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Foothills MUSTANG CLUB
Greenville, South Carolina

McCoy Ford
SOUTH CAROLINA

DAVE & BUSTER'S

2025 Christmas Party

Wednesday, Dec. 10th, 6pm-9pm
1025 Woodruff Rd
Greenville, SC

**Food
Music
Dirty Santa**

Pre-Register

MENU \$45 Per Person
INCLUDES:
Slow Smoked Pork Ribs
Grilled BBQ Chicken (White Meat)
Smoked Jalapeno Cheddar Sausage
Baked Mac & Cheese Baked Beans & Bacon House-Made Potato Salad Classic Coleslaw
Served with: Seasonal Fruit, Honey Cornbread and Honey Butter, BBQ Sauces (Honey, Spicy, Mustard) & Relish Tray
Unlimited Sodas, Tea and Coffee
NOTE: Alcohol Available for Separate Cost

Merry Christmas

President's Props

Hi FMC Family

Wow how the year has flown by. I hope everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving. I want to welcome our newest members to our FMC family. We are gearing up for Christmas and all the activities planned for December. Our Christmas party is just around the corner as well as many parades around the upstate. Make sure you sign up for all the things we have coming up. You can go to our website to sign up for the Christmas party. If you can't make it out to any of them, I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful upcoming New Year. I hope to see everyone soon. I love our FMC family.

Clayton Gibson, President



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A Message from the V.P.

The parade season is here, and the Christmas party is on the horizon. I hope you will join us for the parades. It is a big benefit to being a paid club member. We have many parades planned and the Christmas party, so December is full of club events for everyone to enjoy. I look forward to sharing our love of the Ford Mustang with our local towns in their parades. The kids really love them. The older cars cheer up the older generations since they remember those cars during their younger years.

Brett Looper, Vice President

A message from the Chairman of the Board

Hello everyone, thank you to everyone that made it out to our last meeting at Fuddruckers and beat that traffic. Definitely keep an eye out for our events tab on the webpage for upcoming events as we have our Christmas party coming up, along with several parades this month. We also have the Christmas concert coming up. I'm looking forward to seeing at some of these events this month. Also, I'd like to extend a warm welcome to all our new members too. I look forward to meeting everyone. See everyone at the next monthly meeting.

Joshua Fowler, Chairman of the Board

Message from our Webmaster

First, I too want to wish everyone and their families "Happy Holidays". While car show season has concluded for this year, there are still opportunities for you to join in the festivities with area Christmas Parades and Toy Drives. You should have received Emails and Facebook notifications on parades the Club has registered to join. If not, refer to our Website or FMC Members Only FB page.

Last month we sent out a survey to all Paid Members asking for your candid feedback on the Club. About 20% of the Members responded. The information received was enlightening and will be used by next year's Board of Directors to improve communication to our members and add more events to satisfy many who wish to gather and share our common enthusiasm for Mustangs. We will be issuing another, and more focused survey after the first of the year.

In the meantime, if you did not receive the survey, or simply forgot to submit your response, feel free to submit your response between now and the end of the year. You can either pull up the original email of November 10th or [Click Here](#) to Go to Survey. Remember all submittals are anonymous unless you add your name to the end.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the website and its contents, including adding or updating pictures of your car (or cars) to the Foothills Mustang Stable, please let me know at info@foothillsmustangclub.org.

Thanks,
Eric

A note to our membership:

During the meeting there was an oversight and three candidates for reelection to the board were not announced. The three are John Crabtree, Joshua Fowler and Kevin Williams. All three have agreed to offer themselves for re-election to another two-year term. A quick election will be held in the December meeting just before the Christmas party begins.

Scott Unger
Editor Pony Express



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For November we would like to recognize the following members for their service to the country.



Rick Eisenring US Navy
Jens Louv US Navy
Ken Mosby US Navy
Doug Garrett US Navy
Darwin Rasha US Army
William "Billy" Gibson US Air Force
Scott Broome US Air Force
Scott MacDonald. US Air Force
Steven Richardson US Air Force
Dave Salyer, US Army & NC Air National Guard





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November Meeting at Fudrucker's





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2025 meetings

The final meeting for the year is held before the Christmas Party.

Please refrain from drinking any alcohol before the meeting is officially adjourned. The club's insurance and the Mustang Club of America prohibit drinking at any club-sponsored event.

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

**December 10th
Christmas Party
Dave & Busters of Greenville**

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

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John Crabtree

Board Member
Eric Hankinson

Board Member
Jim Rapp

Board Member
Karen Manglass

Board Member
Kevin Williams

Board Member
Sally Sable



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Upcoming Club Activities

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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Welcome our new members!





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November 24th Meeting Minutes

Prepared by Tonya Looper
Location: Fuddrucker's Woodruff Road

Meeting was called to order by Clayton Gibson at 7:03 pm

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

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: Joshua Fowler, John Crabtree, Kevin Williams, Jim Rapp, Eric Hankinson, Sally Sable, Karen Manglass.

Absent: Sally Sable

If you are not getting the newsletter via email, please let Newsletter Editor Scott Unger know at ponyexpress@foothillsmustangclub.org

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

Clayton asked if everyone had seen the October 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 given by Louis Manglass.

Treasury Report was accepted and seconded.

John also 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
- 25% of parts in store McCoy Ford (Tier One Sponsor).

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

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



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Here is a list of MCA Car Shows for 2026:

March 2026

March 27, 2026 @ 8:00 am - March 29, 2026 @ 5:00 pm

River City Mustang Stampede – Jacksonville, FL

Registration is open at mcashows.com

May 2026

May 21, 2026 - May 24, 2026

Ponies in the Ozarks MCA National Car Show 2026

Ozark International Raceway 29211 MO-135, Gravois Mills, MO, United States

Mustang Club of America announces our return to Ozark International Raceway, May 21-24, 2026. Once again MCA will host a three-day judged national show and a two-day track event. Car show days are May 22nd - 24th. Track days will be May 23rd and 24th. Details will be announced when registration for the show is opened, see the MCA website.

July 2026

July 24, 2026 - July 26, 2026

Mustangs on the Mother Road National Show

Marriott Tulsa Southern Hills 1902 E. 71st ST, Tulsa, OK, United States

Congratulations to the Green Country Classic Mustangs Regional Club on their approval to host a national show.

August 2026

August 28, 2026 @ 8:00 am - August 30, 2026 @ 5:00 pm

Mustang Club of America 50th Anniversary

Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta 5300 Winder Hwy, Braselton, GA, United States

The Mustang Club of America Board of Directors has approved the MCA 50th Anniversary celebration. This will be a National Show combined with a 3-day track event. Other activities and plans will be announced as they are developed. Mark your calendars for this weekend!

Mustang Museum in Concord, NC

Club has 6 passes that can be check out with Clayton Gibson to visit.

When you visit check out our:

- FMC has a “brick” near the sign outside and our banner inside

Scott is preparing an article for the mustang Times as part of the application for an MCA President’s award. The article involves the club’s connection with the Service Dogs for Veterans of Greenville.

Jim Rapp/Eric Hankinson discussed survey that was sent out over email. 18% of membership answered.

- 64-million-dollar question is “Why don’t more members come out to the car shows”
- Members replied about length of car shows and why they are on Sunday.



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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

Club Regalia:

- Patches can be bought from Clayton Gibson for \$5.00 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. \$15.00 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 has connected with a local supplier for t-shirts, caps, sweatshirts and you can see that information <https://foothillsmustangclub.org/fmc-apparel>

Officer/Board Elections

Nominations are opened for officer and board positions.

Nomination for Current positions:

- Scott Unger-Open Board Seat, replacing Eric Hankson
- Jim Rapp- Renewing his Board Seat
- Secretary: position Open
- President Clayton Gibson

Karen Manglass opened the nomination with Clayton Gibson (President), Scott Unger (Open Board Seat), & Jim Rapp (Renewal Board Seat)

Motion was made by John Crabtree to accept the 3 individuals for officers/board.

Motion was passed by paid members at the meeting.

Secretary position is still open as Tonya Looper is stepping down due to family obligations and returning to school to finish bachelor's degree in education.

The by-laws: Job Description for Secretary:

Section 3 Secretary

- Shall record and maintain for posterity, a full and complete account of all regular Club business Meetings.
- Shall forward the minutes of the meeting(s) to the elected Officers and Board of Directors within 10 days of the meeting date. Shall read all communications, documents.
- Perform any additional duties assigned by the President or Board of Directors.
- Secretary must be an FMC Member for at least one year.
- Follow officers/board club Facebook message board in case of board decision.
- Type up board & club meeting minutes and forward them to newsletter editor for publishing.

General note: All elected Officers must be members of MCA.



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Upcoming Events:

Christmas Parade: Meet Up details on FMC Members Only page

December 4th, 2025 – Landrum, SC 6pm start:

- Bring unwrapped toy per car. **Line-up begins at 5:00pm.** 209 W. Rutherford Street in Landrum to decorate the cars.

December 5th, 2025 - Pickens, SC 6pm start (POSTPONED UNTIL DECEMBER 12TH)

- **Assemble at 5:30pm** at the Market at The Mill in Pickens to decorate the cars.

December 6th, 2025 - Honea-Path, SC Parade begin at 11am.

- **Meet up at McCoy Ford at 9:30am to decorate cars** then move into location.

December 7th, 2025 - Simpsonville, SC 3pm start

- We will meet at the First Reliance Bank located at 150 SC-14, Simpsonville, **1:30pm and decorate** then move into position starting at 2:00pm (There will be additional time to decorate at the staging area on Main St should you require more time.)

December 13th, 2025 - Easley, SC 6pm start

- Meet at Jones Avenue Baptist Church 614 Ross Ave, Easley, SC 29640-3481, Will meet at the church to decorate the cars. Contact Clayton Gibson if you plan to participate, cost \$15 per car.

December 14th, 2025 - Woodruff, SC 3pm start

- **Meet at the First Baptist Church 2:00pm.** Woodruff 799 Cross Anchor Rd, Woodruff, SC 29388
Note: **Main Street will close at 1:00pm** so you will have to use side roads after that to get to the church.

Christmas Party:

Location: Dave & Busters

Date: **December 10, 2025**, 6pm-9pm

Dirty Santa will be set to \$20.00 limit.

Menu: Grill & Chill Banquet

Pre-Registration is requested and pre-pay \$45.00 plus tax.

December 13, 2025

Foothills Philharmonic Concert-Christmas Concert <https://foothillsphilharmonic.org/>

Covenant Church 1310 Old Spartanburg Rd, Greer, SC 29650

Details: Mainstage Series: Christmas Pops Concert & Toys for Tots Drive

Of course, there will be seasonal favorites but, at a Christmas Pops Concert, you never can tell what else will happen or what exciting guests will show up. The US Marine Corps Toys for Tots will be in attendance. Please bring a new toy to tonight's concert to help a child enjoy Christmas this year. Join us at the reception following the concert and get to know the musicians over food and conversation. Concert, reception and parking are all absolutely Free. (Bring your Harmonicas!)



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Past Events:

November 6, 2025

- Opportunity for a Car Show in a Movie: Ode to Mary Joe begin produced in Spartanburg, SC
- Coordinated by Kevin Williams.

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: December 10, 2025- Christmas Party Dave & Busters.

This will be a short meeting to reelect board members, John Crabtree, Joshua Fowler and Kevin Williams

Upcoming events are also posted on the website:

<https://foothillsmustangclub.org/upcoming-events>

Clayton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting; motion was seconded and meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.





Remember to check out your FMC Apparel Store for Custom Logo and Personalized Shirts and Merchandise. Go To:
www.foothillsmustangclub.org/fmc-apparel



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

Get yours. We just received a new batch!
Just contact John at 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

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 for special code.

Insurance: Hagerty.com – 5% discount for MCA members, mention MCA

Apparel & Accessories: themustangtrailer.com – 10% off code: DISC11, wickedquick.com – 10% code:

Mustang club, showsigncustoms.com – 10% off ShowCal orders, code: MCA10

Car Care Products: Covercraft carcoversdirect.com – 5% off mention MCA

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

Parts Distributors: CJ PonyParts cjpnyparts.com – 6% off with code ***awaiting new code***

Links to other Mustang and car Websites:

Clubs:

Mustang Club of America (MCA): www.mustang.org

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

Shelby American Automobile Club (SAAC):

Mustang Unleashed www.MustangUnleashed.com

Ford Performance Website – 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.

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)

This one is a Krusty puzzle. Here we go.

So on the occasion of his most recent wedding, he had to take a long trip to meet his bride-to-be.

It was really far away, somewhere out on the edges of New York. And it was important that he get there.

He thought it was important that he should take his most reliable car. And he didn't want to be late, because she told him, if you're late for the wedding, it's off.

So anyway, he fires up his most reliable car, his '65 Falcon, and he makes his way through Massachusetts to Route 7 in New York. He is driving along, and everything seems right with the world. And then, all of a sudden, the car backfires and dies. He coasts to the side of the road as safely as he can.

He realizes immediately that his points have burnt out. And he says, "Oh, shucks, if only I had another set of points." And he opens the glove box, and to his amazement, is a brand-new set of ignition points is right there. And as luck would have it, his entire toolkit is in the glove box. There's a screwdriver, a hammer and a jackknife. So he opens the hood, takes off the distributor cap, and proceeds to remove the little screw that holds the points in. He expertly removes the screw, installs the new points, and then, drops the screw. Where does it go? Where it always goes, inside the distributor, and he can't get it out. He can see it. He can even touch it with his screwdriver, but he can't get it out. He says, "Oh my God, what am I going to do?" He runs around to the trunk and opens it up and starts going through all the things he has in there. He finds a jack. He finds a 50-pound bag of dog food. He finds a junky old lamp that he bought at a garage sale. And a gallon of extra virgin olive oil and a salami sandwich. Using one or a combination of these things, and his tool kit, he manages to get the screw from its hiding place in the distributor.

How does he do it?



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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 if you would like to check on your status.

The answer for the Puzzler.

So, how did he get the screw? Here is what he did.

He takes the lamp cord. He cuts it with the knife. Then with his jackknife he then strips the ends of the cord so he has just the wires, removing the insulation. He then wraps the lamp cord around the screwdriver, touching the bare ends to the battery, turns his screwdriver into an electro magnet, and in the second pulls out the screw, and before the lamp cord catches fire, he installs the screw, sets the points, and he is two hours late for the wedding.

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 .

Send emails to or use the USPS to:

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Editor's remarks

As always, send your ideas and corrections to me at ponyexpress@foothillsmustangclub.org.

Scott Unger, Newsletter Editor