

GULF COAST REGION MUSTANG CLUB

Well, the 7th Annual Gulf Coast Region Mustang round-up is now history but what wonderful memories we have. The weather was perfect, temperature 70 to 80, with clear skies, bright sun and a cool breeze. Everything just right for the first sunburn of the year — and that's what happened to a lot of people. We had snow birds from Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Oklahoma and Arkansas that we were very concerned about, being in the hot sun for a long time, but many of our own members felt the sting of old Sol!

Twenty Mustang clubs from Wisconsin to Florida and Texas to South Carolina were represented. We weren't too sure how it would work out with the show being on Easter weekend, but we had 116 cars in competition and 40 in the Pony corral. Thirty four vendors surrounded the show site to provide a variety of Mustang related items.

Judging was in accordance with Mustang Club of America rules as advertised and the judging personnel was outstanding in their knowledge of their certified areas. This combination, plus the fact that we had cars from independent Mustang clubs, proved to be very interesting and surprising — some of our first place MCA winners were beaten, not by much but just enough to make us realize that we can't rest on our laurels. This was some of the toughest judging that we have ever had.

The hospitality party was a huge success as usual. About 500 people attended and the new ones were introduced to one of our favorite Pensacola seafoods, "Mullet". 500 pounds of fresh fillet were cooked on the spot and served, along with all the trimmings and drinks to wash it down. Thanks to Dixie Meador, hospitality chairman, and our two chefs Charlie Batchelor and Royce Johnston. Umm, umm, good!

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The 1968 convertible was won by Richard Miner, a Mustang from Sarasota, Florida, ticket #12257. Congratulations Richard, hope you show the car in Pensacola next year.

Our sincere thanks to all our club members and everyone else who attended and helped with the show. With your continued support, we'll do it again next year.

1964½-65 Coupe

- 1st William Garrison
Franklin, NC

1964½-65 Convertible

- 1st Walter Jones
N. Little Rock, AK
- 1st J. E. Brewer
Conyers, GA
- 2nd Joe Dorio
Tampa, FL
- 3rd Vivian McClain
Pensacola, FL

1964½-65 Fastback

- 1st Al Hendrick
Boschobel, WI
- 2nd Frank Cossota
Tampa, FL

1966 Coupe

- 1st Freemon Fritsch
Percy, IL
- 2nd James Brown, Sr.
Ringgold, GA
- 3rd Jenniffer Truax
Denham Springs, LA

1966 Convertible

- 1st Mike Reed
Metairie, LA
- 2nd James Lamb
Fayetteville, GA
- 3rd Patti Sankey
Montgomery, AL

1966 Fastback

- 1st Melvin Little
Sapula, OK
- 2nd Gene Millspaugh
Baton Rouge, LA
- 3rd Jay Tracy
Metairie, LA

1967-68 Coupe

- 1st Jane & Sherman Bliss
Clearwater, FL
- 2nd Joe Antrican
Oak Ridge, TN

1967-68 Convertible

- 1st Emile Robinson
Thibodaux, LA
- 2nd Al Cherry
Birmingham, AL

1967-68 Fastback

- 1st Bob & Sharon Wilhelm
St. Petersburg, FL
- 2nd Wayne Blackwood
Pensacola, FL
- 3rd Ralph Thacker
Milton, FL

1969-70 Coupe (None)

1969-70 Convertible

- 1st Danny Mills
Catoosa, OK
- 2nd James F. Deininger, Jr.
Montgomery, AL

3rd —

1969-70 Fastback

- 1st James Howard
Snellville, GA
- 2nd Brady Wolfe
Birmingham, AL
- 3rd Luther Hewett
Pensacola, FL

1971-73 Coupe (None)

1971-73 Convertible

- 1st Denise Landry
Baton Rouge, LA
- 2nd Rochelle McNeal
Pensacola, FL

3rd —

1971-73 Fastback

- 1st Robert Coulston
Indianapolis, IN
- 2nd Charles Batchelor
Pensacola, FL
- 3rd Andy Chase, Jr.
Plaquemine, LA

Shelby Convertibles

- 1st Mike Bennett
Valdosta, GA
- 2nd J. F. Ponder
Mindenhall, MS
- 3rd Ralph Thacker
Pensacola, FL

Shelby Fastback

- 1st Don Buck
New Orleans, LA
- 1st Joyce Bryant
Palm Beach Gardens, FL
- 1st Jack Staples
West Point, GA
- 2nd Ralph Tetrick
Pensacola, FL
- 2nd Jimmy Coker
Mobile, AL
- 3rd Ken Salter
Pace, FL

Boss

- 1st Curtis Baxter
Ft. Walton Beach, FL
- 2nd Larry Inman
Columbus, MS
- 3rd Ralph Thacker
Pensacola, FL

Under 21 Stock

- 1st David Rouse
Metairie, LA
- 2nd Keith Wasdin
Pensacola, FL
- 3rd Mark Hostetter
West Palm Beach, FL

Under 21 Mod

- 1st Ivan Koltai
Stone Mountain, GA
- 2nd Charles Rappolo
Baton Rouge, LA

Mod Conservative

- 1st Royce Johnston
Pensacola, FL
- 2nd Ed Napper
Gulfport, MS
- 3rd David Kell
Milton, FL

Mod Street

- 1st Herb Smith
Houston, TX
- 2nd Jan Smith
Houston, TX
- 3rd Kevin Martrain

Unrestored

- 1st Farrel Buis
Cincinnati, OH
- 2nd Wanda Thacker
Milton, FL
- 3rd Roy Sutton
Niceville, FL

Street Driven 65-66

- 1st Finley C. Johnson
St. Petersburg, FL
- 2nd Al Jacobs
Marrero, LA
- 3rd James Welch
Metairie, LA

Street Driven 68-73

- 1st Don Perry
Kennesaw, GA
- 2nd John Stastny
Fennimore, WI
- 3rd Van Meador
Kenner, LA

Street Driven Stock

- 1st Max Dilley
Urbana, IL
- 2nd Glenn Bornemann
Tampa, FL

Best of Show, Stock

John Rogers
Redan, GA

Best of Show, Modified

Bernard Vernice
Baton Rouge, LA

Guest: Terry Cook runs the Lead East car show each year. Since Lead East is for '63 and older cars, he is running a Street East show Memorial Day weekend for '73 and earlier cars.

No National News from John Griffith.

George Mansey mentioned that the National requires Club members to be National Club members. Our club will not force members to join the National club, but we strongly encourage membership. Our membership numbers over 120 already this year. About 60% of the 35 members present are in the National Club. George is composing a letter stating our position to the National club.

Activities: Dennis Spirito has a Ford engineer coming in the future.

Old Business: Englishtown Show & Go, flyers were given out. Shelby's will run their races, Mustangs run separately. Trophies will be by popular vote. Dan Reiter, Gene Price, Rich Calabro and Regina Oliver will be there early to set up. More help is always welcome.

Dan showed a sample of a new type of club jacket. Members are asked to bring in ideas and prices for jackets for the April meeting.

Dan suggested a Saturday cruise to Cubby's drive-in in Hackensack.

George Mansey made a motion to donate a yearly sum to the American Cancer Society in memory of our club's past president Ben Ballone. The donation will be made after our June show. The motion was unanimously accepted. Irene Price will make contact with the Cancer Society.

NORTH JERSEY MUSTANG CLUB

by Anne Schilp

President Dan Reiter opened the 62nd meeting at 8:20 p.m. with 35 members present.

Regina Oliver read the minutes in Terry's absence. The minutes were accepted as read.

Treasurer: Mike Humecky gave his report.

Editor: George Mansey still needs members to submit photo's for the car of the month feature of our newsletter, and also more business car ads are needed.

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