



# THE PONY EXPRESS



The Official Newsletter of the Foothills Mustang Club of Greenville South Carolina

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**It is with heavy hearts we announce the loss of Travis Gosnell.**



Travis, 45, of Boiling Springs, SC, passed away peacefully on May 30th, 2025, surrounded by his family. Travis joined FMC in Sept of 2024. He ordered a custom-built RTR Mustang that he received on Sept. 20th of 2024. He was very passionate about cars and really loved his Mustang. His greatest joy came from being a husband and a father. Our hearts and prayers go out to his wife Krystal and his children, Jude and Alayna. They were the center of his world. Travis will be deeply missed by his family and friends but the memories he leaves behind will live on in our hearts forever. May his soul rest in eternal peace.





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**President's Props**

Hi FMC Family.

I want to welcome all our newest members and thank you all for wanting to be a part of our family. For all who went to the NASCAR Museum and the Mustang Owners Museum, I hope you enjoyed it and made some great memories. We have more exciting things coming up soon that I hope you will be a part of. On September 21st we are having our next charity car show for Gibbs Cancer Center for Research to honor the Pediatrics Division. Find out all the details about it on our web page, [www.foothillsmustangclub.org](http://www.foothillsmustangclub.org) or on our Facebook page. We need your help to volunteer with this event. Just let me or any of our staff for what you could do. We are also going to have a Cruise-In on October 18th from Noon – 4pm in Spartanburg at Drayton Mills to support the Gibbs Cancer Center for Breast Cancer Awareness. That will be in cooperation with the Drayton Mills Fall Market. Plenty of food, music and fun to be had. Also, if you get a chance on August 8th at 3:00pm, John Crabtree and Eric Hankinson will be guests on a local podcast called "Carolina Rides" with Dan Bickford for News Channel 7. They will be talking about FMC and all we have going on for our charities and what all FMC has to offer. If you get a chance to check it out, please do. So, mark these on your calendar. I really hope to see everyone soon. I love our FMC family.

Clayton Gibson, President

**Message from our Chairman.**

Hello everyone, thank you to everyone that made it out to our last meeting at Quaker Steak and Lube in Greenville. Thanks to everyone that came for Mustangs in the Valley. We had a good time with great weather for the day. Definitely keep an eye out for our events tab. We are currently taking volunteers for our car show in September if anyone would like to volunteer because we can't do it without our team. Also, I'd like to extend a warm welcome to all our new members, I look forward to meeting everyone. See everyone at our next meeting

Joshua Fowler  
Chairman-of-the Board

**A Message from the V.P.**

Hopefully the dog days of summer are almost over so we can enjoy our rides and other gatherings without the extreme heat. We have some great events planned for the fall, including our car show. Please volunteer to help with the show. We need all the help we can get. Feel free to reach out to the club for help with your car. We have lots of members that can help you with the purchase, service, or restoration of your Mustang. Keep your car on the road and enjoy it with our group. We look forward to a cool and crisp fall season.

Brett Looper, Vice President

**Message from our Webmaster**

Being a member of the Foothills Mustang Club also means you are part of an international community of Mustang enthusiasts. Our website and public Facebook page continue to bring in new members as well as recognition from other car clubs. On August 7th, FMC will be featured on the WSPA TV Podcast titled "Carolina Rides". John Crabtree and I will be interviewed to discuss the history of FMC as well as focus on what it means to be a Member and how we are involved in community and charitable activities. The podcast will be available for viewing on YouTube shortly after recording of the podcast.

As we plan for upcoming events, Member involvement is key to our success. Please be on the lookout for email correspondence where your input will be requested on what you're looking for to improve your membership experience. Also, don't be surprised if you receive a personal phone call from one of our Board Directors. And as always, don't hesitate to send us an email to [info@foothillsmustangclub.org](mailto:info@foothillsmustangclub.org).

Thank you, Eric Hankinson



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Gibbs Cancer Center  
& Research Institute



# Charity Car Show



## for Pediatric Cancer

Sunday Sept. 21st, 2:00pm - 6:00pm

Rain Date 28th [www.foothillsmustangclub.org](http://www.foothillsmustangclub.org)

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50/50  
Food  
Music**



**Display  
or  
Judged**



The car show needs donations of gift cards between \$10 - \$25 to be used as raffle prizes. Please bring your contributions to the next monthly meeting on August 25th, which will be held at Topsy Taco in Greer.



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**Foothills Mustang Club – Sept 21, 2025, Charity Car Show Staffing Sign-up Sheet**  
Below is a list of positions that need to be filled by Volunteers for this September Car Show.

Trailer Pickup from Clayton & Delivery to Event: **Clayton Gibson;** \_\_\_\_\_

FMC Show Venue Coordinator: **Clayton Gibson;** \_\_\_\_\_

Set-up and Teardown Helpers: \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,

FMC Charity Coordinators: **Clayton Gibson; Eric Hankinson; Joshua Fowler**

Sponsor(s) Coordinators (McCoy Ford): **Eric Hankinson;** \_\_\_\_\_

Food Truck Vendor Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Greeters: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,

Parking Lot Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Parking Helpers: \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,

Awards Coordinator: **Clayton Gibson; Eric Hankinson**

Photographer: **Scott Unger**

Change from Bank for Registration & Raffles: **Lou Manglass**

Registration Helpers: Lead – \_\_\_\_\_

Assistants: \_\_\_\_\_,

Registration Forms & Related Printed Materials: **Eric Hankinson**

Club Membership Coordinator: **John Crabtree**

DJ/MC: \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Coordinator: **Eric Hankinson**

Raffle Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Raffle Ticket Sellers: \_\_\_\_\_

50/50 Ticket Sellers: \_\_\_\_\_

Door Prize Coordinator: **Eric Hankinson**

Judges: Lead – \_\_\_\_\_

Judges: \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,

Vote Tabulator(s): \_\_\_\_\_



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**2025 meetings**

Meal begins at 6:00pm, Meeting at 7:00pm

<b>August 25</b> <b>Tipsy Taco of Greer</b> 14180 E. Wade Hampton Blvd.- Greer, SC 29651	
<b>September 22</b> <b>Golden Corral of Greenville 7:00pm</b> 3240 N. Pleasantburg Drive -Greenville, SC 29609	<b>October 27</b> <b>Dave &amp; Busters of Greenville</b> 1025 Woodruff Rd – Greenville, SC 29607
<b>November 24</b> <b>Fuddruckers of Spartanburg</b> 1509 John B. White Sr. Blvd, -Spartanburg, SC 29301	<b>December 10<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Christmas Party</b> <b>Location to be determined</b>

**2025 Officers, Board of Directors, and Other Points of Contact**

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**Take this coupon with you when purchasing your vehicle**

**Upcoming Club Activities**

McCoy Ford's "Ford at Four" cruise-in the first Friday of every month, 4:00-7:00.

**August 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Trip to the **Mustang Owners Museum**. We will be meeting at the Cracker Barrel on 1134 Woodruff Rd, Greenville SC, 29607, for breakfast about 8am and depart from there.

**Look for spontaneous events, those with less than a month's planning, on the two Facebook Pages**

The "[FMC MEMBERS ONLY](#)" page and the "[Foothills Mustang Page](#)"

**and the [FMC Website](#) where you can subscribe to the email alerts**

**For Local Car Shows, please use this link to [Upstate Car Cruises](#).**

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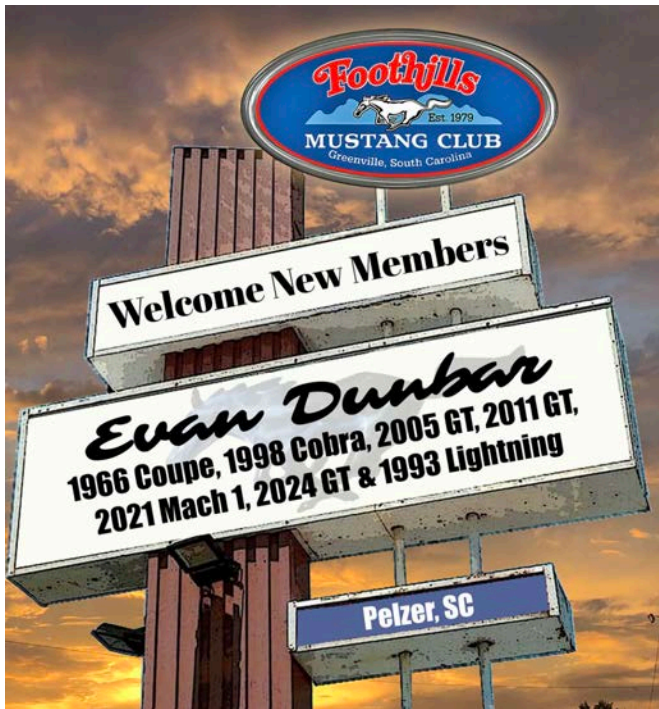
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**Welcome our new members!**





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July Monthly meeting, Quaker Steak & Lube of Greenville



Most of us .....and Bob





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## July 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

Prepared by Tonya Looper  
Location: Quaker Steak and Lube 10 Chrome Dr, Greenville, SC

Meeting was called to order by Clayton Gibson at 7:10 pm

Clayton asked for a motion for a quorum for the meeting and passed with a second.

Clayton reminded everyone that Ms. Carol Unger had the 50/50 tickets

Clayton recognized any visitor/ new members

Clayton also presented the officers and board members in case we had new members present.

Officers:

President is Clayton Gibson.

Vice President is Brett Looper.

Secretary is Tonya Looper

Treasurer is Louis Manglass

Chairman of the Board is Joshua Fowler

Webmaster: Eric Hankinson

Newsletter Editor: Scott Unger

Board Members: John Crabtree, Kevin Williams, Jim Rapp, Eric Hankinson, Sally Sable, Karen Manglass.

Absent Officers/Board Member: Kevin Williams (work), Jim Rapp(work), Louis Manglass (medical)

If you are not getting the newsletter via email, please let Newsletter Editor Scott Unger know.

Scott also mentioned that the newsletter is available via the FMC Members Only Facebook page.

Clayton asked if everyone had seen the June meeting minutes in the Pony Express Newsletter and asked if anything need to be modified or amended.

Meeting minutes were accepted and seconded.

Treasury Report was not given by Louis Manglass.

Treasurer report will be given at August meeting for June and July.

John spoke about MCA and it benefits.

John mentioned per being an FMC member will get you when you show an FMC membership card.

- 10% off at Fairway Ford for the over-the-counter parts
- 10 % of service at Benson Ford
- McCoy Ford (Tier One Sponsor).25% of parts in store and for every sale that is a club referral club will receive \$500.00 donation with

MCA Membership levels can be found <https://mustang.org/membership-account/levels/>



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Mustang Club of America also has National Car Shows that can be found at <https://mustang.org/events/category/national-mca-shows/>

John mentioned The Great American Pony Drive Pony Drive 2025 - The Great Mississippi River Road August 19 - September 5, 2025 For information please visit <http://ponydrive.us/>

McCoy Ford: August 1, 2025 will be the next McCoy Friday Night Cruise in. (Post meeting note this was moved to August 15<sup>th</sup>)

Mustang Museum in Concord, NC

- Club has 6 passes that can be check out with Clayton Gibson to visit.
- Joshua Fowler is planning a trip up to Concord on August 3, 2025.
  - FMC has a "brick" at the Mustang Museum

Webmaster: Eric Hankinson

Club Needs:

- Pictures of cars and member for website that Eric is updating.
- Reminder of ability to pay for membership and/or for new membership to be purchased through website

Regalia:

- Patches can be bought from Clayton Gibson for \$3.00 & are great to add to hats, jackets, and vest.
- Name badges can also be bought from Clayton that are made on a mustang car shape. \$12.00 for the magnetic/\$11.00 for the pin type. They can also be complete in silver or gold and can carry name and car model.

Eric is also working with a local supplier for t-shirts, caps, sweatshirts and you can see that information <https://foothillsmustangclub.org/fmc-apparel>

Club Business: From Board Meeting

Eric Hankinson had a gift card for Alanna Reveals from newsletter giveaway.

Clayton also mentioned the passing of MFC Member Travis Gosnell.

September Car Show

Date: September 21, 2025

Rain Date: September 28, 2025

Location: Wade Hampton Lane, Taylor SC

October Cruise In:

Date: October 18, 2025 Market at The Mill Event

Time: 12pm-5pm

Location: Drayton Mills, Spartanburg, SC 1800 Drayton rd Spartanburg, SC, United States, South Carolina 29307

Charity: Gibbs Cancer Center. (Spartanburg and Greenville are local offices)



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Christmas Party:

Location: Dave & Busters  
Date: December 10, 2025 6pm-9pm  
Dirty Santa will be set to \$20.00 limit.

Past Events:

- June 28, 2025 Drayton Mills, Spartanburg SC Market Day Visit
- July 6, 2025 Cars and Coffee
- July 11, 2025 McCoy Ford Friday night Cruise in at Honea Path Location. Time: 4-7pm
- July 18-19 2025: Mustangs in the Valley at the Maggie Valley Festival Grounds in Maggie Valley North Carolina-Joshua Fowler, Eric Hankinson, and Jim Rapp attended.

Future Car Shows:

- August 1: McCoy Cruise In McCoy Ford Honea Path, SC (Post meeting note this was moved to August 15<sup>th</sup>)
- August 2: Project Horsepower Car Show Spartanburg Community College
- August 3: Mustang Trip to Nascar Museum, Mustang Museum, and Charlotte Motor Speedway in Concord, NC
- August 7: Dan Bickford WSPA+ Podcast called "Carolina Rides" will be doing an episode about FMC with Clayton Gibson. He has also interviewed with the Hub City Corvette Club. More information can be found <https://www.youtube.com/@CarolinaRidesWSPA>
- August 9: Pete's of Greer Cruise-In 5 until Address: 14155 East Wade Hampton Blvd, Greer, S.C Hosts Pharaohs Car Club Upstate SC chapter
- August 16: Market At The Mill Summers End Cruise In Pickens, SC. We will Meet up at 4:30 at Glassy Mountain Baptist Church at 4:30pm and head to the show at 4:45pm. 1103 Farris Bridge Rd, Pickens, SC 29671.
- August 29 @ 8:00 am - August 31 @ 5:00 pm MCA Grand National Show Fredericksburg, VA. More information on <https://mustang.org/event/mca-grand-national-show-fredericksburg-va/>
- September 1-September 6: Mustang Week @ Myrtle Beach.

Alcohol Reminders per Clayton Gibson:

NO ALCOHOLIC beverages will be allowed at any FMC activity or event as stipulated by the MCA By-Laws and our insurance policy. At the announced conclusion of the activity or event, the members are free to do as they see fit. Please indulge responsibly.

Next Meeting: August 25, 2025 Topsy Taco Greer, SC

Scott: Greenville Drive game Friday Aug. 8, 2025. The Central Train Museum Club that Scott is a member of will be going. Game scheduled is the Rome Emperors (Braves Farm Team) vs Greenville Drive (Red Sox).

Scott also made a motion to make McCoy Ford owner Jamal a member of the club. Motion was seconded and Eric and Clayton were going to speak with them later in the week.

Clayton also mentioned if anyone would like to donate gift card so that a Gift Card tree can be made for September Car Show, please pass these donations to Carol Unger or Karen Manglass

Clayton opened the floor to Steve Cottrell from our sister club in Asheville (Blue Ridge Mustang Club of Asheville) so he could talk about a few cars club shows they would be having.

Carol 50/50 Winner \$20.00 Pam Hankinson 2nd prize Mystery Bag \$25.00 Pam Hankinson

Clayton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting; motion was seconded and meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.



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**Mustangs in the Valley – Maggie Valley July 19, 2025**



Eric's

Jim's

and Joshua's





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### More of Maggie Valley



Pam & Eric with their Top 25 award!





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Remember to check out your FMC Apparel Store for Custom Logo and Personalized Shirts and Merchandise. Go To:

[www.foothillsmustangclub.org/fmc-apparel](http://www.foothillsmustangclub.org/fmc-apparel)



**Check out the new car magnets on John's car!**

They are gone; however, we can order more!

Just Contact John at [foothillsmustangclub.1979@gmail.com](mailto:foothillsmustangclub.1979@gmail.com)



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### **Discounts available to Foothills Members**

Show your Foothills Mustang Club membership card for:

10% off at Fairway Ford for the over the counter

10% of service at **Benson Ford**

**McCoy Ford** offers:

15% for parts

Through the Month of June, Ford will offer Employee pricing on applicable new car purchases along with any other Ford factory incentives offered on specific vehicles.

FMC Members who refer a customer to McCoy Ford will receive **\$100 directly from McCoy Ford** if the referral results in the purchase of any new or used vehicle. In addition, McCoy Ford will make a separate \$500 donation to FMC as a result of a purchase either from a member or Website referral.

### **MCA Member Discounts**

Log in to MCA website [www.mustang.org](http://www.mustang.org) for special code.

Insurance: [Hagerty.com](http://Hagerty.com) – 5% discount for MCA members, mention MCA

Apparel & Accessories: [themustangtrailer.com](http://themustangtrailer.com) – 10% off code: DISC11, [wickedquick.com](http://wickedquick.com) – 10% code:

Mustang club, [showsigncustoms.com](http://showsigncustoms.com) – 10% off ShowCal orders, code: MCA10

Car Care Products: Covercraft [carcoversdirect.com](http://carcoversdirect.com) – 5% off mention MCA

FordShowParts.com (phone-in orders only). Mention MCA Membership

Parts Distributors: CJ PonyParts [cjponyparts.com](http://cjponyparts.com) – 6% off with code **awaiting new code**

### **Links to other Mustang and car Websites:**

Clubs:

Mustang Club of America (MCA): [www.mustang.org](http://www.mustang.org)

Mustang 6 Association: <http://mustang6association.org/>

Shelby American Automobile Club (SAAC):

Mustang Unleashed [www.MustangUnleashed.com](http://www.MustangUnleashed.com)

Ford Performance Website – [www.fordperformance.com](http://www.fordperformance.com).

Forums

AllFordMustangs: <http://www.allfordmustangs.com/>

MustangForums: <http://mustangforums.com/>

Shelby Forums: <https://www.saac.com/forum/>

CarTalk: <http://www.cartalk.com/>

Mustang6G.com: <https://www.mustang6g.com/>

TrackMustangsOnline: <https://trackmustangsonline.com/>

The Mustang Source: [The Mustang Source - Ford Mustang Forums/](http://TheMustangSource.com)

Registries

Special Vehicle Registry [www.specialvehicleregistry.com](http://www.specialvehicleregistry.com).

Windveil Blue Registry: <https://p3stangs.com/>

Yellow Mustang Registry: <http://www.yellowmustangregistry.com/>

Red Mustang Registry: <http://www.allredmustangs.com/>

Blue Mustang Registry: <http://www.bluemustangregistry.com/>

Silver and Gray <https://www.silvermustangs.com/>



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Museums



**The Foothills Mustang Club is a charter member of the Mustang Owner's Museum located in Concord, North Carolina. <https://www.mustangownersmuseum.com/>**

**The club has 6 passes for the museum, contact Clayton Gibson to make arrangements to receive them. (They are permanent passes and must be returned after use.)**

Museum Podcasts: <https://www.mustangownersmuseum.com/podcast.html>

**Mustang Museum of America (Alabama): <https://mustangmuseumofamerica.com/>**

**The Puzzler, Stolen fair and square from Car Talk (Tom & Ray's Radio show)**

Many years ago, I received a late-night phone call from my brother who tells me that his car has broken down. He says, "I need help. Do you have a rope to tow with?" And I say, "Yeah, sure, I'll be right there." So, after finishing my dinner and the movie I was watching, I decide to head out to give him a hand. I arrived with my car, tow rope in hand, and he was asleep in the car, snuggled up with one of his pet raccoons. I wake him and ask him what the story is. He tells me what's wrong with the car. I say, "I can't tow you, you knucklehead." And he says, "No, we only have a few blocks to go. I can tow you." And after a moment I said, "Holy cow!" Because I realized he's right. Even though he is broken down, and he's the one that called me in the middle of the night. And the puzzler is, what is going on here? What is wrong with his car?

*Answer at the end*

**Announcement**

When possible, Membership Renewal Notices will be sent via email to each person a month before they expire. Send an email to John Crabtree at [foothillsmustangclub.1979@gmail.com](mailto:foothillsmustangclub.1979@gmail.com) if you would like to check on your status.

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**Keep us up to date and current!**

Let us know when your address changes (email and home), add or change phone numbers, or you add or remove a car from your stable. (Hope you add rather than remove).

Please contact us as we want to keep our records as current as possible. Besides those addresses, we have a photo section on the website that depicts our Mustangs, project cars and other vehicles of interest for sharing, so send those to [admin@foothillsmustangclub.org](mailto:admin@foothillsmustangclub.org) .

Send emails to or use the USPS to:

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Snail Mail 135 Ridge Glen - Simpsonville, SC 29680

**The answer for the Puzzler.**

So, why can he tow me, even though he broke down? But I can't tow him? Here is the answer. The reason that he can tow me, but I can't tow him is because his brakes have failed. So, if I tow him, and I slow down, he can't slow his car and he will ram into me. But, if he tows me, when he needs to brake, he can signal to me, and I can press the brakes and it will slow his car down too.



**Editor's remarks**

As always send your ideas and corrections to me at [ponyexpress@foothillsmustangclub.org](mailto:ponyexpress@foothillsmustangclub.org).

Scott Unger, Newsletter Editor