

Our April Club meeting, the Spring Show meeting, will be Thursday the 15th, at 7:00 p.m., Sylvan Park South Restaurant, 5207 Nolensville Rd, Nashville. Come earlier if you plan to eat dinner.

It's Show Time in Music City

HITTING THE HIGH SPOTS

SATURDAY, May 1st...our 13th Annual Mustang Roundup for all Mustangs and other Ford cars and trucks. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m., RAIN OR SHINE.

THE LOCATION is Moss Wright Park in Goodlettsville, north of Nashville. Take the Long Hollow Pike exit (#97) from I-65 and go east toward Hendersonville on Long Hollow Pike. At the traffic light at Caldwell Dr. turn right and follow Caldwell to the park entrance.

ARRIVE early if you can, to help set up the show site.

CLUB MEMBERS who are entering cars will be placed in a separate display area from the rest of the show. Club cars will be judged by popular vote of the other entrants who are not MCMC members. Registration is \$5.00 per car.

THE SHOW is open to all Mustangs plus other Ford, Lincoln, Mercury cars, trucks and race cars. There are six non-club classes and one club class for other Fords.

ALL MEMBERS who attend the show are asked to please bring cookies or brownies to be sold at the concession trailer. Wrap them in 2s or 3s in plastic. Kay Beasley and Susan Sanford are in charge of concessions and will need plenty of volunteer workers throughout the day.

ALL CARS entering the show will be photographed after registration. Winning entries will receive a photo-plaque trophy with their car's picture on it. Lots of help will be needed to assemble the plaques after judging results are tallied. The first 100 vehicles to register will also receive souvenir dash plaques.

EVERYONE in the Club needs to solicit sponsors for the trophy classes. Thirty classes with 3 plaques per class costs \$35.00 for a sponsorship. Those participating sponsors will receive publicity at the show plus an ad in *The Legend* for the remainder of the year. Ask at auto parts stores, tire stores, department stores, insurance agencies, etc. We will also need donated door prizes to give away...the donors will also receive publicity at the show.

Show Your Pony...See The Ponies...Buy A Pony...Or Pony Parts
Come Out And Enjoy One Of The Highlights Of Our Club Year
May 1st...Ford Mustang Weekend in Music City USA

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MONTHLY MEETING

Forty-two people attended the March Club meeting which started off with everybody introducing themselves (this is good!). Five visitors were in the crowd. President Frank Davis covered upcoming events of interest including the SAAC-sponsored, multi-club road rally held on March 27th. It has since been reported that only six cars total participated. (Oops!)

A roster of active MCMC members is due to the National Club by May 1. Sixty percent of our members are supposed to be MCA members also, in order for us to retain our national charter.

Our National Director, Joe Spivey, reported on recent MCA meetings and financial statements. There are approximately 6,000 current members. Plans are in high gear at MCA for the 30th Anniversary Mustang Convention in April, 1994. It will be held at the Charlotte Motor Speedway in North Carolina. FoMoCo may possibly participate...details are being worked out. It is touted to be the biggest event for the Mustang since they went on sale, April 17, 1964.

The Tennessee Region of the Sports Car Club of America plans to hold several autocross meets at the Nashville Raceway this summer. If you want to test your Pony and your driving skills on the tight track, contact Frank Davis for details and dates.

William Sanford's ten trivial teasers were all guessed correctly at the meeting. Come on, Mr. V.P. Either you're being too easy, or we're getting better.

Vernon Elliott won the 50/50 draw.

IN SYMPATHY

Long-time Mustang enthusiast, known to many in our Club, Lena Johnson of Chattanooga, died last month. The funeral was held March 27; Frank and Barbara Davis attended. Our condolences go out to J.J. and all her family and friends on their loss.

ALMOST DONE

Jerry and Virginia Ferrell's project '66 Convertible is about to be completed. Reports are that it will be one fine example of Mustang resto. Will we see it May 1?

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS who have recently joined the Club: ROY WILLIAMS, Nashville; TODD HAYES and JOHN McCRELESS, Murfreesboro; BUD and SUE ANDREWS, White House; CHARLES MITCHELL, JR., Madison; former members CHARLES RHODES, Portland, and JOHN ROBERTS, Old Hickory; and JOHN and PAM JACKSON, Columbia. We're glad to have you all with us.

HITTING THE TROPHY TRAIL

Pensacola Road Trip by Bill Davis

Early Friday morning, March 26, seven members of our Club met at Mark and Jane Craig's home in Franklin, Tennessee. In addition to Mark and Jane, the group consisted of Ron and Susan Sullivan, John Hoover, myself and my friend Dennis Hibben from Oak Ridge. After making a final check of gas, food and gear, plus a quick tour of Ron and Susan's Tioga camper, we began the long journey down I-65 south to Pensacola, Florida, site

of the 14th Annual Gulf Coast MCA National show. Music City Mustangers Vernon and Doris Elliott started a little later, after two trips back home to retrieve forgotten items.

We stopped and had a fine breakfast at the Hardee's near Huntsville, Alabama. Unfortunately, Mark had to exchange some "words" with an idiot who parked his Cherokee compromisingly close to Mark's recently completed GTA.

After encountering seven rainstorms, we arrived in Greenville, Alabama, where we stopped and enjoyed a great lunch in the camper, compliments of Susan and Jane. One rainstorm

later, we made it to the Florida line where the sun was shining and the temperature greatly improved.

We located the show site with no problems after arriving in Pensacola shortly past 3:00 p.m. The host club was cordial, well organized and helpful.

Of course something always goes wrong with our car during the tech inspection, and Mark's car was no exception. Show cars with air conditioners must prove that the AC works, which Mark's did, all the way from the state line to the tech area. There, naturally, the compressor failed to kick in. After much tinkering by Mark, Ron, Bill and Dennis with no results, the problem was finally solved the next day by the good people of Classic Auto Air Manufacturing, a vendor at the show. It was a faulty underdash relay (\$12.00).

While Mark was washing and detailing his car, John Hoover arrived, noting that he had had a similar tech experience. As many of you know, John's car [affectionately known as Frankenstang--Ed.] is a highly modified '66 Coupe that sounds like a serious V8, but is really an extra strong six. Anyway, his car's horn is very temperamental...that is, it works 99.95% of the time. It worked the week before, it worked when the car was unhooked from the tow vehicle and it worked when he drove it into the show area. But, on command from the tech inspector, it went "peep". "Was that your horn or a bird?" Anyway, they counted it and John was assigned a space. The moral of these two tales is...check your car BEFORE entering the tech area. Take some tools and run through the tech inspection yourself with a friend, and then turn it over to the show inspectors.

We had some free time so we gathered at the camper. The Elliotts arrived and John also found us and we had snacks and a great discussion about how they can make propane operate the camper's refrigerator AND the light inside the refrigerator. Modern technology is sure amazing. We also conducted a human nature study by observing the people who came and went at a nearby dumpster.

Then it was time to go to the show's big fish fry party. A local caterer supplied the dinner, which was fried fish, spicy hush puppies, cole slaw, delicious baked beans, drink and dessert. All this for a \$1.00 donation, which also got you a ticket for a 50/50 draw. The pot was over \$200 but none of us won. A bluegrass band provided music during the dinner, playing on a stage donated by the U.S. Navy.

Early Saturday morning, Ron moved their camper to a perfect spot next to the show site. By 7:00, Mark's and John's cars were readied and it was time to see the show, the vendors, the corral and the raffle car.

In our opinion, this show site had it all. It was within walking distance of several motels, a mall, fast food and nicer restaurants, had great public visibility from the adjacent main highway, and was a half mile from the interstate. The show was held in the mall's parking lot, which had green medians with trees, and loudspeakers mounted on 20' poles for announcements and music. The host club made extensive use of 2-way radios, had two tech lines set up, and used golf carts to shuttle people to and from the mall and motels. There were a total of 218 cars entered to show, plus about 50 vendors and some 70 cars in the corral.

The weather continued to be absolutely beautiful while we all inspected the '69 Convertible raffle car and bought some tickets. That day was the last to buy tickets to the \$9.1 million Florida lottery, so everyone went to the mall for a change of scenery and some lottery tickets. None of us won but we sure had fun talking about what car we would buy if we did, and how we would get it home.

The registration stopped at noon and judging began. By then, Mark had made a very good deal on a rear axle setup from a '77 Lincoln Versailles. Ron and Vernon also found some parts they needed, and Dennis and I each had spent about \$20,000 dreaming. Dennis wanted a red '66 HiPo Convertible and I was struck by a red '65 Comet Cyclone. (It didn't hurt.) We visited with car owners and vendors, among whom were Manatee Mustang, Classic Auto Air, Pony Carbs, Mustang Monthly Magazine and numerous individuals. Also on display was a Florida Highway Patrol 5.0, 5-speed Mustang. We saw many new Mustang patrol cars on the roads of Florida and southern Alabama.

We snacked through the supper hour, awaiting the results of judging. Finally the great moment arrived. Mark's name was called as the first place winner in Concours Driven, '67-'68 Open. His white '67 GTA Convert had done it, first time out of the chute! He was elated, needless to say. A few minutes later, John's name was called for second place in MC Modified (his second trophy at Pensacola). Again, our little group got to stand and cheer a winner. The announcer even made mention of our affiliation with MCMC both times. After the presentations, we had a great supper and congratulated our heroes, admiring their handsome hardwood and glass plaques, then retired early.

We hit the interstate at 9:00 Sunday morning and were back in Franklin by 5:00, tired and happy, having spent a great weekend Mustanging with good friends and apparently some pretty excellent craftsmen/trophy winners. We all agree that this is one perfect show to attend and are making plans already for next spring.

Down The Road...

APRIL 17 - 29th anniversary of the first public sale of the Ford Mustang in 1964.

APRIL 24 - Jackson, TN. Golden Circle M.C. car show at the Inn of Jackson. Registration 8:00 to noon, fee \$10. Info: Wes Alford, (901) 755-7018.

MAY 1 - Goodlettsville, TN. Our Club's Spring Show.

MAY 8 - Oak Ridge, TN. Tenn. Valley M.C. Fun Show, K-Mart on Illinois Ave. \$10 registration. Info: Bill Vermillion, (615) 376-4226.

MAY 15 - Gallatin, TN. All-car and truck show sponsored by Gallatin High School Band Boosters. At the H.S., proceeds to the band. Registration 8:00 to noon, fee \$10.

- Columbia, TN. Car show.

- Huntsville, AL. Rocket City M.C. 13th Annual Show, Madison Square Mall, University Dr. at Rideout Rd. Registration 8:00 to noon. Fee \$15. Info: Gary Dempsey, (205) 895-0280.

MAY 21-23 - Nashville, IN. 16th Annual Indiana Shelby Spring Fling. Info: Steve or Joyce Yates, (812) 998-7146.

MAY 21-22 - Little Rock, AR. River City National MCA Show hosted by Central Ark. Mustangers, N.W. Ark. M.C. and Ark. Valley M.C. At the Riverfront Hilton. Registration \$20. Info: David Green, (501) 568-8743.

JUNE 11-13 - Cincinnati, OH. Tri-State M.C. MCA National Show, Forest Fair Mall, I-275 at Winston Rd. Registration Friday and Saturday a.m. Friday party, trophies Sunday. Cincinnati District Office of FoMoCo is sponsoring. 60 Mustang classes, all Ford-powered welcome. Info: Al, (513) 771-4558.

JUNE 12 - Murfreesboro, TN. 8th Annual PFC Central Tenn. Region Southern Nationals. Central Middle School, East Main St. Portion of proceeds benefit Good Shepherd Children's Home. Registration 9:00 to 1:00. Fee \$10. 9 Mustang classes, all Ford-powered welcome. Info: Mark Stacey, 896-5514.

FOR SALE: '68 Mustang Convertible - AT, PS, 351W from '69 Mach 1 (orig. a 289), Red (orig. white), black int., black pwr top. Perfect. Will consider partial trade for labor on '66 Cpe. resto project or MIG welder or HYL paint compressor. \$3400. Mike McCann, 885-6188.