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President's Message

I have been aware of Podcasts for some time but never really gave them much thought. Those of you who know me, know that I do not fully embrace modern technology. I tend to use my mobile phone for calls and begrudgingly texts. I do not always have it and often lose track of it. So, when I heard people talk about Podcasts, I wondered what was so interesting about peas.

As it turns out podcasts are basically recordings of people talking. It didn't seem like something I would be interested in or would have time for. However, after another column in *Mustang Times* where Ford Performance's John Clor talked about the Mustang Owner's Podcast that he and Steve Hall of the Mustang Owners Museum share, I thought maybe I'd check it out. If I could figure out how.

Well, it turned out to be relatively easy, at least if you have an iPhone. I'm sure you can access it on other platforms, but I wasn't going to push it. As it turns out, I like it. As someone who reads a magazine, remember those, from beginning to end, starting with the various editorial columns, I went all the way back to the beginning episodes (Do they use that term?) from 2021. Now there's a new one just about every Thursday, so I have a lot of catching up to do.

Steve & John alternate hosting duties and John is usually with Mike Rey from the MOCSEM Mustang club of Michigan. Steve's Podcasts are primarily interviews with notable and/or interesting people in the Mustang world. In the early ones he had the owner/buyer of the first Mustang sold, the salesman who sold serial number 1 in Canada and Jack Telnack, who is generally given credit as the lead designer of the Fox body Mustang and the ensuing Aero Age at Ford.

Although I've been doing this Mustang club thing for three decades plus, I am always interested in what other clubs are doing and how they meet the challenges of maintaining a successful club. Two of John's first Pcs (I just can't type it out anymore.) dealt with why enthusiasts should join a club and the business side of running a club. A subsequent Pc had them crashing a retirement party for a Ford exec and stalking the door for interview subjects. I know that our own Ron & Helaina were featured one week so I will look forward to that.

Overall, I must admit that the whole Pc thing is growing on me. Maybe I'll listen in the car or while I'm cleaning the garage or during GSRMC Board meetings. However, they would have you believe that this is a new phenomenon but, although they were before my time, it kind of reminds me of days before TV when people would get their entertainment from the radio. Hmmm.

Ok, back to our club. What a day we had for our Spring Roundup show on June 11th. The weather was perfect, and the turnout was great. Our first-time show chairs Paul, Nancy & Brian did a great job of learning on the job. How about those awards? Mark Signorelli did a great job with Bill C.'s idea and a pile of horseshoes. Performance Ford offered us their Randolph location and it was just big enough to fit everybody in. Please be sure to read Paul's recap elsewhere in this issue and see some of the great pictures. Thank you to all who helped make it a great day.

There was a computer problem with the tallying program at the end of the show. While we were able to present the non-member awards, we didn't want to extend the show to calculate the winning GSRMC members. Therefore, we will be presenting the top ten members from the show at the meeting Wednesday night.

Did you notice our new 30th Anniversary logo on the cover? My thanks go out to GSRMC member, Ryan G. for creating the logo. Now maybe our membership chairman will order some anniversary t-shirts.

We head to the Mahan Truck collection next weekend. This should be a great event, so be sure to see the details on page 7. We added a post tour stop at the Autodidact Brewery where we will order in some pizza. Mustangs, Trucks, beer and pizza, where's my American flag?

Looking ahead:

October 8th – Autoberfest. Show Chairs: Tom Addeo, Ben Ashmore & Stacey Yauch. This show returns to Nielsen Dodge and we are hoping to make it our biggest show yet. Registration is open & flyers will be available at the June meeting.

October 15th - Mustang Concours d'Elegance. We will be hosting a Mustang only show at Brook Hollow Winery in Columbia. It will be a judged event for using some sort of modified MCA rules. The show would be open to both stock and modified cars of all years. I would like to see if we can get judges from outside the club to do the judging. If you would like to get involved in planning this show, please contact me.

See you at the meeting,...

Mike DeLiberto, #001

Welcome New Members

Vinay Singh	Randolph	'13 Mustang
Douglas Kupfer	River Edge	'65 Mustang
Jorge & Judy Rivera	Livingston	Several
Mark Bowlby & T.R Rathjen	Dover	'66 Mustang

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| June 21 | GSRMC Meeting, Ice Cream Social |
| June 24 | Mahan Truck Collection Tour. Basking Ridge |
| June 25 | Tri-County Cruisers 30 th Ann. Car Show. 475 Valley rd., Wayne. |
| July 4 | Independence Day Parades. Maywood & Ridgefield Park |
| July 9 | River Edge Car show. River Dell HS, River Edge. www.recarshow.org |
| July 13-15 | Team Shelby East Coast Nationals. Pittsburg Int. Race Complex. PA. |
| July 15 | 41 st Ann. Hudson Valley Mustang Assoc. Car Show. Robert Post Park, Kingston, NY. Tim – 845-473-7329. |
| July 21 | GSRMC Meeting, Rita's Ice Night. |
| July 27 | 22 nd Ann Car & Bike Show. 5-8 pm Wallington Plumbing, Saddle Brook. |
| Aug. 19-24 | Royal Caribbean Cruise to Bermuda |
| Aug. 19 | PowerPortal Prod. Car Show. Rt 57, Hackettstown. www.P3rents.com |
| Aug. 20 | 28 th Ann Rolling Iron Antique Car Show. '96 and older. Allaire Village, Farmingdale, NJ www.allairevillage.org |
| Aug. 27 | GSRMC Picnic |
| Oct. 8 | Autoberfest Car Show. Nielsen Dodge, E. Hanover. |
| Oct. 15 | Mustang Concours d'Elegance. Brook Hollow Winery, Columbia |

GSRMC member Jeff Chase is offering his automotive repair services to fellow members at reasonable rates. Call/text Jeff at 201-452-5244 or jnccar@comcast.net

FREE ICE CREAM

Who doesn't like that?

We will be holding our annual Ice Cream Social at the June 21st 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 7:30pm.

CLUB NEWS



the them that we have coming up. Although it doesn't matter what year or body style Mustang you have, we'd 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 4th, 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 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 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



SHOW REGISTRATION DISCOUNT

One of the perks of being a GSRMC member is that you get to register our two major shows for only \$5. This discount only applies to vehicles pre-registered by the deadline. **This special rate is not printed on the flyer so it is up to you to register at the \$5 rate and indicate on the form that you are a GSRMC member.** If you are registering online, use the special discount code **20BEERMUG23** for the Autoberfest show.

ADDING ANOTHER PONY TO THE STABLE

I have been a fan of the Fifth Generation Mustangs assembled between 2005 to 2014 ever since they were introduced by Ford. There was always something special about these retro-inspired cars that was appealing. At first, I wanted another six-cylinder Mustang, but I was not interested in the 4.0L models with 200hp. This changed for the better when Ford developed its new 3.7L V6 engine with 305hp for the 2011 Mustangs, an engine that was available through the 2017 Sixth Generation models, and then discontinued in favor of the EcoBoost four-cylinder Mustangs.

One day in late September, 2014, I realized that if I wanted a Fifth Gen V6 Mustang then I needed to visit my local dealer, Koons Ford in west Baltimore, soon and seriously consider buying one before they were gone. I met a sales rep who said that there were base V6 Mustangs as well as Premium V6 models, but about \$3000 more was needed to upgrade to a Premium Mustang. I did not want to go that high and instead focused on a base V6 Mustang as it seemed that this was all I needed.

We looked at the different color Mustangs, and I narrowed my choices to blue, silver and grey. Deep Impact Blue, though, looked as if it had a touch of purple and Ingot Silver seemed too light, so my choice was Sterling Grey. This dealer, though, did not have a grey base V6 coupe in its inventory, but there was one at another Koons store in Sterling, VA, and so they dealer-exchanged for that car, and I took it home a few days later. This is the Mustang that I have featured in numerous modification stories over the years and has also appeared in many shows. It has truly been an enjoyable car!

As we approached the winter holidays in 2022, I decided to locate another 3.7L V6 Mustang coupe to be my daily driver, in addition to my 2014 "show" car. I wanted another Mustang that I could have fun with and use my experience from modding my '14. Maybe adding some changes,



but not every upgrade seen on my '14. I wanted that rare opportunity to reach back in time once more and pull another favorite Mustang from the past forward and bring it into the current day. I have always been pleased with the 3.7L V6 engine, the most powerful six-cylinder motor that Ford installed in the Mustangs. What a cool idea!

My first choice for locating this second Mustang was to work with Carmax where I located my last daily driver. I wanted an '11 to '14 Premium V6 Mustang, and I hoped for less than 50K miles. This model would have the improved features that I could not afford nine years before, such as leather seats with a nicer looking interior and instruments, as well as better wheels and other trim. The Premium V6 Mustangs with Carmax were only bringing about \$1000 more than the base Mustangs. My next choice was the color. Since I already owned a grey Mustang, that left only blue and silver, with blue as the color I preferred.

After checking with Carmax daily for three weeks, most of the Mustangs they were selling were base models with only a few Premium cars, and there were few blue or silver Mustangs. These turned over after only a few days, and so I knew to decide quickly if the right Mustang appeared, but it was not popping up with Carmax. Then on the evening of January 11, 2023, an ad for Carvana appeared. I knew little about them, but just for fun I typed in 2011 to 2014 V6 Mustangs. Then I reviewed their choices, and I found a blue 2011 Premium V6 Mustang coupe. I was dumbfounded that I located this Mustang so quickly! It fit the criteria!

Carvana had the original window sticker that showed this Mustang was a Kona Blue Metallic 2011 V6 Premium Coupe with a Charcoal Black leather interior, a 3.7L V6 engine and a 6-speed automatic transmission. It also had the Rapid Spec 202A V6 Pony Package, including a rear decklid spoiler, Mustang logo front floor mats, painted side mirrors, white side tape stripes, a power driver's seat, a Shaker 500 audio system,



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GSRMC REVS UP THE SEAS!

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MAHAN TRUCK COLLECTION TOUR

We will be touring the Mahan Truck Collection in Basking Ridge on Saturday, June 24th. The museum houses, restores and maintains one of the largest antique truck collections in the world. The collection features display of over 200 trucks ranging from the early 1900's to 1990's. The museum comprises several buildings that also contain vintage signs & memorabilia.

We will be meeting at Dunkin Donuts at 246 Littleton Road (Route 202) in Morris Plains, just south of Route 10. **We will need to leave there at 11:30 am** for the 20-minute drive to the museum. If you wish to meet us at the museum, plan to arrive at Noon, the address is 53 Cross Road, Basking Ridge.

Most of the collection is indoors so this event is rain or shine. If the weather is good, we encourage you to bring your Mustangs.

We need to give the museum a head count, so if you plan to attend, please sign up at the June meeting or contact Mike D. at 8550mustang@gmail.com or 201-421-0871.

At about 2:30pm, for those who want to join us, we will cruise back to rt 10 in Morris Plains where we end at the recently opened Auotdidact Brewery. For those of you who have not been to a craft brewery recently, they promote a family friendly atmosphere with board games & casual seating and kids are allowed. They do not serve food however, so we will order pizza when we get there. There is a parking lot in the back of the building that should be able to accommodate 20 cars or more.

This event is open to members & friends/family. You are welcome to attend either or both parts of this event. Who knows, maybe we'll even go for ice cream afterwards.

A special thanks to Bern Davis for setting this up for us.



FORD CREATES 120TH ANNIVERSARY SPOTIFY PLAYLIST

Ford is no stranger to podcasts, with the history of the Ford Bronco being explored in depth by a very interesting program dubbed Bring Back Bronco following the launch of the sixth-generation model in 2020, while CEO Jim Farley began hosting a new podcast on Spotify called *Drive* back in May 2022. Now, as The Blue Oval gets ready to turn 120 years old tomorrow, June 16th, the automaker has revealed something extra special – a new Spotify playlist.

As one might imagine, there are a lot of songs that have been produced over the years that either center around Ford and its vehicles, or at the very least, make mention of one of those two things in their lyrics. However, in this case, FoMoCo limited its playlist to just 120 of those songs, an obvious nod toward precisely how old the company will be as of tomorrow.

Ford's influence on the world of music is on clear display in this playlist, with both obvious and surprising additions. The songs date all the way back to some that were recorded on Edison Disc celebrating the iconic Model T and move into the more modern era of the Flathead V8, which was immortalized in songs from the likes of The Beach Boys and Bruce Springsteen. The love for The Blue Oval knows no boundaries in terms of genres either, with artists such as The Beastie Boys, Gavin DeGraw, Lana Del Ray, Luke Bryan, and Alice Cooper all crooning about Ford in some capacity.

Of course, there are plenty of obvious choices here as well, including Wilson Pickett's *Mustang Sally*, *Young Americans* from David Bowie, *Bad, Bad Leroy Brown* by Jim Croce, a host of songs with model names or simply titled "Ford," and of course, a whole slew of country titles talking about the many virtues of Ford trucks. It's an interesting mix for certain, and one that certainly seems worth a listen for Blue Oval fans.

Brett Foote, fordauthority.com



2023 SPRING ROUND UP

Luck was on our side this year at the 2023 Spring Round-Up as the weather could not have been better and best of all, it turned out to be a SMOKE-FREE day! We certainly dodged that bullet by just a day or two. As a result of the fine weather, we completely filled the lot! The final tally participating in the show was 177 Ford cars and trucks. In addition, a sizable spectator crowd stopped by the Performance Ford lot to peruse all the fine vehicles.

Thanks to all the generous donations from club members, we assembled some real fine raffle prizes and along with the 50/50, we generated over \$1,000 to issue donations in the amount of \$525 each to the Mt. Pleasant Animal shelter and to the L/Cpl Robert J. Slattery Detachment of the Marine Corps League.

I know we had a bit of a glitch with the awards and trophies, but we managed to successfully resolve the issue to complete the show and get the job done. I apologize to the members for not being able to announce and give out the member awards and trophies, but we'll have them available at the next club meeting on June 21st. We're also going to be serving Ice Cream so be sure to attend the June meeting!

This was my first time being a chair of such an event and all in all I had a lot of fun, but I certainly need to give much thanks to the event co-chairs Brian DiDomenico and Nancy Clark along with our President and Vice President, Mike DeLiberto and Bill Chernack. A special thanks goes out to Mark Signorelli who made his garage available for us to make the really cool horseshoe trophies that we gave out this year.

I surely would be remiss if I didn't recognize all the volunteers who made this show such a success but there are too many to name here. The parking crew worked tirelessly throughout the hot sunny day and somehow managed to squeeze in all the vehicles. The registration crew, tabulating crew, merchandising crew, 50/50 crew, raffle crew, and clean-up crew also played a big part in making this show so successful.

Finally, the biggest thanks should go to Performance Ford for providing us with the location and financial support to run a show of this size. Doug and Jimmy at Performance were great to work with and we look forward to even bigger events in the future.

See you in the Fall at the Autoberfest!

Paul Betts, #1077





Photos – Ryan G., Sue M., John M., Pete P., & Manny P. Check out the other great pictures on our Facebook page and at www.gsrcm.org

FORD FORMALLY UNVEILS MUSTANG GT3 AT LE MANS

The best-known sports car will compete in the world’s most iconic endurance race as the Ford Mustang GT3 takes on the challenge of the 24 Hours of Le Mans in June 2024.

The Mustang GT3 race car, based on the all-new 2024 Mustang Dark Horse, was unveiled to the racing world today during the centenary celebration on the eve of the 24 Hours of Le Mans. The Mustang race car boasts a bold, colorful new look from Troy Lee, who is recognized as one of the premier motorsports designers in the world. The legendary Mustang GT3 represents Lee’s first foray with Ford race cars.

With the reveal, Ford officially enters Mustang into the global FIA GT3 category. Ford’s most recent triumph at the 24 Hours of Le Mans was in 2016 with the Ford GT.

“Ford and Le Mans are bound together by history. And now we’re coming back to the most dramatic, most rewarding and most important race in the world. It is not Ford versus Ferrari anymore. It is Ford versus everyone. Going back to Le Mans is the beginning of building a global motorsports business with Mustang, just like we are doing with Bronco and Raptor off-road.”-Jim Farley, Ford Motor Company CEO

To coincide with the unveiling, Ford also is revealing new, global Ford Performance branding – a cleaner, simplified look that will now be featured on all its racing vehicles.

This expressive and engaging new identity will help position Ford Performance as a standout lifestyle brand with a sporting mindset. The new Ford Performance mark is easier to integrate across various



environments and spaces, including car liveries, merchandise/apparel, display assets, parts/accessories and advertising.



Ford Performance extended its relationship with two longtime partners in Multimatic and M-Sport for the basis of this project. Multimatic, builders of the iconic Ford GT, were also involved in the Ford GT race program and will help build and support the Mustang GT3s, while longtime World Rally Championship partner and two-time championship winning team M-Sport will assemble the Ford Performance-developed 5.4-liter Coyote-based V8 engines that power this powerful new pony.

“For a project like the Mustang GT3, we turned to two of our most trusted partners in the motorsports world to help bring this vehicle and program together,” said Mark Rushbrook, Global Director, Ford Performance Motorsports. “I know we’ll all be as thrilled as Ford fans when Mustang begins racing at the highest levels of GT racing in 2024.”

The Mustang GT3 race car features a bespoke short-long arm suspension, rear-mounted transaxle gearbox, carbon fiber body panels, as well as a unique aero package developed to meet GT3 targets.

Before going to Le Mans in 2024, the Mustang GT3 will compete in various GT3 series across the globe in the hands of customer teams. The first customer team, announced today, is Proton Competition. Based in Ehingen, Germany, Proton intends to campaign a pair of Mustang GT3s in the FIA World Endurance Championship, starting in 2024.

Ford Performance will also field a two-car factory race program with Mustang GT3 in IMSA’s GTD Pro class. This will be managed by Multimatic Motorsports and begin at the 2024 Rolex 24 at Daytona.



(Stable, continued)

18-in. polished-aluminum wheels, fog lights, and other accessories. There was also a free Carfax report with numerous records.

This Mustang was assembled on October 12, 2010 and shipped to Moon Township Ford in Coraopolis, PA, northwest of Pittsburgh, on the same day when its odometer had 11 miles. On November 27, it was sold with 27 miles on the odometer to its original owners from Moon Township as a personal vehicle. By June, 2013, they moved to West Virginia, northwest of Charleston, and the Mustang was registered in West Virginia on June 6 with 18,500 miles. This Mustang was serviced regularly, and often by Ford dealers as it had a Ford 6 years/60,000 miles Extended Service Plan.

Carvana had this Mustang next and completed a 150-point inspection on November 22, 2022, and by November 25, it was in their inventory in Arizona with 45,425 miles. Carvana offered it for sale in New York by December 5 with 45,494 miles. It was moved to their Gaithersburg, MD location by January, 2023 when I requested its transfer. One of the Ford sites said that there were no outstanding recalls. Carvana also noted that there was 7-days/400 miles to love the car or return it, as well as a 100-day/4,189 miles limited warranty.

I thought about this Mustang overnight, and I did not think I could do any better with locating a 2011 to 2014 Premium V6 Mustang than this one, and so I decided I was "going after this car until the deal blows up!" I then spent six or seven hours daily over the next two days chasing this Mustang until all problems were resolved and the required documentation was provided by the evening of January 13. As an example, when dealing with Carmax, the other guys, the customer locates the car they want, and they pay to send it to their closest Carmax location. They then meet with a sales rep



and test drive the car and buy it with help from the Carmax clerical staff, and then take the car home. There are some similarities with Carvana, but all phases with Carvana are handled online. The customer does not see a Carvana person until the car is delivered.

There also is no haggling over the price of Carvana's car or the trade-in allowance, but both Carvana and Carmax seemed to offer good trade-in values to compensate for the higher cost of their cars. There was also a three-way phone call near the end between Carvana, my bank and me to verify my funds. Finally, by the end of the second day, after numerous calls and emails, the last sales rep said, "Congratulations!" The final step was to pick up my new old car from the Carvana vending machine in Gaithersburg, a 35-mile drive away.

On January 21, the Mustang passed its Maryland safety inspection with 45,501 miles. Carvana then said that my Mustang was loaded into their vending machine and ready for purchase! On the next day they sent a checklist with items needed to complete the transaction, such as insurance cards and the title for my trade-in. We were ready for the delivery, which occurred on January 23 when the Mustang had 45,505 miles, and we became its second owner.

My wife and I drove to Carvana on an overcast, rainy day. The Mustang was parked in front of their building as the coin-operated vending machine was not working. We first I sat in the car and were impressed, followed by a short test ride. There was much to like, but I soon noticed several areas that needed correcting, such as a severe buzzing rattle somewhere in the center of the dash, and there was also bubbling in the paint under the front of the hood, a common problem for Mustangs in those years. I later took the Mustang for another ride. It had tremendous power and handled well, and it was easy to see that this car was well-cared for. So we completed the paper work and took this great-looking Mustang back to Baltimore, knowing that I had seven days to evaluate it and return it if I was not satisfied. The clock was ticking!

To be continued.....

Text & Photos – Rick Mitchell, # 1105





PRESENTS

Autoberfest

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MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES



358th Meeting

Date: May 17th, 2023

In person meeting – Doors opened at 7:00 for social chat and display of Mustangs.

Business Meeting opened: 8:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 pm

President Mike welcomed all attendees. Started with the Pledge of Allegiance. Approximately 34 members attended.

Guest Speaker:

None

Secretary's Report:

The April monthly meeting minutes as printed in the May 2023 newsletter were reviewed and approved!

Treasurer's Report:

Jim S. is on vacation- No report.

Membership Report:

Joe D. absent; we have 168 members.

Guests – Chuck Parodi, Maywood; 05 Mustang Convertible

Mark – 66 coupe in the works

1970 Boss 302 Grabber Blue

Vinay 2013 Mustang; was at Boonton cruise night;

Sunshine Report:

Maureen – nothing to report

Mike's daughter is now a PhD.

Merchandising:

Maureen & Tom are selling shirts, hats, sweatshirts, keychains etc. Limited number of Mustang Day kits are also available for \$10.00 Window flags have been ordered (24) - available. See Maureen to preorder yours.

Website:

Bill C reported car show flyer is on there for Spring; tonight's meeting will be on there. Can only register for June

show on website. Can also accept credit card payments, not just Paypal.

Facebook:

Joe D. absent; no issues; catch up on shows and cruise nights; need to be a member

Newsletter:

Newsletter went out a week early. Mailed version went out yesterday (5/16)

Send Mike pictures from shows for the archives and Newsletter.

Always in need of cover cars

National Report:

Steve Y.– reported the list of National MCA Shows:
Mustang Enchantment June 9th – 11th, Albuquerque, NM
Race to Indy, July 27-30th, Danville Indiana -Closed out
Fun in the Sun Grand National, September 8th – 10th, Melbourne, FL

Stampede to the Heartland, October 6th – 8th, Topeka, KS
Anniversary Event – 60th Anniversary; 4th through 7th in Alabama; one hotel is already booked

Might do something in Flushing Meadow, NY

Old Business:

Spring Round Up All-Ford Show 6/11 (rain date 6/25)

Chairs: Paul Betts, Nancy Clark & Brian DiDomenico, Performance Ford, Randolph. Room for about 150 cars. Would like to fill the lot; No Vendors. Charities: Marine Corps League & Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter. Flyers are available in back.

Need volunteers; please sign up – will break up the parking into shifts 8-10; 10-12

Club table, registration table, raffle table

Hot dog guy confirmed; ice cream truck; breakfast and

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lunch; tough to get vendors as they complain they don't make money.

Raffles – instead of baskets – have tubs; need die cast cars etc.; Auto part stores; see Brian or Paul to fill baskets – need at least 6 baskets. No beer towers.

Be there at 8 am if you volunteered

Parking lot is tight; need to utilize all the parking.

One lot for spectators.

Trophies – thanks to Mark, Paul and Stacy for making the trophies; Mayor's trophy; best of show; 40 nonmembers, 9 members

Mahan Truck Collection 6/24 – We will be meeting at Dunkin Donuts at 246 Littleton Road (Route 202) in Morris Plains, just south of Route 10. We will need to leave here at 11:30 am for the 20 minute drive to the museum. If you wish to meet us at the museum, plan to arrive at Noon, the address is 53 Cross Road, Basking Ridge. Open to members & non-members. If weather is nice bring your mustang. Event is rain or shine. Please sign up if you are attending.

4th of July parades – Maywood in the morning & Ridgefield Park in afternoon; probably a BBQ following the Ridgefield Park parade. Maywood – need to be there by 8 am; roughly 10-20 cars

Bermuda Cruise (Sea) – 8/19-8/24 2023 – Pete P. – two members are going; would be nice to have a few other members. Free bottle of wine. No longer on board credit but can still sign up.

Autoberfest – 10/8 (rain date 10/22) Chairs: Tom Addeo, Ben Ashmore & Stacey Yauch. Open car show at Nielsen Dodge in East Hanover. Date changed from 10/1. Charities: Sister2Sister & Brick City Rescue back as charities. Flyers are available in the back. Open to all cars. Hoping to get 300 cars.

Brook Hollow Winery in Columbia, NJ– 10/15

Mustang/Member only Concours d'Elegance.

Cars judged by modified MCA rules. Stock, Modified, driver classes. Would look at getting outside judges. Fits about 80 cars; Looking for people to help run the

show, anybody close by? Owner of winery is a member. No rain date; will decide what to do when it's closer.

New Business:

Carlisle – first weekend in June; give Bill C. your phone number he wants to take pictures of your cars while your there.

June meeting 6/21 – Ice Cream Social

Club picnic 8/27 – new location; Hamburg, NJ at Firehouse Pavillion. Bill Mc is the chair. Has an area to take club photo. Free food. Needed a new location.

Miscellaneous Business:

Meticulous Mustangs & More Collection Mecum Auction Saturday 5/20

Ryan – full time photographer; all things including cars. Has flyers up front.

Carol is selling her late husband's 1983 Dodge Rampage – if anyone knows someone who is interested in a non-ford vehicle.

Meeting Time - Moving up start time for meeting; June, July and August start time will be 7:30

Hospitality Report:

Thank you Paul and Stacey for setting up the coffee and snacks.

Reminders:

- Sign attendance sheet
- Sign up for June Show
- Mahan Collection
- Autoberfest

Motion to close the 358th meeting was made and seconded.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol-Ann Rose, #653,
GSRMC Secretary

**GSRMC meetings begin at 8pm on
the 3rd 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: _____

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: _____

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 Sheldbys in recent years? What and when?

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

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