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Capitol City Rockets—Olds Club of America  
Winner of the 2019 OCA Editorial Excellence Award and  
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## The Rocket Review Quarterly

### Summer Edition 2020



2020 was a odd year for graduates due to the pandemic closures. OCA/CCR member Holden Phillips spent his 'Grad - uation Day' from Briar Woods HS in Ashburn, VA getting more pictures behind the wheel than on the stage, as his '69 F-85 got back from paint and body just in time for summer...

### Save the Dates!

- **Sun, Sept 13th—Sept club meeting in Kilroy's parking lot—12:30 pm. Weather cooperating, we'll drive to a nearby spot.**
- **Sept 27th—Royal GTO's Fall Show—open to all makes and models at the Sykesville American Legion.**
- **Oct 10th—OCA Northeast Zone Show—Morgantown, PA.**

**(These two shows have NOT been canceled & plan to occur)**

## Vice President's Message—Cory Correll

As we enter the last quarter of 2020, I want to reflect on one good thing that this pandemic has brought us: very little traffic! I can go anywhere in the DC area at rush hour in 30 minutes or less! Also, I want to reflect on the last 30 years of the club, as I have been a member 30 years this coming January. This chapter of OCA wouldn't exist if it weren't for Cutlasses and 442s, and that is a good thing. It has brought in and keeps a younger crowd of members than most clubs in the area, except for maybe Pontiac which spells its club "GTO"—and keeps them young.

When I joined we were blessed with two(!) Oldsmobile dealerships that sponsored us, which was unheard of. Jim Stohlman's dealership sponsored a "shop day" once a month, where you could bring your car (they weren't always Oldsmobiles) and use the lifts to work any job you could get done that day. It included a free outdoor grilled hamburger as well. His Alexandria dealership also sponsored some of our Spring Dust Offs. Templeton Olds in Ty-

son's Corner sponsored our annual All-Olds show in the fall. They had (with the club's help some years) to move cars on the back & side lots, and that was asking a lot of any dealership. We also got parts discounts.

As we look forward down the road, after having no show in 2020, I suggest we look for other venues for our August 2021 All-GM Show, as I doubt Montgomery College will be open this coming spring, much less the summer. The prime candidate location we found several years ago was our newsletter editor's middle school in Ashburn, which would bring a whole different crowd. Something to consider.

Today I find every young college age or younger kid ask me "what's an Oldsmobile?" when I discuss our hobby. It's frightening. So I wear on of my Olds t-shirts as often as I can! CCR VP—Cory



## Capitol City Rockets Info

*The Capitol City Rockets is the Suburban Maryland, DC, and Northern Virginia chapter of the Oldsmobile Club of America. The Capitol City Rockets originated in 1989, and is currently operating in its 31st year. We split monthly meetings between Kilroy's Bar and Grille off the Braddock Road exit of 495 in Northern VA and the Hard Times Café in Rockville, MD, with one peer judged show co-hosted each year with the Metro Buick Club. The club currently consists of over 50 members, from Virginia, Maryland, Florida, and even DC and West Virginia. A membership form is located in the back of this newsletter. One need not own an Oldsmobile to join, and dues remain \$15 dollars per year, payable by November the 1st, either by check or using the PayPal button on our Hemmings.com website. Current membership in the Oldsmobile Club of America is a requirement of CCR membership, as we are required to submit rosters to OCA for yearly insurance coverage for our events.*

(Below, Left) Recently picked up a nice running 1969 date coded 350 with an Edelbrock intake and some M/T valve covers. Found it on Craig's list (thanks Joe P!) down in Warrenton, near Jeff Neischel. Guy had it in a 50's Ford pickup, of all things. We're thinking of a future power upgrade for the smooth but somewhat pedestrian 250 ci straight 6 in the F-85. (Below Right). Col. Neischel was a big help in getting it up to me using his pickup, and then securing it to the engine stand so it can be worked on. Joe lent his engine hoist for the job, and it worked very well. Nice 2 ton hoist you can easily take apart for transport and re-assemble, with a cylinder that you can crank (which we did) or use an air compressor with. A key to ease if you're ever doing this: the load leveler you see Jeff removing keeps the engine level and maneuverable. It's a must have.





## *Summer Club Meetings and 2020 Cruise News*



In August we attempted to cruise the Valley Mall in Hagerstown, MD, which is usually a huge Sat night event. Alas, it was shut down the previous week, but the two Scotts, Guy and Ken had a nice dinner.



One small cruise I've attended a few times out near Warrenton, VA, is at Effie's ice cream on Sat mornings. Usually draws 10-15 cars. Jeff Neischel's '72 Cutlass and our '69 showed up a few weeks back.



Seen some discussion on the OCA Facebook page about consoles. These two were made by Classic Consoles ([www.classicconsoles.com](http://www.classicconsoles.com)). Thanks Mike Horton for the tip. Left is the Mini-Drinkster for fitting between buckets, while right is the BC Cruiser Bench Seat Console. You have to order through a distributor (I used American High Performance, Lorton, VA.) They do a great job color matching and make sure you get what you want. The one to the left has a moldable metal "hump hugger", while the one to right has a strap that holds it in place, and console top opens. Cost is \$115—\$150 or so.



If you are thinking about Fall Carlisle, Ken P and I were pleasantly surprised about physical distancing, but disappointed in the car corral /vendors in June. About 10% of usual. This 1959 Super 88 was lonely.



Scott Phillips,  
Editor



Ran into this 70 Buick GS, which was a former All GM Show "Best Of" winner a few years back, at the Sun morning South Riding cruise. Lots of tuner/modern cars there.



## *'69 F-85 Sports Coupe 'Mud Wasp' Stripe Option*



According to Mr. Joe, you got a Deck Lid Stripe on the 442 or Cutlass with the W42 or Y73 stripe option. It's about a quarter inch wide and matches the hood nicely.



Here's what it looked like once the Trophy Blue was sprayed. With the wing attached, we really like the '69 back end best of the 68-72 A bodies.

Here is an update since the last issue on body/paint work for our 1969 F-85. One "must have" for my brother and I were hood stripes. Mr. Joe provided pages 400-402 of the Product Information Manual, "Special Hood Painting" section. We learned this car has a non-442 hood (and obviously non-Ram Air hood), and we chose painted stripes (as opposed to the decals you can order), the painter laid out the stripes as closely as he could to the specs in the manual. If you got the W42 option (wide stripes), or the Y73 (narrow pin stripes), you also got a "Deck Lid Paint Stripe," which was laid out exactly like in the manual.



In researching the stripe paint code, it was more of a cream white, which matches the interior, than a bright white. We were a bit scared when we ordered the paint, but it was perfect after.



By Holden Phillips

Hood striping and outline as it was being done, left, and finished product, right. Due to the hood type, center blue strip is a bit tighter on this style hood than the 442.





## *“Deer” Me...and Other Odds and Ends*



Mike Horton was out for a cruise in his '70 Cutlass convertible when he was T-boned by a deer, to the tune of \$9500 damage. Reminder—tis the season!



Mike decided to go with a 442 hood at Leehigh Autobody in Sterling, rec'd by Haggerty. Goes to paint Monday. Mike's original hood is for sale in Classified



A favorite '69 small part is the raised rear marker light Rocket. New Fusick gaskets were perfect reproductions.



This is what our monthly meetings look like now. We pick an outdoor spot (this is our July 12 meeting in a park across from Hard Times in Rockville), spread out, have some lunch and talk cars.



Prep of floorboards for POR 15 (left) by Carter Phillips, Age 16, Legal Driver! And, (right) a little touch up work on side of the hood. He's got a steady hand.



## 2020 Capitol City Rockets Treasurer's Report/Events



Ken Quincy's  
Corner—CCR  
Treasury Report

### CCR FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF 9-8-2020

Balance as of 8-8-2020 \$2961.18

**Total Income \$0.00**

#### Expenses:

Bank Service Charge \$ 2.00

Club PO Box \$ 31.55 (this was in addition to the \$150 yearly cost for the box as the auto renewal was rejected by USPS)

**Total Expenses \$ 33.55**

Balance as of 9-8-2020 \$ 2,927.63

### Proposed Club Calendar/Shows 2020 (all meeting times 12:30 pm)

**Sep 13** - Kilroys

**Oct 11** - Hard Times

**Nov 8** - Kilroys (Tentative, pending other event)

**Dec 13** - Holiday Lunch (Tentative)

#### Other dates to keep in mind:

**Royal GTO's/Pontiacs Fall Show—Sept 27, 8:30-3:00 pm**— at Sykesville American Legion Post 223, 7327 Slacks Rd, Sykesville, MD 21784. Registration 8:30 –11 am. Top 50 plus Best in Category Peer Judged show. Contact Bill Sandusky 301-801-7519 for more info.

**“Fall” Carlisle** - Sept 29—Oct 4.

**OCA Northeastern Zone Show—October 10, 9:00-3:00 pm**—The Delaware Valley Oldsmobile Club is hosting the Oldsmobile Club of America's Atlantic North East Zone's first Zone Show, October 10, 2020 in Morgantown, PA, at the Classic Auto Mall. If you have an Oldsmobile, come out and spend some time with other Oldsmobile enthusiasts ! Find the show flyer, registration, and hotel info here [by cutting and pasting this into your browser](http://clubs.hemmings.com/delvaloldclub/DVOC_OCA_zone_show_flier_2020.pdf): (DVOC has advised to continue to check the show website in case PA forces them to cancel)

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# CCR Classifieds

## CLASSIFIEDS :

- ♦ 1968 455 engine with "C" heads; \$450; 1971 455 engine with matching Turbo 400 trans, \$750; restored set of four 14x7 SS II wheels with bolt-on center caps, no trim rings, \$325. Contact **Owen Griesemer, 240-357-5696.**
- ♦ I am selling my 1984 Delta 88 Royal. \$1100. If you know anyone who needs or wants a full size Olds please let me know. Thanks, Guy Fansler 703-532-1601 or [gfansl67@verizon.net](mailto:gfansl67@verizon.net).
- ♦ Mike Horton is selling his 1970 Olds Cutlass Hood with stripes, asking \$300. **You can contact Mike at [mikehorton2139@gmail.com](mailto:mikehorton2139@gmail.com)**



- ♦ **2014 Stahl Tow Tow Dolley:** Great condition. Garaged. New Hitch, great tires and ramps. New wiring harness. Towed my car to Bristol, TN Nationals on it. \$700 or best offer. **Contact Scott Phillips at [sphilips16@msn.com](mailto:sphilips16@msn.com) or call 571-233-5193.**



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## Capitol City Rockets Club Info and Membership Application

*THE CAPITOL CITY ROCKETS is a chartered chapter of the Oldsmobile Club of America, Lansing, MI. Chapter dues are \$15.00 per year. Current OCA membership is required.*

### Chapter Officials

*President.....Joe Padavano  
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.....spbillips16@msn.com*

### Chapter Advisors

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1961-63 A-Body.....Scott Phillips  
1964-65 A-Body.....Mike Stilwell  
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*2000: Denney Keys  
2001: Michael Coxen  
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2003: Dick Brown  
2004: Cory Correll  
2005: Scott Phillips  
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2010: Joe Padavano  
2013: Gary Sutherlin  
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**CAPITOL CITY ROCKETS**

**CHAPTER OF THE OLDSMOBILE CLUB OF  
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→ **NEW**

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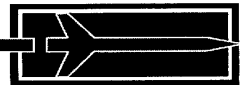
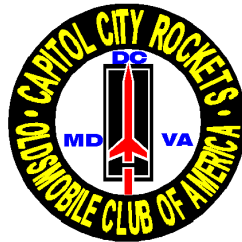
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