



THE PONY EXPRESS



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President's Props

Hi FMC Family.

I hope everyone is having a great summer while staying cool. I want to thank everyone for coming out to our meetings in June at Capri's and July at Buffalo Cornbread. I also want to thank everyone for coming out to McCoy Fords at Four and kicking off August 1st with the Back 2 School Bash at McCoy Ford. It was a great group and fun time helping the local community with getting the kids ready for another year of education. We have a lot ahead this month so please keep up with our website, foothillsmustangclub.org, and our FB page to keep up with it all. Be safe and stay cool with whatever you do, and I hope to see everyone soon. God bless and I love our FMC family.

Clayton Gibson

President – FMC

A message from the Chairman of the Board

Hello everyone, thank you to everyone that made it out to our last meeting at Buffalo Cornbread. I hope everyone had a great time and got to enjoy some amazing food. Also, I'd like to extend a warm welcome to all our new members. Thank you to Scott Unger for putting together another great baseball game. I hope everyone had a great time. Keep an eye on our events tab for upcoming events. Also hope to see many members at the MCA show at the end of the month in GA. I'm personally looking forward to it.

Joshua Fowler

A message from the Vice President

We have had some great meetings and events. Thanks to all the members that contributed to the back-to-school event at McCoy Ford. We are looking for some articles to submit for the Mustang Times for Scott to revise. I will be sending him one for the upgrades on a member's 1965 Mustang fastback. It will be a great project to share with the club and the Mustang Times. We will be working on a fall car show and planning our annual Christmas party. We will have many parades to attend as well during the holiday season. A board meeting and regular meeting are scheduled in the upcoming weeks. The MCA show in Georgia is coming soon. Mustang week is also this month in Charlotte. I plan to attend Foxtoberfest and PITS this year. We have many things for members to participate in. I hope to see you there.

Brett



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Message from our Webmaster

As a reminder, the FMC website allows Members to renew their membership on-line as well as includes information on upcoming events and how to purchase FMC logo apparel and merchandise. Questions or suggestions regarding the FMC website and its contents, including adding or updating pictures of your car (or cars) to the Foothills Mustang Stable or Members Only page, can be submitted to Eric Hankinson, Webmaster, at info@foothillsmustangclub.org.

Thanks,
Eric

2026 Meetings

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

August 24 Dave & Busters 1025 Woodruff Rd – Greenville, SC	
September 28 Logan's Roadhouse 53 Beacon Drive – Greenville, SC	October 26 Fuddruckers 1147 Woodruff Rd – Greenville, SC
November 23 Los Mayas Mexican Grill – <i>TBD</i> 1304 SC-357 – Lyman, SC	December 9 Christmas Party Peddler Steak House, Greenville, SC

2026 Officers, Board of Directors, and Other Points of Contact

President Clayton Gibson president@foothillsmustangclub.org	Vice President Brett Looper vice.president@foothillsmustangclub.org	
Treasurer Lou Manglass treasurer@foothillsmustangclub.org	Secretary Bonnie Neibauer secretary@foothillsmustangclub.org	
Newsletter Editor Scott Unger ponyexpress@foothillsmustangclub.org	Activities Coordinator Position Open	
Webmaster Eric Hankinson admin@foothillsmustangclub.org		
Chairman of the Board of Directors Joshua Fowler chair@foothillsmustangclub.org		
Board Member and MCA Representative John Crabtree	Board Member Scott Unger	Board Member Jim Rapp
Board Member Karen Manglass	Board Member Kevin Williams	Board Member Sally Sable

We have no new members to welcome

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Address: 3065 Wade Hampton Blvd,

Taylors, SC 29687

Phone: (864) 268-4136

[Link to Wade Hampton Lanes Information for hours and prices.](#)

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Car line-ups at Buffalo Cornbread





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Upcoming Club Activities

- **McCoy Ford's at Four:** First Friday in June, July and August
- Greenville Drive Baseball Game **August 7th**, Fireworks Night (\$36): see Scott Unger for details

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](#)

July 27, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Prepared by Bonnie Neibauer

Location: Buffalo Cornbread, SC-86, Piedmont, SC

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Clayton Gibson at 7:10 pm.

Quorum Confirmation

John Crabtree called for a motion to confirm a quorum for the meeting. There were 36 members in attendance. The motion was seconded and carried.

Welcome and Acknowledgments

Clayton welcomed the group and recognized newlyweds Alana (Revels) and Patrick Smathers, who were married in May.

The club also recorded seven renewals and welcomed new members John Patrick Gosling, Jim Garren, and Linda Garren.

Introduction of Officers and Board Members

Clayton introduced the officers and board members of the Foothills Mustang Club

Officers:

- President — Clayton Gibson
- Vice President — Brett Looper
- Secretary — Bonnie Neibauer
- Treasurer — Louis Manglass (not present)

Board of Directors:

- Chairman — Joshua Fowler
- MCA Representative and Membership — John Crabtree
- Editor-in-Chief, Pony Express Newsletter — Scott Unger
- Members — James Rapp, Karen Manglass, Sally Sable and Kevin Williams (not present)
- Webmaster Eric Hankinson

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Approval of June Meeting Minutes

Clayton asked if members had read the June 22 meeting minutes in The Pony Express and had any corrections. The minutes were approved on a motion by John Crabtree and Joshua Fowler.

June 2026 Treasury Report

Treasurer Lou Manglass reported a June ending balance of \$5,072.41 after payment of South Carolina taxes and renewal of the club's Mustang Owner's Museum membership. The July-to-date balance was \$5,129.54. Jim Rapp moved to accept the June report, and the motion passed.

Club 2025 Financial Audit

Scott Unger requested two club members who are not elected officers or board members to volunteer for the audit. He will host it at his home on August 8. Please consider helping.

Club Bylaws Review

The bylaws review group completed its work. Updates included adding Bonnie Neibauer as secretary and setting a timeline for submitting the annual budget and financials at the beginning of each year. Members suggested no additional changes. The revised bylaws will be sent to the club membership for review and approval.

MCA Regional Director and Membership Report

John reviewed Mustang Club of America (MCA) membership options and benefits. Details are available at <https://mustang.org/membership-account/levels/>. Membership options include Associate (\$24 per year, which includes access to the MCA website, eligibility to enter MCA car shows, and a membership card), Digital (\$40 per year, which includes X-Plan eligibility, MCA car show entry, website access, voting rights in MCA elections, eligibility to run for national office, member forums, the MCA Marketplace, and digital access to Mustang Times), and Full (\$60 per year, which includes all Digital benefits plus a print subscription to Mustang Times). MCA also offers a Youth Membership for ages 13–17 for a one-time fee of \$25, valid until age 18, with sponsorship from an MCA member.

- MCA members receive discounts from MCA Sponsors
 - o Ford Motor Company- X-plan (must have been an MCA digital or Full Member for 90 days)
 - o Hagerty Insurance- 5% discount on premiums
 - o Barrett-Jackson Auctions
 - o Shelby America
 - o Late Model Restoration for Mustangs, Lightnings and Bronco parts and accessories



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Members receive discounts at these local Ford dealerships when presenting their FMC membership card:

- Fairway Ford in Greenville- 10% off over-the-counter parts
- Benson Ford in Easley- 10% off service
- McCoy Ford in Honea Path- 25% off in-store parts for any model Ford

Foothills Mustang Club members also receive these benefits:

- Facebook Members Only Page access known as FMC MEMBERS ONLY page
- Members Only access on the FoothillsMustangClub.org website including car photos and member profile
- Access to FMC documents including tax forms and newsletters
- Access to upcoming shows geared towards Fords and Mustangs
- Access to FMC Apparel Outlet
- Six free passes to the Mustang Owner's Museum in Concord, NC, are available for club members to borrow. Clayton has received six new passes; please return them to him after use.

MCA National Events and Car Shows 2026

MCA National Car Show details are available at <https://mustang.org/events/category/national-mca-shows/>. Show registration is available at [MCAashows.com](https://mcaashows.com).

August 2026

The Mustang Club of America Grand National and 50th Anniversary Track Event and Car Show will be held August 28–30 at Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta in Braselton, Georgia. Display registration is available at [MCAashows.com](https://mcaashows.com). Nonmembers may display a Mustang or attend as spectators. Judged registration, banquet registration, and the track registration waiting list are available at [Motorsportsreg.com](https://motorsportsreg.com). Spectators may be charged a gate fee for track events. Nearby lodging sold out weeks ago, so attendees may need to look farther away for accommodations. Foothills Mustang Club discounts available at the following (MCA membership not required):

Past Month (June) Events

Fords at Four held at McCoy Ford, 103 Church Street, Honea Path, South Carolina. First Friday June, July 3 and August 7 from 4-6:30 pm

July 10-19: Mustangs in the Valley, 3374 Soco Road, Maggie Valley, NC. Joshua Fowler led a group to the event on July 18.



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Future Events

Chesnee Retro Cruise-In: **Sundays at 7:00 p.m.** at Ace Hardware, 401 S. Alabama Ave., Chesnee, SC.

August 1: McCoy Ford School Supply Drive and Car Show. Club has raised over \$400 for supplies and members will also be bringing items.

August 7: Greenville Drive baseball game. Tickets are \$36 per person and include seats behind the dugout, food, and a non-alcoholic beverage. Pay Scott Unger for tickets. The group will meet at 5:30 p.m. by the Shoeless Joe Jackson statue at the Fluor Field entrance. Parking is on your own. Details are posted on the FMC website.

Mustang Owner's Museum events. All events are at 4005 Dearborn Place NW, Concord, NC.

- **August 15:** National Fox Day at the Museum.
- **August 24–29:** Mustang Week 2026 replaces the Grand Strand Mustang show co-sponsored by the Mustang Owner's Museum, although that show will still be held. Visit www.MustangWeek.com for details. A Night at the Museum on **August 25** will kick off Mustang Week.

August 15: Team Wheelhouse Foundation SCCA Central Carolinas Autocross will take place at the Michelin Proving Grounds in Mountville, SC. Lou Manglass and Jim Garren, who have attended before, described it as one of the best autocross venues. The event is a safe, low-risk opportunity to test your driving skills and your car's capabilities. Bring a 2010 or newer helmet; loaners are available. New participants may use instructors and ride-a-longs to get comfortable, and drivers can usually complete four runs. Preregister by **August 13** to reserve your spot.

August 15: 34th Hot Nights Cool Rides Car Show, Forest City, NC. \$30, 9-8 pm. Awards at 6 pm

September 12: 9/11 Remembrance and Morrow Mountain Cruise. 10am-3pm

September 12: 16th Annual Grand Strand Stampede All-Ford Show, 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Broadway at the Beach, 1325 Celebrity Circle, Myrtle Beach.

September 12: 16th Annual Grand Strand Stampede All Ford Car Show, 1332 Celebrity Circle, Myrtle Beach, SC

September 12: Foothills Baptist Church 6th Annual Christmas Kids Car, Truck, and Jeep Show, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., 1204 North Highway 25, Travelers Rest. Entry is a \$10 unwrapped toy or a \$20 fee.

September 19: Shelby, Roush, Saleen, RTR and Shinoda Mustang Car Show

October 10: Fall All-Ford Car Show at Charlotte Motor Speedway



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Events Continued

November 7: 32nd Annual Low Country Mustang Club Mustang and Ford Car Show at Jones Ford, 5757 Rivers Ave., North Charleston, SC, benefiting Patriot Villas. Registration is \$25 from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m.; awards begin at 3:00 p.m.

December 9: Christmas Party at The Peddler Steakhouse, 2000 Poinsett Highway, Greenville. A Dirty Santa gift exchange is planned, with a \$25 gift limit.

Webmaster Report

Send your car photos to Eric Hankerson, the webmaster, using the submission form on the FMC website. When taking photos at activities, please remember we are a club of people so whenever possible include the include people in the photos.

Items available on the website FoothillsMustangClub.org include FMC car magnets for \$10 each, personalized FMC pins featuring your name and Mustang model for \$15, embroidered patches for \$5, and a large selection of FMC T-shirts and hats.

Mustang Club of America President's Award

Scott Unger submitted the Foothills Mustang Club for the MCA President's Award and learned the club was approved. The award requires 100 points in 2025, and Scott will accept it at an upcoming MCA event. Please send him items for the club's 2026 application. Point requirements and documentation details are available at Mustang.org.

Scott also encouraged members to submit an article for publication in Mustang Times.

2027 Best Looking Cruiser Calendar

Clayton announced that the South Carolina Highway Patrol Mustang will be featured in the 2027 America's Best Looking Cruiser Calendar, photographed on a flight line with an F-16 Fighting Falcon in the background.

FMC Fall Car Show

The FMC Board will meet this month to plan the late-October car show. The selected charity may be Greer STEP (Shelter to Empower People), which provides shelter and support through a 90-day program that helps people become independent. *Post meeting note, the meeting will be held at Buffalo Cornbread on August 12th. Remember members are encouraged to attend please contact Joshua if you choose to do so he can arrange for enough space.*

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on August 24, 2026, at Dave & Buster's 1025 Woodruff Road, Greenville, SC.

Adjournment

John Crabtree moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded, and the meeting ended at 8:07pm



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McCoy Ford's at Four: July 3



Congratulations to Alana and Patrick



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Mustangs in the Valley 2026

Photos from Joshua Fowler



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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



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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 cjonyparts.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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CLOSE TO HOME JOHN MCPHERSON



"Do you have any idea how fast you were going?"

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)

A guy is working under his car. After a while, he rolls out, spots something on the ground—about the size of a quarter—picks it up, and looks... disappointed.

He goes inside, comes back with a vacuum cleaner, hooks the hose up under the hood, turns it on, crawls back under the car with the little object...A minute later, he comes out smiling, shuts off the vacuum, and the job is done.

What did he do—and why did he need the vacuum cleaner?

Answer follows

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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, here's what happened.

Frank is under the car changing the oil, minding his own business, when suddenly he finds that little thing on the ground, the drain plug gasket. Which means... uh-oh... he already put the plug back in without it. Now if he takes the plug out again, whoosh! five quarts of oil all over the driveway, the dog, and probably his shoes. So, what does our genius neighbor do?

He goes into the house, grabs the vacuum cleaner, and hooks it up to the oil fill hole. Turns it on... and creates a vacuum inside the engine. That vacuum holds the oil in—just long enough for him to zip out the plug, slip the gasket on, and tighten it back up. Maybe loses a few drops... but not the Exxon Valdez.

And that's how Frank fixed his mistake...

Using a Hoover... as a life-support system for his Lincoln.

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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Snail Mail 135 Ridge Glen - Simpsonville, SC 29680

Editor's remarks

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

Scott Unger, Newsletter Editor