



# THE PONY EXPRESS



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## Check Presentation to the Service Dogs for Veterans



James Ault receives our plaque from President Clayton Gibson

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Photos from the Service Dogs for Veterans check presentation day. Thanks to Kevin Williams.





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### **President's Props**

Hi FMC Family.

I want to welcome all our new members and thank you all for wanting to be a part of our family. To start with, thanks to everyone who took part in the car show and all the participants who came to raise funds for Service Dogs for Veterans. We were able to visit their facilities and watch some of their amazing training with some great Veterans. Because of the generous contributions from everyone we were able to present them with a check for \$2200. They were so very grateful. We are working on future events and making plans for our next show and charity. We had a great meeting in June at Silver Bay in Easley. We invite you to come out to our monthly meetings to enjoy fellowship with other Mustang enthusiasts. Keep an eye on our newsletter, website and Facebook to keep up with what is going on with the FMC. I 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 Silver Bay in Easley. Thank you to everyone that came out to the summer market day, hope everyone had a good time. Keep an eye out for some events we have planned this summer, our next day trip will be the mustangs in the valley on July 19<sup>th</sup>. 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.

Joshua Fowler

Chairman-of-the Board

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

Happy 4th of July everyone! I hope you enjoy spending time with your friends and family. I know the board has checked out the future venue in Spartanburg that Kevin suggested. Hopefully, we can have some events there. We still have the Ford at Four shows each month at McCoy Ford. Our monthly meetings are a great way to come meet and get updates. I know we are working on the fall show. Stay tuned for updates on that as well.

Happy motoring.

Brett Looper, Vice President

### **Message from our Webmaster**

**We have a Gift Card Winner!** Congratulations to Alana Revels with her 1966 White Mustang Coupe; the winner of the \$50 Ted's Montana Grill Gift Card. Alana and several other Members correctly identified the uniquely different Mustang photo in the FMC website Mustang Stable: 2 children sitting in a red Mustang convertible electric toy car with the caption "Cruisin". Thank you to those that entered. Look for another contest in a future edition of The Pony Express Newsletter.

In addition to seeing events posted on the FMC Members Only Facebook page and the Foothills Mustang Club website "Events" page, you should also be receiving emails announcing details on upcoming events. These emails are generated from the FMC Website. However, for Google Calendar users, you also have the option to go to our website and at the end of the "Events" page, you'll find the option to open a "Calendar View" where in the lower left corner, you see "Add to Google Calendar." This should allow you to receive updates automatically as events are added to our Calendar.

And remember, if you want your Mustang to appear on the FMC website, send up to four (4) images to [admin@foothillsmustangclub.org](mailto:admin@foothillsmustangclub.org).

Thank you, Eric Hankinson



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**2025 meetings**

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

<p><b>July 28</b> <b>Quaker Steak &amp; Lube of Greenville</b> 10 Chrome Drive – Greenville, SC 29615</p>	<p><b>August 25</b> <b>Tipsy Taco of Greer</b> 14180 E. Wade Hampton Blvd.- Greer, SC 29651</p>
<p><b>September 22</b> <b>Golden Corral of Greenville 7:00pm</b> 3240 N. Pleasantburg Drive -Greenville, SC 29609</p>	<p><b>October 27</b> <b>Dave &amp; Busters of Greenville</b> 1025 Woodruff Rd – Greenville, SC 29607</p>
<p><b>November 24</b> <b>Fuddruckers of Spartanburg</b> 1509 John B. White Sr. Blvd, -Spartanburg, SC 29301</p>	<p><b>December 10<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Christmas Party</b> <b>Location to be determined</b></p>

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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


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**

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**No new members to announce**



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### June Monthly meeting, Silver Bay Easley





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### **June 23rd Meeting**

Prepared by Tonya Looper  
Location: Silver Bay Easley, SC

Meeting was called to order by Clayton Gibson at 7:30 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

#### **Board Members:**

- John Crabtree, Kevin Williams, Jim Rapp, Eric Hankinson, Sally Sable, Karen Manglass.
- Absent Officers/Board Member: Kevin Williams.

Webmaster: Eric Hankinson

Newsletter Editor: Scott Unger

Activities Coordinator: Position Open

If you are not getting the newsletter via email, please let Newsletter Editor Scott Unger know.  
At [ponyexpress@foothillsmustangclub.org](mailto: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 May 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.

Treasurer report motion was made to accept and seconded.

John spoke about MCA, and it benefits.

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



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- 10% off at Fairway Ford for the over-the-counter parts
- 10 % of service at Benson Ford
- 25% 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 also 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: July 11, 2025, will be the next McCoy Friday Night Cruise in.

- June 6th Cruise In plaques were present to McCoy for Show Choice and Sponsor

Mustang Museum in Concord, NC

- Club has 6 passes that can be check out with Clayton Gibson to visit.
  - o Joshua Fowler is planning a trip up to Concord in August. Details to come soon.
  - o 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>



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Past Events:

- June 6 McCoy Ford Cruise-In
- June 9 Officers and Board visited Service Dogs 4 Veterans to make check presentation from Spring Car Show.
- June 14 Corvette Cruise-In @ Holliday Brewing 11 to 4 Cold Beer, Food 12 Prospect Street, Inman, S.C.
- Eric shared about the Mustang Stampede at Cross Road Ford on June 28, 2025
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Future Car Shows:

- 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: Joshua Fowler will be leading a group from Hardee's in Travelers Rest, SC 7:30 am departure time. Mustangs in the Valley at the Maggie Valley Festival Grounds in Maggie Valley North Carolina Address: **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. Held in conjunction with Moonshine Valley F-100's, Broncos in the Valley and the Maggie Valley Swap Meet. For more information, please call 423-608-4519.
- June 26, 2025, Cars & Coffee Bridgeway Station.

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: July 7, 2025**, Silver Bay Easley, SC

**Next Meeting: July 28, 2025**, Quaker Steak and Lube, Greenville, SC

Per Scott: If anyone from the Club is interested in attending the Greenville Drive game Friday Aug. 8, 2025, Scott is a member of The Central Railway Model & Historical Association that will be going that evening he has invited us to join the group. The Drive will be playing the Rome Emperors (Braves Farm Team) See Scott for more information or contact him via [scott.d.unger01@gmail.com](mailto:scott.d.unger01@gmail.com) or text him at 412.491.4655

Clayton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting; motion was seconded and meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Location:



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



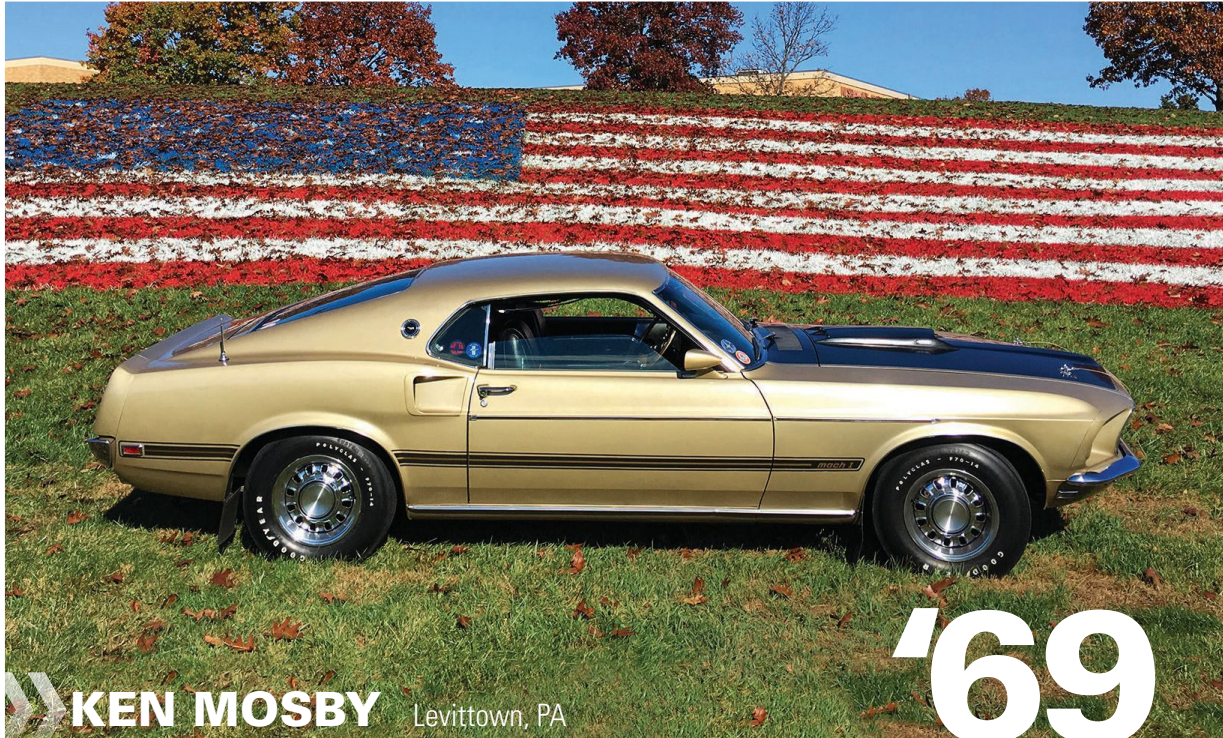
**Check out the new car magnets on John's car!**

They are gone; however, we can order more!  
Just Contact John at [foothillsmustangclub.1979@gmail.com](mailto:foothillsmustangclub.1979@gmail.com)



**Check out Ken Mosby and his Mustangs from the March 2017 Mustang Times!**

**MY MUSTANG**



I like to think of my two 1969 Cobra Jet Mach 1s as rolling museums of Ford Motor Company's options and accessories. They tend to challenge the judges. And I'm an MCA judge myself!

I purchased the Candyapple Red Mach 1 in 1979 out of the *Philadelphia Inquirer* classifieds. I was the eighth owner and the car needed to be restored. It was optioned with the four-speed transmission, Traction-Lok, power front disc brakes, power steering, and AM/FM radio. By the time I bought it, it had mag wheels and a Cal Custom air cleaner on top of a 650 cfm Holley, but the original air cleaner was in the trunk. The first thing to go was the anti-theft toggle switch wired with black, white, and green house wiring. Then the car wouldn't start. It turned out to be a bad solder in the tachometer. Also, two fuses were wrapped with chewing gum foil; when I turned the heater on, the clock started working!

I collected NOS Ford parts for years during the good old days when I would go to the parts counter at Hopkins Ford in Jenkintown every pay-day to pick up parts and order more, including bumpers, electric rear antenna, door handles, back-up lights, spoilers, louvers, dash pad, H-pipe, and aluminum intake.

When I started a new job, I parked next to a Champagne Gold 1969 Mach 1, also a Cobra Jet. The owner, Bill Hoffman, had ordered it when he worked for Philco Ford. I studied his car because it was all-original and had more options and Ford accessories, like the fold-down rear seat, electric rear antenna, wheel splash guards, and front bumper guards. He sold the Mach to me in 1984.





Fisher's Auto Body painted the red Mach in 1993 and installed NOS door skins, taillight panel, front and rear valances, electric rear mount antenna, louvers, spoilers, and Shaker scoop. I recovered the seats with upholstery from Tony Branda and added the fold-down rear seat from a donor car. Then the engine expired and I parked the red car to work on the gold car.

Bill had told me that the dealership dented the rear during delivery in January of 1969, so instead of trying to match the paint he had the taillight panel painted black like the Boss 302. Bill also added J.C. Whitney fog lights, intermittent wipers, dual rear window defoggers, saddle bag litter basket/tissue dispenser, and a horn alarm. I detailed the engine and replaced the heater core—not an easy job in a 1969 Mustang with A/C! Glaziers Mustang Barn returned the taillight panel to the original color along with the underside of the hood where battery acid had eaten the paint. The rest of the car still has the original paint! Competing in shows against freshly painted cars was tough but we did well in the newly emerging Unrestored class, earning a MCA Silver award in 1996.

Because the gold car was heavily optioned, it was an excellent reference for upgrading and restoring the red car. The two-page window sticker showed automatic transmission, power front disc brakes, power steering, tachometer, fold-down rear seat, AM/FM, electric rear mount antenna, air conditioning, deluxe belts with warning light, tinted glass, tilt-away steering wheel, Visibility Group, and front bumper guards. I added Ford intermittent wipers, Mustang floor mats, remote control trunk release, body side and wheel well moldings, license plate frames, door edge guards, vanity mirror, engine compartment lamp, junior size tissue dispenser, and a saddle bag litter basket.

All it took was for my second wife, Lynn, to ask me when I was going to get the red car running again. In 2006, I pulled the engine and took it apart to find a valve spring broken in three



places. Philadelphia Racing Engines rebuilt and balanced the CJ with a Bullet cam, forged pistons, and my aluminum intake manifold with the correct 735 cfm Holley. While the engine was out, I stripped and painted the engine compartment and had holes in the shock towers—added by previous owner to change the sparkplugs—welded shut.

I also sent the instrument panel out for chroming, installed a new headliner and sail panels, and added wiring and vacuum lines for the accessories that included Ford fog and road lamps, deluxe belts with warning light, tilt-away steering wheel, intermittent wipers, remote control trunk lid release, and lights-on warning system. I also added accessories like wheel well moldings, wheel splash guards, Mustang crest rubber floor mats, license plate frames, door edge guards, vanity mirror, engine compartment lamp, junior size tissue dispenser, and the saddle bag litter basket. Then we started winning on the concours circuit!

I never said I did everything in the correct order. Now when "That Most Wonderful Time of Year" arrives, I have a choice when going to car shows—to shift or not to shift!





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

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**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**

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

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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)**

Here is the new puzzler for today.

This one is short, and not that detailed. Sometimes you just gotta give a simple one.

Here it is:

I was driving on an access road going to get on the freeway. There was a convertible in front of me, top down. Beautiful day. There was a couple in the car, which I assume were husband and wife. The car was a small sport type with a standard transmission.

We had about three stoplights to go until the on ramp for the freeway. At every stoplight, the couple would turn to each other and have a conversation. When the light turned green, the conversation would stop until they stopped at the next light. In other words, they would stop talking until they'd come up to the next light. Then at the light, while stopped, they would start talking again.

The puzzler is, why did they only talk at red lights?

There was no loud background noise. The car was not excessively noisy. They did not have the radio on.

Good luck.

*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) .

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**The answer for the Puzzler.**

So, why did they only talk at red lights?

Some might say, "Oh, it was loud when they were driving since it was a convertible..."

But that is not the answer we were looking for.

You can talk in a convertible. And remember, they were not on the highway yet.

The reason they only talked at stop lights is because they were talking with their hands.

They were using sign language. So, they could not talk while driving.

But when they would stop, they would begin to sign.

And that is the answer.

**Editor's remarks**

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

Scott Unger, Newsletter Editor