



# THE PONY EXPRESS



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**President's Props**

Hi FMC Family.

As we are approaching full summer, I hope you are out enjoying those Mustangs and being safe. I hope to see everyone soon as we begin planning more events for the club to enjoy. I want to welcome all our new members and thank you all for wanting to be a part of our family. I want to give big props to Eric Hankinson for all he is doing with our website and numerous other things he is and has been doing for FMC. I also want to thank Joshua Fowler for handling things in my absence due to work. I also want to thank Carol Unger and Karen Manglass for all they do with getting the door prizes arranged for our car shows and handling our 50/50 for all our meetings. I also want to give many props to Scott Unger for all the hard work he does for this very newsletter. It takes so much time to keep up with everything and put it together. Everyone in the club plays a part in FMC and I appreciate every one of you. Thank you all so much. I love our FMC family!

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Clayton Gibson, President

**Message from our Chairman.**

Hello everyone. Thank you to everyone who made it out to our last meeting at Dave and Busters in Greenville. Thank you to everyone who came out to the spring car show at Wade Hampton lanes in Greer. Loved seeing everyone's great looking cars. Huge shoutout to all the volunteers that help so much with putting on our show. Thanks to Carol Unger for all the work she does with the basket raffles. Hope everyone had a great time. Definitely keep an eye out for our events tap for a fun-filled summer. 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 at Silver Bay of Easley.

Chairman-of-the Board  
Joshua Fowler

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

We had a very successful spring car show for the service dogs for veterans. Many people stepped up and made it successful and that is greatly appreciated. It takes a village. We have some upcoming cruise-ins at McCoy Ford. We plan on having some great monthly meetings over the summer. We also have a cruise-in at the market at the mill in Pickens.

Brett Looper, Vice President

**Message from our Webmaster**

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- Identify the Mustang that is uniquely different. Send the caption under the photo, along with your full name, phone number **AND** a quality photo of your own Mustang (or Mustangs if you own more than one) to [contest@foothillsmustangclub.org](mailto:contest@foothillsmustangclub.org).
- **FINE PRINT:** All eligible email entries must be received by June 30, 2025; one entry per member. Only FMC Members whose annual dues are current at the time of the drawing are eligible. FMC Officers and Board Members are ineligible for the drawing. One eligible entry will be randomly selected, and the winner will be notified by both email and phone call by July 4, 2025.

Thanks., Eric Hankinson



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**2025 meetings**

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

<b>June 23</b> <b>Silver Bay of Easley</b> 7027 Calhoun Memorial Hwy–Easley, SC 29640	
<b>July 28</b> <b>Quaker Steak &amp; Lube of Greenville</b> 10 Chrome Drive – Greenville, SC 29615	<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>

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**Upcoming Club Activities**

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

July 18-19 Mustangs in the Valley, Maggie Valley Festival Grounds in Maggie Valley, NC

**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](#).

**Mustang Club of America event announcements**

**Ponies in the Ozarks - May 23-25, 2025**

Presented by MCA, National Show & Track Event, Ozark International Raceway  
MO 65037

Gravois Mills,

**Horsepower in the Queen City - June 27-29, 2025**

Presented by Queen City Mustangers, Lakota West High School, West Chester Township, OH



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### Welcome our new Members





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**Service Dogs for Veterans Car Show  
DONATIONS FOR BASKET RAFFLE**

- Advance Auto, Simpsonville
- Auto X Car Wash, Simpsonville
- Auto Zone, Simpsonville
- Carson’s Steak Warehouse, Anderson
- CityRange Steakhouse, Spartanburg
- Common Threads Embroidery, Spartanburg
- Dave & Busters, Woodruff Road
- El Tejano Mexican Restaurant
- Greenville Drive
- McCoy Ford
- Motor Element
- O’Reilly Auto, Simpsonville
- Outback Steakhouse, Easley
- Sherby’s Pub, Simpsonville
- Shortfield’s, Simpsonville
- Silver Bay, Simpsonville
- Southern Shine Car Wash, Travelers Rest
- Spinx
- Ted’s Montana Grill, Spartanburg
- Whistle Express Car Wash, Spartanburg

**FMC Member Donors**

- Joshua Fowler
- Eric & Pam Hankinson
- Lou & Karen Manglass
- Scott & Carol Unger
- Terry & Linda Voigt
- Sally Sable



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### Service Dogs for Veterans Awards



Best of Show –

Chris Hammett; 2023 Chevrolet Corvette



Charity's Choice -

William Edgar; 1969 Pontiac Firebird



McCoy Ford Sponsor's Choice -

Robbie Rogers; 1966 Ford Mustang

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Club's Choice -  
Ed Allender; 1963 Chevrolet Impala

**Top 30 award winners**  
(In no particular order)





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**2025 FMC Spring Charity Car Show Top 25 Award Winners**

Joe Covello 1969 Chevy Camaro	Matthew Merritt 2019 Dodge Challenger R/T
Chuck Crispell 2006 Mustang GT 500	Rodney Painter 1963 Chevy Impala
Brent Densmore 2013 Mustang Boss 302	Todd Paulus 1973 Chevy Corvette
John Fleisher 1965 Shelby Cobra Replica	Marc Pizzola II 2021 Chevy Corvette
Eddie Harley 1998 Mustang CVT Cobra	Mark & Tina Putnam 1990 Mustang GT
Alex Hicks 2008 Mustang Bullett	Mark Ruff 2012 Mustang GT500
Mike Holland 1966 Plymouth Barracuda	Terry Slater 1956 Ford F100
Tammy Kersey 2002 Pontiac Trans Am	Martie Teller 2019 Chevy Corvette
Jeff Lemieux 1991 Chevy Camaro	Butch Thompson 2013 Dodge Challenger
Richard Lumay 2021 Chevy Corvette Z51	Jackie Turner Chevy Camaro Z28
Joel & Michelle Lynch 1978 Pontiac Trans Am	Scott Unger 2007 Mustang
Olivia Marthallas 2018 Mustang GT	Terry & Linda Voigt 2016 Mustang GT
	Robbie Whelchel 2003 Mustang Rous



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**May 19th Meeting**



Pinky Garrett and Cilley. Doug Garrett.



Clayton and the attendees



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**Meeting Minutes –May 19, 2025**

Prepared by Tonya Looper  
Location: Dave & Busters, Greenville, SC

Meeting was called to order by Clayton Gibson at 7:11 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

John introduced new members

Scott & Kitty McDonald

Cameron White

Doug and Pinky Garrett with Cilly

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

Activities Coordinator: Position Open

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

Absent Officers/Board Member: Sally Sable, Jim Rapp, Kevin Williams.

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

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

Meeting minutes were accepted and seconded.

Treasury Report was given by Louis Manglass.

Treasurer report motion was made to accept and seconded.



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John spoke about Mustang Club of America (MCA), and its 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

15% of parts in store and for every sale that is a club referral club will receive \$500.00 donation with 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/>

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:

Lyndsey Densmore has left McCoy Ford to help her husband with family business her replacement is Gabby Leverett.

June 6 (Friday) there will be the be Cruise in with McCoy Ford.

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 in July. Details to come soon.

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>

Clayton thanked Eric for the wonderful job on the website.

Past Events:

May 1 Pickens High School Blue Flame Car Show

May 2 McCoy Ford First Friday Cruise In.

May 4 FMC Cruise In for Service Dogs 4 Veterans

May 7 Drive In/Cruise In



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Future Events:

June 6 McCoy Ford Cruise In

June 14 Corvette Cruise In @ Holliday Brewing 11 to 4 Cold Beer, Food 12 Prospect Street, Inman, S.C.

Future Car Shows:

Mustangs in the Valley at the Maggie Valley Festival Grounds in Maggie Valley North Carolina July 18-19

Joshua spoke about possible meet up at 7:30 am Hardee's Travelers Rest. There is a \$30.00 registration fee. See Joshua Fowler for more information.

Located at 3374 Soco Road, Maggie Valley, NC, United States, North Carolina 28751

This event is open to All Years and All Models of the Ford Mustang. Thursday is Blue Ridge Parkway Cruise and the start of the miniature golf tournament at Maggie Valley Carpet Golf. Judged show & shine on Friday and Saturday.

This event is held in conjunction with Moonshine Valley F-100's, Broncos in the Valley and the Maggie Valley Swap Meet. Please share photos of what you are bringing. Thanks to those of you that shared these photos! For more information, please call 423-608-4519.

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 Board Meeting: June 12, 2025, Location TBA via Facebook Board Chat

Next Meeting: June 23, 2025, Silver Bay, Easley, SC

Clayton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion was seconded and meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.



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[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!  
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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

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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)**

I'm driving down the highway, and I see way up ahead one of those diesel tractor trailers spewing from its smokestacks, the vilest, blackest, thickest, most acrid smoke imaginable. And as luck would have it, I'm closing in on the guy. And I realized after a minute or so, that he's pulled over to the side of the road, and the rig is running, and the smoke is just pouring out. So, I pull up next to him, and I put down my passenger side window, and I say, "Hey, knucklehead, you're killing everyone behind you. Why don't you shut this thing off?" And he says, "I did. I turned it off, but it won't shut off." So, I say to him, "Well, obviously, something's wrong. Why don't you stall it out?" He says, "I can't. It has an automatic transmission. But don't worry, in a couple of minutes, the engine will be seized." And I say, "Really?" And then I happen to see the emblem on the side of his truck, and in an instant, I know why. The puzzler is, what was the emblem on the side of the truck? And also, what was going on here?

*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 Clayton Gibson.

Send emails to or use the USPS to:

John Crabtree - [foothillsmustangclub.1979@gmail.com](mailto:foothillsmustangclub.1979@gmail.com) Snail Mail 135 Ridge Glen - Simpsonville, SC 29680

**The answer for the Puzzler.**

So, the emblem I see says the words, "Turbo Charged."

And the reason he can't shut the thing off is that the turbo charger has failed, and it is sucking the crankcase oil out of the engine.

So, it should be mentioned that when you shut off a normal vehicle, you are stopping the spark from occurring.

But diesel engines don't really have a spark. To turn off a diesel engine, you shut off the fuel. You close a valve which prevents fuel from getting from the tank to the injectors, and the engine obviously shuts down.

But now, if the turbo failed, it doesn't need the fuel in the tank anymore. It's using the motor oil as a fuel, and that's why the smoke is thick and black.

And what's happening is it will suck all the oil out of the engine, and when that oil is gone, it will finally stop.

**Editor's remarks**

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

Scott Unger, Newsletter Editor