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# 2022 SPRING ROUNDUP

MIST & CLOUDS TURN TO SUN & FUN

# President's Message

June has arrived, the car season is in full swing, and our first show of the year is in the books. Besides our own show, May & June are always filled with great shows and events.

Our now traditional third Sunday in May, Spring Round Up took place on May 15<sup>th</sup>. What started out as a wet early morning, transitioned into a fine mist by the time participants started arriving around 8 am. The mist and clouds would break up by late morning and everyone was searching for the tanning lotion. With the early weather, our expectations were conservative, but we wound up registering over 160 vehicles, with over 50 members' cars on the show field.

A lot of work goes into these shows, and I'd like to thank the committee chairs as well as all the members who helped make this event a success. Thank you also to the show chairmen, Tom Addeo & Al Vizzone. Tom has been serving as show chairman for several years now and has decided that this would be his last show as chairman. I would like to thank Tom for his efforts running some of the most successful shows the club's ever had. But you know Tom, rarely does anyone ever completely retire in this club.

The first weekend in June is always the time for the Carlisle Ford Nationals. With near perfect weather, they had a record number (3,400+) of FoMoCo vehicles on hand in Pennsylvania. We had several GSRMC members at the event, and a few that participated in the

Team Shelby Pocono companion event. Look for Tom S's article elsewhere in this issue.



Carlisle provides tents for registered clubs and has contests for who has the best display. Congratulations to fellow NJ area club, Venom Outlaws, for winning the Coolest Club award. It has been suggested that our club should participate as a club with our own tent. Joe D. had offered to investigate it and see what the requirements are, but I would like to hear from you. Would you consider registering your car for the event if we had a club tent? Let me or Joe know. I realize that the 2022 event just ended but we need to plan to make this happen for 2023. Carlisle is offering discounted early registration, so if you take advantage of that make sure you tell them you're with the GSRMC.

Now it's time to look to the future and a few events detailed elsewhere in the newsletter:

**June 18** – Membership meeting & Ice Cream Social. Wednesday night at the American Legion Hall, we will be serving up ice cream and plenty of toppings. We'll have bowls, cones and even soda to make ice cream sodas.

**July 4** – We will be participating in the Maywood & Ridgefield Park parades again this year. BBQ to follow at my house in Wood Ridge. Please RSVP if attending.

**July 9** – Mini Golf, Pizza & Cruise Night. We will be meeting at the Golf Zone on Rt 206 on Flanders for what promises to be a legendary 18 holes of miniature golf. This will be followed by pizza and a cruise night across the street at Frank's Pizza. Who knows, maybe we'll even end the night with more ice cream.

**Sept. 2-5** – The Semmlers are running a weekend tour to the Halderman Museum in Ohio. We don't do a lot of weekend tours so this should be fun.

That's quite a list, but to keep up on everything, consider attending the monthly meetings. It's the best way to stay informed, meet your fellow members and once & a while we even break out into a spontaneous song.

Oh, and don't forget to pick up your pre-ordered jackets, shirts & sweatshirts.

See you at the meeting,

Mike D., #001

<b>Welcome New Members</b>		
Marcus Castromil	Kearny	'12 Mustang GT
George & Stacey B	Branchville	'67 Mustang
Christiano Ferreira	Hopatcong	'22 Mustang GT
Gary Malanga	Califon	'16 Shelby GT 350
Peter Marrotoli	Parlin	'07 Shelby GT 500
Joe Pugliese	Totowa	'16 Mustang
Ryan Greene	Whippany	'66 Mustang
Gerard & Erica Baczkowski	Watchung	'18 Shelby GT 350
Tom & Anne Hartman	Morris Plains	'69 Bronco
Gabriel DeMatos	Kenilworth	'12 Mustang

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- June 11 Car show. Elks Lodge #1506, Ridgefield Park. [mlffoundation@yahoo.com](mailto:mlffoundation@yahoo.com)
- June 12 1<sup>st</sup> Ann. Summer Roundup Ford Car Show. All American Ford, Old Bridge
- June 15 GSRMC Meeting. Ice Cream Social**
- June 18 3<sup>rd</sup> Ann. Car Show. Stop & Shop, Emerson. 201-248-6193
- June 19 27<sup>th</sup> Ann Cruise to the Shore CarShow. Promenade, Long Branch, NJ 732-693-5487
- June 26 Tri-County Cruisers 26<sup>th</sup> Ann Car Show. Town Hall, Wayne.
- July 4 Parades. Maywood & Ridgefield Park**
- July 9 GSRMC Mini Golf, Pizza & Cruise Night. Flanders**
- July 10 21<sup>st</sup> Ann River Edge Car Show. River Dell HS, Oradell. [www.recarshow.org](http://www.recarshow.org)
- July 20 GSRMC Meeting**
- July 29-31 Nickel City Muatang Roundup, MCA National Show, Amherst, NY [info@wnymustang.org](mailto:info@wnymustang.org)
- Aug. 13 16<sup>th</sup> Ann. Cops N Rodders Car Show. Lowes /Wendys, Hackettstown.
- Aug. 27 Annual Car Show. King of Kings Lutheran Church, Middletown. Gerry 732-600-1186
- Aug. 27 Q104.3 Rock N Roll Car Show. Overpeck County Park, Ridgefield Park. [Q1043.com](http://Q1043.com)
- Aug. 28 GSRMC Picnic. Picatinny Arsenal**
- Sept. 2-5 GSRMC Halderman Museum Trip. Tripp, Ohio.**
- Sept. 25 Endless Summer Car Show. Parker Homestead, Little Silver. [www.amcomc.org](http://www.amcomc.org)
- Oct. 2 Autoberfest Open Car Show. Nielsen Dodge, E. Hanover.**

## FREE ICE CREAM

# CLUB NEWS

Who doesn't like that?

We will be holding our annual Ice Cream Social at the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. Everybody loves ice cream so this is always a popular meeting. There will be different flavors of ice cream along with all the fixings to make your own personalized treat. So bring the whole family for a really cool time. We will also be having another Meeting Cruise Night. We encourage all members attending the June meeting to bring their ponies with them. Come out early to see what everybody's driving, just don't drip ice cream on the cars. Cruising starts at 7:00pm and the ice cream will be served around 7:45pm.



really like to see a diverse group, including a good turnout of first generation cars.

We have been invited back to the Independence Day parades in Maywood and Ridgefield Park. Although they are both on July 4<sup>th</sup>, there is enough time between parades so those who wish can participate in both. We will be getting paid by both towns for participating, so we'd like to have a good turnout at both. We need to line up for the Maywood parade at 8:30am in the parking lot of Myron Manufacturing on Maywood Ave. After a brief pit stop, we will cruise over to Ridgefield Park for their parade's starting time of 11:20am.

Keep in mind that these towns start closing down streets early near the parade route.

**We are looking for 1 convertible for the Maywood parade & 3 for the R.P. parade to carry young dignitaries. If you can help out, please contact Mike D.**

Following the R.P. parade, participants are invited to Mike & Louise D.'s house nearby for a BBQ. If you will be attending the BBQ, please let Mike know by 6/29. [8550mustang@gmail.com](mailto:8550mustang@gmail.com) or 201-421-0871.

## COVER CARS WANTED

Your car on the cover of your club's newsletter. What could be better than that? And it's so easy.

We are looking for GSRMC members' Mustangs to feature on the cover and inside the Pony Xpress. All you have to do is take a few pictures of your prized pony from different angles; front, rear, ¾ front, engine compartment, interior, etc. Then either write an article about your "baby" or fill out the info sheet located elsewhere in this issue. Finally, e-mail them to Mike D. at [8550mustang@gmail.com](mailto:8550mustang@gmail.com) and sit by your computer until your Mustang gets the star status it deserves. It really is just that simple.

## WE LOVE A PARADE(S)

Parades are a fun way to show off your car and we hope many of you will participate in one or all of the them that we have coming up. Although it doesn't matter what year or body style Mustang you have, we'd



## TRACK TOUR

The South Jersey Mustang Club has invited us to join them on a Dover Motor Speedway track tour they have scheduled for Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. The track hosts two Nascar races each year and is located in Dover DE. The SJMC has done this before and it includes taking your cars out on the track following a pace car for several laps, touring the garage area, the media center, victory lane and stopping for several photo ops. The cost is \$20 per car and an extra cost for passengers. I hope to have more details in the coming months. Contact Mike D. if you are interested.

# I BOUGHT A FUSION

**M**y daily driver Toyota was 15 years old with close to 219,000 miles on it, so we decided to trade it in, for another car, in addition to my Mustang. At first, I considered buying a new Ford Escape and started looking into them, but another SUV was not what I truly wanted, so I passed on that. So, what to pursue next? I wanted my next car to be another Ford. Ten to fifteen years ago I test drove one or two new Ford Fusions at about the same time I was looking into buying another Mustang. I was very impressed with the Fusions, but I wanted another Mustang and went that route instead. But I remember saying to myself that if the Mustangs never existed, I would buy a Fusion instead. So here today in 2022, I decided to look at a Ford Fusion.

This was a great idea, except that they were out of production since 2020! On April 19, I started researching the Fusions on several websites. All I knew about them was that they looked great, were comfortable and drove well. After that it was time to start doing my homework! The Wikipedia Ford Fusion (Americas) article said that the Fusion was a 4-door sedan that was the successor to the Ford Contour. Ford assembled the Fusion from 2006 to 2020, with two generations over the years, and various gasoline and hybrid engine versions. They were assembled as either front-wheel drive or all-wheel drive cars. The Fusions were built at Ford's Hermosillo plant in Sonora, Mexico. Production began on August 1, 2005 as a 2006 year model. The Fusion was considered a mid-size car between the smaller Focus and the full-size Taurus. The Fusion was also sold in other countries beyond the United States, with some using the name of Ford Mondeo instead.

The first generation Fusions were assembled from 2005 through 2012. They were based upon the Ford CD3 platform, which was actually Mazda's G platform, that was shared with the Mazda 6, Lincoln MKZ and Mercury Milan. The Fusion went through many upgrades and refreshes over the years, until the second generation Fusions were unveiled in 2012 as 2013 models. These latest Fusions used the Ford CD4 platform instead, resulting in a slightly larger sedan. Production continued at the Hermosillo plant, but strong sales required that



additional capacity was added for several years at the Flat Rock, Michigan location.

The Fusion was available in



several models over the years, such as the S, SE, SEL, Titanium, Hybrid, Sport, Platinum and Energi. There were also six different engines offered between 2013 and 2020. Two were Duratec I4 gasoline engines, and the others were Ecoboost Turbocharged I4 or V6 motors. Based upon what I reviewed, I decided that I wanted to find a Fusion with a Duratec 25 I4, which was a 2.5L (152 CID) engine, developing 175hp at 6000 RPM. It produced 175 ft-lb of torque, and was coupled to a 6-speed automatic transmission rated at 21/32/25 mileage.

The Fusion received a facelift for the 2017 model year, which changed the front and rear styling, and again in 2019, but by 2018, Ford planned to discontinue the Fusion along with its other sedan models as Ford was shifting toward trucks, SUVs and the Mustang. As a result, model year 2020 was the final year for the Fusion in North America when production halted that July, ending all of Ford's 4-door cars in the North America. Ford sold 3,185,690 Fusions in the United States between 2005 and 2021.

I registered with Carmax, the nationwide used car selling agency. I had never worked with them before, but their site looked promising. After reading, "Many of our cars are eligible for a 24-hour test drive, and each comes with our 30-Day Money Back Guarantee," Carmax looked like a great place to find a good, used late model Fusion. I reviewed their inventory within a 250-mile radius from my home southwest of Baltimore, MD, and I decided that I wanted a 2.5L Fusion, preferably in blue with less than 30K miles. This led to many good candidates, but the pick of the litter that I was fortunate to locate was a Lightning Blue (paint code N6) 2017 Fusion SE with a black leatherette interior and a 2.5L engine. It was located in Salisbury, MD, had only 9,000 miles and was due in shortly. This was 110 miles away. I sent an email to Carmax in Salisbury indicating that I was interested, but I doubted that I

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## (Fusion, continued)

had any real chance of getting this car. With that low mileage I was convinced that ten other people would contact Carmax ahead of me to get it. But much to my surprise it was available only two days! I contacted Carmax again and paid a \$99 transfer fee to have the car delivered to the closest Carmax to me, only a few miles from my home.

I had the Vehicle Identification Number and ran a history search through Bumper, an online agency much like Carfax, and AutoCheck. No accidents or thefts were reported for this car, and there were no open recalls. This Fusion was manufactured on December 16, 2016 and shipped to Darcars Ford, 9020 Lanham Severn Rd, Lanham, MD. It was a personal use, one-owner car and bought on August 29, 2017, but it was not titled until October 12, 2017 in nearby College Park, MD, with only 12 miles on the odometer. The last reported mileage was only 8,134 miles on 4/18/2022 when Carmax in Salisbury received the car.

On April 26, the Fusion was shipped, and it arrived in Ellicott City on April 29, but this location wanted to complete one last quality check before I saw it. On May 2, my wife and I went to test drive the blue '17 Ford Fusion. We first discussed the car with our salesman, and then they drove the car around front for us to see. It was a warm and bright spring day, and we first saw the car from a reflection in the glass door way. We then turned and walked out to see the car in the drive. It looked so amazing in the sunlight that it actually choked me up! I could not believe that a car that seemed like such a long shot was now parked in front of us waiting to be driven! We took the Fusion for a 30-minute ride, and it was smooth and seemed very refined. Its black leatherette interior was comfortable and flawless, and the car was quiet on the interstates. We drove the Fusion back with less than 8,200 miles and completed the paper work. The sale came with a 90-days or 4,000 miles limited warranty, although I added a longer warranty, and a few hours later this beautiful car was parked in our driveway!

I decided to give the Fusion to my mechanic for a day and asked him look the car over completely. In the event that something major was wrong, I needed to know within the first 30-days in the event so the car could to be taken back. I also wanted to zero out its maintenance, along with an oil change and a new battery. I had ordered a replacement Motorcraft battery as I could not tell how old the one was that came with the car. If it was the original, it may not have too much life left. Fortunately, my Fusion passed all of the tests!

Over the next few weeks, I had more time to inspect my car carefully to see what minor repairs or improvements were needed. After all, it really was a five and a half year old car! What I found was that both of the alloy wheels on the right side had mild rim scratches from scraping curbs. I could not find the paint code for the silver-grey color of my rims, so I went to an auto parts store and picked a random bottle of Toyota Silver Sky (M) (paint code 106) touch up paint, and much to my surprise, it was a decent match! Now the wheels looked much better. Another set of emblems was ordered from Autobadgez.com to dress up the rear deck and spoiler. I bought a roll of 1/16" black pinstripe and striped both sides of my car. This was subtle and looked appropriate. I added black tag frames and painted the attaching bolts gloss black. I ordered a set of black rubber mats from the internet that matched a set I had used before.

Now I wanted to add some chrome trim, so I ordered two more sets of OEM "SE" trunk badges from FordPartsGiant.com and placed them on the sides of my front fenders. Finally, I went on the Autobadgez.com site and ordered two sets of 3/4" tall, italics "2.5L" badges, and one set of "I4" for the trunk to contrast the blue paint and dress up the exterior more. All of these appearance mods made my Fusion look better.

After owning my Fusion for several weeks, I have found it to be an incredibly nice running car and a joy to own and drive. It is very quiet and the power seems more than adequate. It also has several very clever features. One is its rotary controlled automatic transmission dial on the center console. I just turn the knob and select the gear I want. One unique aspect with this dial is that if I am sitting still and open the door, the dial will automatically shift into Park. I will have to reset the knob to get back into Drive or Reverse. If I get out of the car with the engine running, the horn honks to remind me that the motor is still on! If I sit in the car for longer than 20-30 minutes with the engine idling, the engine turns itself off. All of this is very well thought out.

Finally, I can see where my '17 Fusion may have the potential to be taken to a few car shows. If it were clean and a show came along where I may be hesitant to take my Mustang because of marginal weather or other circumstances, and if the Fusion would fit into one of the classes, then rather than not go, taking the Fusion may not be a bad idea. When a show flyer says they welcome "all makes, models and years," or "rain or shine," my Fusion may get the call!

Text & Photos - Rick Mitchell, #1105





## HALDERMAN MUSEUM TRIP

Labor Day weekend we will be heading out to Tripp, OH to the Gale Halderman Museum. Gale was instrumental in the development of the first Mustang, and a designer of many other Fords through the years. The museum has invited us to the Barn for a car show and tour! Please bring your Mustangs if you can, as John Clor will be there to do an article on us for Ford Performance! Your car's picture could make the article! We can drive out Friday/Saturday September 3. The tour/cruise will be Sunday September 4, then we can drive back Monday September 5 which is a holiday, as it is Labor Day. We can add a stop on Saturday, if anyone can think of someplace fun along the way!

We will be staying at the Fairfield Inn and Suites Dayton/ Troy, 83 Troy Town Drive, Troy, Ohio 45373. Bookable at Marriott.com or whatever travel site you prefer to use! Book for arriving September 3 check out September 5. Please let me know on Facebook or by email if you want to attend!

Helaina S., herpony68@gmail.com

## CRUISE NJ IN STYLE

The new GSRMC t-shirts, sweatshirts & hoodies have arrived, and they are spectacular. The men's shirt is offered in Indigo Heather (L) & Grey, while the women's shirt is available in grey & Royal Heather (R). The sweatshirts & hoodies are grey only.

If you pre-ordered, your items will be available meetings & events or by contacting Mike D. at [8550mustang@gmail.com](mailto:8550mustang@gmail.com) or 201-421-0871 to make other arrangements. **Unpaid shirts will only be held until the 6/15 meeting.**

The bulk of the inventory is L & XL men's shirts, but there are limited numbers of other styles & sizes available while supplies last.

We also have new GSRMC logo keychains available.

T-Shirts (All) – SM-XL \$15 each (add \$3 ea. to 3XL)

Crewneck Sweatshirt – \$25 each (add \$3 ea. to 3XL)

Hoodie - \$30 each (add \$3 ea. to 3XL)

Keychains - \$3.50 each or 2 for \$6

Merchandise can only be paid by cash or check.

**If you have not picked up your club jacket, please do so at the June meeting or contact Mike D. [8550mustang@gmail.com](mailto:8550mustang@gmail.com) to make other arrangements.**



## MINI GOLF TOURNAMENT CRUISE NIGHT & FREE PIZZA

Who doesn't like at least one of those things, but we're giving it all to you in one crazy night. The event starts at the Golf Zone at 239 Rt. 206 in Flanders at 4 pm on Saturday, July 9th. We will play at least 18 holes of the most intense mini golf you have ever experienced. The cost for a group of 10 or more will be \$8 per person. From there we will cross the street for pizza at Frank's around 6 pm. We will have a designated parking area for our Mustangs.

Please join us for either or both events. Please contact Bryan K. [sn97azgt@gmail.com](mailto:sn97azgt@gmail.com) or Bill C. if you will be attending.



## SPRING ROUNDUP 2022

**W**ell, we put another show in the books. The day started off foggy with showers and just basically pretty miserable.....but around 10:30 or so the sun made an appearance and it turned out beautiful. We had some beautiful cars and trucks show up. We had Tony from The New Jersey Firemans Home and Shania from Mt.Pleasant Animal Rescue representing our 2 selected charities, each accepting \$200 checks as a partial donation.



I must thank ALL the club members that volunteered their time and effort to help with the many tasks of putting on a successful show. As was announced, I am retiring from the position of show chairman and want to say thank you for all the help and support that was given to me over the past few years, it made a stressful and sometimes difficult job a little easier.

From what I have been told we had 131 cars on the field which for the weather we had was 100 more than I expected. I hope everyone had a great time. Vera and the Force did a great job with the entertainment, and it was a nice change of pace.

Thank you again.

Tom A. - Show Chairman (retired ) #624

Photos – Joe D., #588 & Mike D., #001





# TRACK DAY

## HEAT #2

**M**y father and I have essentially taken a stock 4.6L GT and built a budget GT500 over five years. Modifications over that time included: Tremec T56 Magnum six-speed transmission, aluminum driveshaft, Ford Racing Hot Rod Cams, Ford Racing Adjustable Suspension, 4 Piston Brembo Brakes, and a GT450 Department of Boost supercharger kit.

My first track experience was at Pocono Raceway through the prior year Team Shelby event, which I heard about through fellow GSRMC member Bill Chernack. This year's track day offered the same class choices as last year. Continuing my dive into track days, I signed up for the 2022 Team Shelby East Coast Grand Nationals, this time moving up to the Novice class. To qualify and participate, I bought a certified helmet and hoped for the weather to hold out in early June. This time, I was lucky enough to have an instructor available and he accompanied me for three out of four sessions, one of which was in the rain. This was completely different than last year as I was mic'd up this time and he could talk me through the course, providing instruction and criticism along the way.

It was a real benefit to have an instructor provide feedback, especially since he had 20 years' experience and brought his own Nissan GTR to the event. While I don't claim to be a professional or even a good driver, my instructor kept yelling at me for looking in the rearview mirrors (especially in non-passing zones). The feedback was clear – in non-passing zones, there's nothing you can do about the car behind you, so don't pay them any mind and focus on your inputs/racing line. Now that I was permitted to pass (and be passed), I could stretch my car's legs a bit and attain a higher top speed, usually around 115-120 MPH. While my 450HP GT isn't too shabby, there were a good number of new GT500s, pushing over 750HP and they would leave me in the dust on the long straight. However, I did feel my car had a sufficient amount of power as I was able



to go to 6K RPM using full throttle in 3rd/4th gear on the main straight. For my last session of the day, they grouped the Novice Solo and Instructor groups together, all while extending the session to 30 minutes instead of 20. This was a great opportunity to run a dry track and space myself out from others, all without an instructor riding shotgun. I tried my best to put his teachings to practice and make the most of this session without any training wheels. I was a little too ambitious as I reached 130MPH the last couple laps and only had a smidge of brakes left when I pulled into the garages. I had found the top speed and brake system limit but had a fantastic (and safe) time doing so.



While the track day was the event's first portion, the other days were full of activities, including a poker run, auction events, and Ford/Shelby guest speakers. Despite having a normal GT in a Team Shelby event, I would encourage all to consider the event or even just one of the days. Due to the sheer magnitude of enjoyment I had at Pocono, I'm now hooked on tracking my car and getting the satisfaction from using all those modifications in a safe environment. We bought these cars for a reason and the track allows you to exercise them as little or as much as you're comfortable with. Spending the weekend with fellow Mustang/Ford enthusiasts and seeing all the cars at Carlisle is something to remember. I'll be attending next year and I hope to see you at the track!

Tom Spring, #976

# GSRMC MEMBERS OUT & ABOUT



## GSRMC MEMBER IS A DOUBLE WINNER AT CARLISLE

**B**ill Schulz Took his 64 ½ Mustang convertible to the Carlisle Ford Nationals and brought home two awards. On Saturday, his car was picked by legendary drag racer Bruce Larson to receive a Celebrity Choice Award. Then on Sunday he picked up a First in the stock 65-67 class. Not bad for a show that comprised over 3,400 vehicles.

# MUSCLE CARS

WE  
WANT  
YOU  
...Enlist  
Now!



Sunday

If you have always wanted to be a part of Lead East with your newer Mustang, now's your chance. For Sunday only, there is a show within the show for more modern Mustangs, Corvettes & muscle cars. There will be trophies and registrants will have access to the rest of the show.

If we have 10 or more people interested, we can register as a club and get a reduced rate of \$25 per car and \$10 for an extra passenger. **To take advantage of the discount, all cars must be registered on the same form, so please contact me, 8550mustang@gmail.com, if interested.**



# ROUND UP

All Cars (1Day Only) that Meet Criteria Welcome to Attend & Be Eligible To Win Awards & Trophies (As Announced \$35.00 with Wrist Band plus All Children Under 16 Special Discount for Car Clubs of 10 or More. ANY CAR ALREADY REGISTERED PLAN A or B IS WELCOMED NO CHARGE & ELIGIBLE TO WIN PRIZES. JUST SHOW CREDENTIALS WHEN ENTERING D-LOT 9AM SUNDAY.

for more info CALL **908-876-9100**

# MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES



346<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Date: May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Doors opened: 7:00 pm for social chat & Mustang cruise

Potluck Supper started: 7:45 pm

Business Meeting opened: 8:38 pm

Meeting Adjourned: 9:30 pm

President Mike welcomed all attendees. Started with the Pledge of Allegiance. Approximately 40 members attended.

## **Guest Speaker:**

Ray and Fred organizers of Lead East; 4-day festival; started event Muscle car mania – waived all year restrictions on Sunday the 4th – couldn't cruise; 8 categories; DJ, vendors and food truck \$35.00 entry into show; 3 concerts and Friday night dance party

## **Secretary's Report:**

The April monthly meeting minutes as printed in the May 2022 newsletter were reviewed and approved!

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Jim S. gave the report.

## **Membership Report:**

Joe D. absent but texted that we currently have 207 paid members:6 new members from the car show.

## **Sunshine Report:**

Casey – we are good.

## **Merchandising:**

Maureen and Tom are working hard selling some shirts. Jackets – anyone who ordered can pick them up in the back

## **Website:**

Bill C – loaded pictures of car shows; contribute to Joe Rose on front page.

Registration issue; online payment connected to URL of .net not .org; board decided to pay the additional funds so it is registered to both

## **Facebook:**

Nothing to report

## **Newsletter:**

Newsletter sent out last week; if you didn't get it let him know as you should get one every month.

Send Mike pictures from the show for the archives and Newsletter.

Always in need of cover cars

## **National Report:**

Helania and John not present. 2022 Nationals: April in Florence SC; May 20th in Suisun, CA; July 29th in Buffalo, NY; and September 2nd Grand National in Evans GA.

## **Old Business:**

Spring Car show – Tom got to field at 6 am in the rain; by 10:30 sun was out; got 161 cars for the day; really nice cars; minor issues with parking; a lot of help from club; major issue was food truck – he left at 12:30 as he wasn't making enough money. Show went smoothly.

Tom officially turned over the binder and keys.

Robotic show was good; see if they are interested in coming back.

Jim reported the breakdown of the show; \$100.00 donation to each school

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**(Minutes, continued)**

52 members pre-registered; 2 members day of 9 pre-nomembers and 98 day of non-members.

Wall Ford show is this weekend; Bronco Bash – open car show; did a car show years ago with them. Starts at 10 am; interested in our support; will set up meeting spot; will post on Facebook and email; Nascar car will be there. Team Shelby having an event prior to Ford Nationals in Carlisle. Pocono raceway – can do some track time; Wild Stallion show on June 12th at All American Ford in Old Bridge. Top 50 awards and best of shows. Club cruise nights – one a month; Friday night is Boonton. July 4th parades – Maywood meet at 8:30; then brief break and then go to Ridgefield Park that starts at 11:40; get paid by both towns; BBQ at Mike’s house Louise does not know yet. Both on Monday.

**New Business:**

June 15th our next meeting will be ice cream social; club will bring the ice cream. Working on Fall show; October 2nd; board will work on theme Need car show chairperson – as Tom A retired. Would like to have raffle and door prizes for next show. Charity – Brix City Animal Rescue – would like to have them back; other charity – breast cancer awareness – need suggestion for charity; maybe give away beer mugs. This Saturday, Bill Priticht is running a Spring Mystery Tour – so we don’t know where we are going but it takes 2 hours to get there. Meeting at Diner on 78 at 10 am. AACA has invited to some events: June 4th Somerset Run condo – display; Private Collection in Wall on June 11th – known for his 59 Cadillacs; June 19th senior facility.

**Miscellaneous**

**Business:**

Cars for Sale – Mike still has his mustang for sale. Shows – August 19, 2023 – Woodward Ave

in Michigan- largest car show in the world; mustang alley; can get a car carrier if more people interested; bucket list type of thing

Guy has a condo in Wharton for rent with an oversized garage, decorated garage as a car guys garage with TV. No picture of inside condo only garage.

Radio Station Q104.3 is having a show in Overpeck Park in Ridgefield Park. Recommends pre-registrating. August 27th

**Hospitality Report:**

Thank you, Casey and Bryan, for setting up the refreshments.

Bill C. for bringing drinks.

And everyone who brought stuff; make sure you take your containers.

**Reminders:**

Sign attendance sheet

Motion to close the 346th meeting was made and seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Ann Rose, #653 GSRMC Secretary

**GSRMC meetings begin at 8pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at American Legion Post 155, 13 Legion Pl., Whippany, NJ 07981**

**Members & guests are encouraged to attend.**

# PONY XPRESS MUSTANG INFORMATION SHEET

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Engine Modifications: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Trans: \_\_\_\_\_ Axle Ratio: \_\_\_\_\_

Body Style: \_\_\_\_\_ Mileage: \_\_\_\_\_

Open, Limited Slip or Locker? \_\_\_\_\_

How Long Have You Owned This Car? \_\_\_\_\_

Other Options or Additions: \_\_\_\_\_

Original \_\_\_\_\_ Restored \_\_\_\_\_ Modified \_\_\_\_\_

Who Performed Restoration/Modification? \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Use: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How Often Driven \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior Color? \_\_\_\_\_

Please write the answers to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper. Tell us as much as you like, we want to know about you and your car.

Original Paint? \_\_\_\_\_ Original Color? \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Wheels/Wheel Covers: \_\_\_\_\_

1. If you are not the original owner, how did you locate this Mustang?
2. Does your car have an unusual history? Low mileage, very high mileage, drag racing?
3. In what condition did you find it? Was the color correct? Was the engine correct? What major changes were necessary to make the car original?
4. Which options are original, and which have you added in restoration?
5. How long did the restoration take? Was it done at your home, or in professional shops? Who were the pros, if any?
6. Has this car received awards or special recognition? Has it ever been featured in magazine articles?
7. Did any family members assist in your restoration? Any fellow club members assist?
8. Do you prefer to drive your Mustang daily, occasionally, or never? do you take part in concours shows, racing or AACA events?
9. Please add any other interesting information about you and your Mustang.
10. Have you owned other notable Mustangs or Sheldys in recent years? What and when?

Tire Size/Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior Options: \_\_\_\_\_

Interior Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Standard or Dlx? \_\_\_\_\_

Interior Options: \_\_\_\_\_

Engine Size & Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Original/Rebuilt? \_\_\_\_\_

If Rebuilt, Who did work? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_

Factory Engine Options: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this page, your answers and a photo to:

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