

# SJCC NEWS

## SOUTH JERSEY CAMARO ON-AIR

On February 8, 2012, South Jersey Camaro's own Charles Gager and son, Ben were featured guests on WVLT's Cruising 92.1 FM - "Show and Go Garage" with Ben Notaro and John Quinn.

The topic for the evening was about our very our South Jersey Camaro Club, Delaware Valley Camaro Club, the Camaro, Chevrolet, and anything else that helps promote ours and hopefully your LOVE of the automobile. As you may or may not know, Charles is a member and officer of both clubs, so who better to talk about both clubs.

Cruising 92.1 is a weekly call in show from 9:00pm to 10:00 pm. Next time your in the garage on a Wednesday night working your Camaro, you should tune-in. You'll enjoy it!!!



## WELCOME

South Jersey Camaro Club would like to welcome our new members... Please welcome Keith Metzger, Zoe Moore, John Ricciani, Richie Saccomagno, Linda Murphy Joe Castagna, Lee Pavorsky, Nancy Walters, Kevin Gibbons, and Philip D'Agostino.

Welcome to the best Camaro/Firebird Club in New Jersey. Our club is all about the people and our love of cars, in particular the Camaro/Firebird. You all make it that much better!!!

## SPREADING THE SJCC WORD



February 19, 2012, Two of our officers of the South Jersey Camaro Club spent an early Sunday morning at the 13th Annual Show Finder Car Event Conference held by Cruising Magazine. The conference was held at the Christiana Hilton in Delaware.

During the conference we met with various cars clubs, event sponsor, and host from all around the greater Delaware Valley area. After the conference, we handed out copies of our car show flyers to the other clubs in attendance as well as collected flyer from them. We will using the information to better plan this coming season for shows/cruises that we may attend as a club.

By spreading the word about SJCC, this will allow us to continue to grow into the best Camaro club in the Northeast region of the country. Hang on!!!

## SJCC SWAG

With the upcoming 2012 car show season quickly rolling up on us, it's time to "GET YOUR SWAG ON"... Show the other clubs who we are by showing your SJCC fashion sense...

There are many items, such as T-shirts, Polo shirts, Hooded sweatshirts, Club jackets, hats, coffee mugs, and more.... The items can be embroidered with you name for an additional fee.



If your interested, visit the new SJCC Swag page on the web site (<http://southjersecamaro.com/images/swag/swag.html>)....and "GET YOUR SWAG ON!!!"

# MEMBER'S GARAGE

## Weak" vs. "Strong" 5th Gen MAF Sensor

Recent work by our friends at Vararam uncovered a disparity in the way seemingly identical 5th generation Camaros responded to increased air flow. After a little research it was discovered that the culprit is the OEM MAF sensors which have now been categorized as either "weak" or "strong". This revelations has lead to a lot of questions and, as usual, a lot of bad information being posted on the internet. In this post I will try and set some of it straight.

### What makes a MAF sensor "weak" or "strong"?

The simple explanation is that "weak" sensors are not showing the same resistance levels as the "strong" sensors. The MAF sensors that have been identified as "weak" read 1560-1670MHZ at idle with the A/C off while a "strong" MAF reads at 1800MHZ. During on road, light throttle input the MHZ are slow and weak in response to throttle changes which is what causes the hesitation and throttle lag. At wide open throttle the "weak" MAF shows 120-170MHZ lower than the 8600MHZ the "strong" MAF sensors will show on the same car. Depending on what intake modifications are made the fuel trim with a "weak" MAF can range from -25% on the high end to -3% with just a simple aftermarket panel replacement filter. Pull the "weak" sensor and install a "strong" sensor and within seconds fuel trim is back to 0% and MHZ are back to 1800+.

### How can I tell if my MAF is "weak" or "strong"?

It is very simple. Remove the MAF sensor from your intake tube and take a look at the code inside the indented window. Any single letter MAF is "weak" and any MAF that features a letter followed by a number like the one in the picture is "strong".



### Setting things straight

There are two points of confusion that seem to constantly come up when this topic is discussed:

- 1) This is a hardware issue with the MAF sensor and not a tune issue. The "weak" MAF needs to be replaced and the issue can not be corrected with a tune.
- 2) The "weak" sensors function just fine and are within OEM tolerances when the car remains in the stock configuration. Once additional air flow is introduced is when problems arise. Because of that it is not something that GM will replace under warranty.

This article was written by our friends at "[The Horsepower Junkies](#)"  
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## SHOW REMINDER...

Remember that South Jersey Camaro Club will be holding our first car show of the season on April 22, 2012 . The show will be on the grounds of Classic Chevrolet in Maple Shade, NJ (Route 38 and Lenola Road).

This is an all GM show which is open to Buicks, Cadillacs, Chevrolets, Oldsmobiles, Pontiacs and all other GM brands. SJCC will be awarding trophies for the Top 25 , as well as a Best of Show award, and a CamaroNews.com award. There will also be vendors, door prizes, and a raffle. Registration begins at 8:30am—11:30am, with judging beginning at 10:00am, and awards presented at 2:00pm.

We still need volunteers to work during the show. The car shows are the way we raise funds to allow us to donate to our causes. Please find some time to volunteer. If you know anyone who owns a GM product, let them know about the show!!!

This is one show that every GM brand enthusiast should have on their list of shows to attend for this year... It looks to be a great time. Hope to see you there!

# 14th Annual Camaro Nationals

June 22 & 23, 2012  
8AM - 4PM



Frederick Fairgrounds, Frederick MD

**Display your Camaro or Firebird with over 500 others - Hang out and meet new friends!**

- ▶ Large Showing of all generations of Camaros! ▶ Firebirds of all years WELCOME!
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Keep in mind that SJCC is planning on attending the Camaro Nationals. Arrangements for hotel lodging is at the Courtyard by Marriott in beautiful downtown Frederick, MD for the club. The room rate is \$114 a night, which includes a good hearty breakfast each morning. Below is the hotel information, so book your room(s).

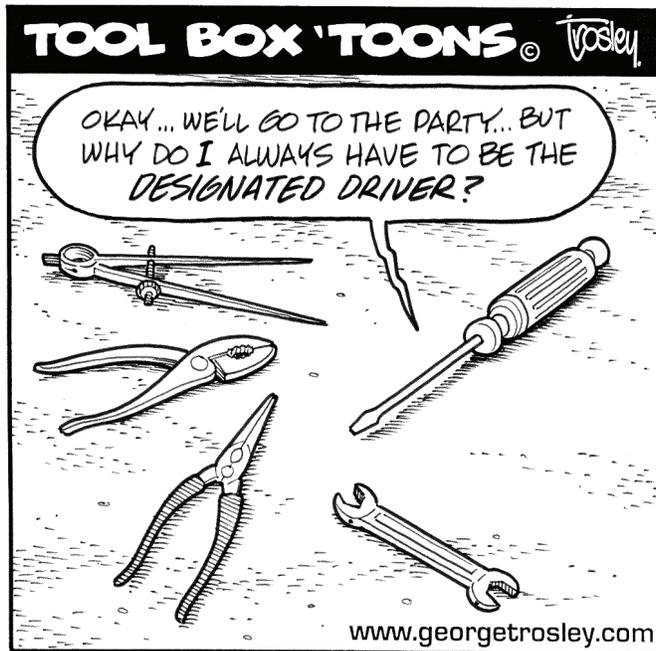
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next South Jersey Camaro Club meeting is scheduled for March 7th. The location is yet to be named. Keep your eye on the website for the location of the meeting. Come early food dinner, with the meeting starting at 7:30PM.

Check the website for the most up to date events.

Send suggestions for events in your area to: [info@southjerseycamaro.com](mailto:info@southjerseycamaro.com)



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# FOR SALE

- Pfadt sway bars (brand new) for 2010-11 --\$401.00 Contact: RJ Cilurso at 719-659-7318
- Rims for Sale/Trade: Looking to trade his polished staggered rims for a set of Midnight Silver. Contact: Tom at chief1usaf@aol.com
- Rims for Sale: Set of 19" Bremmer Kraft BR05 wheels. 19x8 fronts and 19x9 staggered rears. Contact: Nico at nico58@comcast.net
- Stock SS grill, and a stock SS engine cover for sale \$100.00 each, or best offer. Contact: Jesse at jesserayjames@verizon.net
- 2010/2011 Black seat covers, SS embrioded in silver/grey on head rests for sale \$125.00. Contact Zoe Moore (609) 364-1148
- Stock set of 4 wheels/tires (17" 6 Lug, 6x5.50in - 6x139.7mm bolt pattern with P245/70R17 blackwall) with less than 2,000 miles from Chevy truck for sale. Also includes the sensors. Contact Ken Cunliffe (856) 448-8000

# EVENTS



March 7  
South Jersey Camaro Club meeting.  
NJ 7:30PM.  
March 17  
Happy St. Patrick Day

Check the website for the most up to date events.

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Happy St. Patrick's Day



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