

## FEATHERED FRIENDS

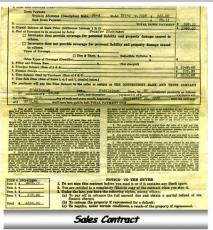
# CELEBRATING A HALF CENTURY TOGETHER! By Gary Nenninger

**Editors Note:** "I don't often give 50<sup>th</sup> birthday parties to cars my friends, but when I do I follow the rules." The 1<sup>st</sup> rule for giving your car a 50<sup>th</sup> birthday party is you have to be the 'Original Owner' The 2<sup>nd</sup> rule is it has to be a low mileage un-restored 'Triple Black Convertible', and finally The 3<sup>rd</sup> rule is you have to be 'The Most Uninteresting Man in the World'.



Happy 50<sup>th</sup>, Triple Black Un-Restored, Original Owner 63½ Sprint Convertible





People have asked me "Why a birthday party for a car?" Well I say, "If you are the original owner of a low mileage un-restored Triple Black 63 Sprint convertible with the original top, paint, and interior, why not". If you do not think owning a car like this for 50 vears does not deserve a celebration, think again my friend. The build date on my 1963 Triple Black Sprint Convertible is July 24, 1963. Do to scheduling conflicts the 'Birthday/Build Date Party' was held on Saturday, October 12, 2013. It was sort of an overcast day with the sun making an occasional appearance the temperature was a comfortable 68°-70°. Family and friends, including members of the NE Chapter FCA. Connecticut Street Rod Association (CSRA), members of the Radical Valve Timers (RVT)Hot Rod Club that celebrated its 60th reunion in August, and a member of the Cromwell board of Selectmen attended the party. The cars in attendance were Falcons, Fairlanes, Mustangs, Street Rods, and others that shall remain nameless. Everyone had a good time with plenty to eat and drink. It would have been nice if I remembered to take some pictures showing the good time, but what can I say I was busy entertaining and hobbling around with my cane (threw my back out getting ready for the party). So, enjoy the pictures taken by guest at the party. In addition, I have added a sort of pictorial history of some memories over the 50 years but space does not allow all the wonderful times. And, remember, if you missed this party, do not miss the 60<sup>th</sup>, it will be better.



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## Some of the Cars













## Through The Years







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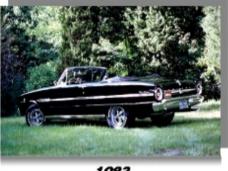








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1983



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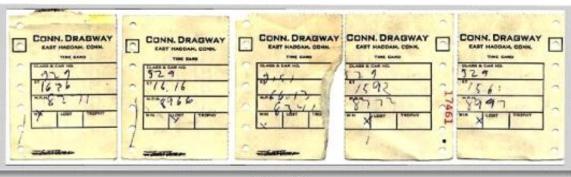


Connecticut Dragway



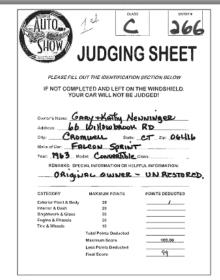
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#### Time Slips









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Radical Valve Timers Inc Coupe 1950's - 60's







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