a quick bite to eat, we'll be cruising over to Mr Quick's on Sherman Blvd for a Cruise-In.

## F-Body's at the Barns:

Saturday September 18, 2010 from 11:00am-4:00pm  
Located at the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, MI

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Hamilton Car Show:

Saturday September 25, 2010  
4911 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Hamilton, MI

## Garage Tour:

This Club outing has yet to be set. But once it is, you will not want to miss it! One of our very own members will be opening up his car collection for us all to see.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual WMFC Color Tour:

This years Color Tour date has not yet been determined. But we do know that we'll be meeting in Holland and driving south down the scenic Blue Star Hwy. This Club event is a perfect way to close out the season with our cars.



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