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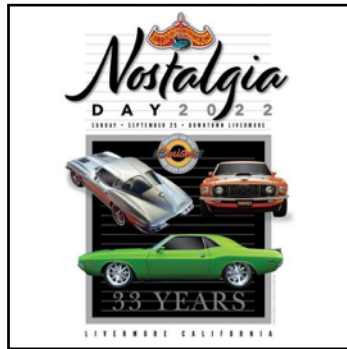
The Feed Bag

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Nostalgia Day in Livermore

by Karen Davis

Livermore's 33rd annual Nostalgia Day had a bit of everything - a large square in downtown that is closed to through traffic featuring beautiful cars of every type and year in show condition, vendors lining streets for several blocks included a farmers' market, fair-style finger foods and specialty desserts. The Livermore Police Department and local stores had sidewalk booths. The Share a Coat program was resurrected for this show. And of course show shirts were available for sale!



Victor and Karen Harris showed their 1967 Mustang fastback and found a great parking space next to the library and park. Harry and Karen Davis showed their 2006 Mustang GT. Blue was the color of both DVMA cars! The event included only pre-registered cars, and everyone parked wherever there was space. Many entries arrive very early so parking was soon at a premium. When Harry and Karen arrived before the show hours began, the pedestrians were already everywhere, so the show space was expanded a bit and their 2006 Mustang was parked in a premium space next to a great coffee shop. One 1930's Ford hot rod was sitting on an exotic truck with trailer and both were stunning.

The Livermore Nostalgia Day Car Show usually has about 600 entries! Held the last Sunday of each September, this year's show was on September 25th. Mark your calendar now for the last Sunday of next September to participate in this unique show.



Bill Brandt Ford Turns 50!

by Anne Haugrud

Not many car dealerships can boast about being in business for 50 years, but Bill Brandt Ford in Brentwood, a longtime supporter of DVMA, can and did in a big way on the evening of October 20th. A beautiful catered gala with food, drinks and live music was spread out over the parking lot and showroom (minus the new display cars and trucks, of course) celebrating the business's 50th anniversary. Fun fact: a new electric F-150 Lightning truck's battery was powering all the lights, live music, sound system and twinkle lights outside!

The early years of the business started in the 50's when it was owned by a Mr. Chapman and his wife Earline. She was at the reception and, at age 95 years young, told me how her husband was killed in a freak hunting accident leaving her with 3 small children and a busy car dealership to run. She ran the business for 12 years making her one of only a handful of female-owned Ford dealerships in the country. Go Earline! Bill Brandt bought the dealership in 1972. He passed away a few years ago but his sons, Jim and Rob, along with many other family members, carry on the legacy today. Rob Brandt has been a major contributor to the success of our yearly car shows by generously providing t-shirts, port-a-potties, folding tables and space rental fees at Streets of Brentwood. We are so grateful for that. Thank you for your ongoing support and congratulations on your first 50 years!



Atria Senior Living hosts "Tailgate Party"

On Thursday, September 8th, Atria Senior Living in Walnut Creek hosted a "Tailgate Party" for their residents featuring the cars of DVMA members. In spite of 100-plus degree weather, and a big traffic slowdown on Ygnacio Valley Road, three Mustangs and a Datsun made it there for the residents to enjoy. The staff got really into the theme, and decorated the building with balloons, checkered flags, and racetrack banners. The residents enjoyed the cars and we all ate some delicious snacks from Atria.



DVMA Christmas Party is December 18

Mark your calendar for the annual DVMA Christmas party on **Sunday, December 18 at 2:00 pm**. El Tapatio Mexican restaurant in Pleasant Hill will once again be hosting the festivities. DVMA will be covering part of the cost of lunch, so the cost to each attendee is only \$16. In addition to good food and great company, there will also be our infamous gift exchange - bring a gift valued at up to \$20 if you wish to take part in the ~~mayhem~~ fun! Sign up in the event book at the meeting November 9th.

DVMA Dispatch

President's Message from Harry Davis



Welcome to returning members Mark and Gail Vasgerdsian of Pleasant Hill and new members Frank and Anna Pizzileo of Concord. Mark, Gail, and Frank were all at the October meeting. DVMA is excited to see old and new friends with wonderful friendships within DVMA and all the beautiful Mustangs joining the club.

There were more car shows in October and members had a great time at Sonoma Raceway with Classic Sports Racing Group Charity Challenge, a fun show at El Dorado Middle School in Concord, and a great show at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in Concord (the show was organized by

Elizabeth Cofer), Stangz Across the Straits with Robin Paulsell, Detail Garage, and several other outings by DVMA members.

DVMA will celebrate the Christmas Holiday season with a fun afternoon at El Tapatio on December 18, Sunday, at 2:00 pm. We will again have the gift exchange, known as steal-a-gift; everyone will have a great time.

See you at the next meeting November 9, 7:00 pm, at Fuddruckers! Come early for food and socializing. It is a pleasure to see each of you at meetings and events!

Harry Davis



It's DVMA Membership Renewal Time!

If you haven't renewed your DVMA membership yet, it's time!

We've made it really easy by offering 3 ways to do it:

- 1. Renew in person at the monthly meeting at Fuddruckers**
- 2. Renew by mail: DVMA, PO Box 21674, Concord, CA 94521**
- 3. Renew online at DVMA.org**

Classic Sports Racing Group Charity Challenge

by Bill Kinsey

DVMA's October tour was a visit to this year's Classic Sports Racing Group (CSRG) Charity Challenge at Sonoma Raceway on Oct 1, with Matthew Hawkes and Bill Kinsey attending. It's racing, it's a car show, it's a full throttle living museum with belch-fire exhibits roaring in competition where every owner and driver is a friendly and knowledgeable docent.

CSRG was formed in 1968 for the purpose of preserving vintage sports and racing cars that are no longer eligible or competitive in club racing, and conducts Spring and Fall events at Sonoma.



This Fall's event saw participating cars from the 1950s through the 1980s, resulting in a diversity of racing classes. Large and small displacement production cars, small displacement sports racers, an MG Reunion class, nine classes in all with some cars eligible for multiple classes. Formula Ford had 37 entrants, the biggest class of the event. Considered to be a training ground in Formula racing, Formula Ford started in the 1960s in Europe, was popular in America from its introduction here in 1967 through the 1990s, and continues today. Typically powered by Ford's 1600cc and 2.0 liter 4 cylinder OHC engines, Formula Fords are still enjoyed here in US vintage racing.



Closer to our club's interests, four Mustangs ran in the large displacement production class, duking it out with Corvettes and others in a glimpse back at the legendary Trans-Am races of the 60s and 70s.

An extra treat on the track was Rob fuller, a friend of our club mate and newsletter editor Erik Miller. Rob fielded two production Datsuns: a 240Z and a 510. We cheered him and the 510 on to take second place in an exciting grapple with a very fast Alfa Romeo GTV. He raced both cars on Saturday.

Along with the racing are static displays of historic race cars, historic tow-vehicles (1950s GM Greyhound bus, 1960 Ford pickup), cool cruisers and sports cars, and more interesting and knowledgeable people than you would otherwise meet in a lifetime. As we walked the pit area and made conversation we were treated to insights on Bruce McLaren and Can-Am racing, the wooden frames of Morgan sports cars, and the



mechanical specifics of Formula Fords. There were other cars there not racing, including a couple of 351-powered DeTomaso Panteras, a couple of old-school '32 Ford flathead hot rods, and a 260ci Sunbeam Tiger. No shortage of interesting and gorgeous cars to feast the eyes on, wheel-to-wheel action on the track, and friendly people to meet and talk with.



DVMA Member's Mustangs

by Mark Vasgerdsian, Erik Miller

Avocado Double Deluxe. No, that isn't a healthy new ice cream flavor, or something from the secret menu at In-N-Out Burger. It is, in fact, a very 70's interior color scheme offered by Ford that comprised two different shades of avocado green. Mark Vasgerdsian's 1973 Mustang convertible was not only built with the rarely ordered Avocado Double Deluxe interior, but with the coordinating special order paint color of Metallic Ivy Glow and a Bright White power top. This is one rare and beautiful pony.



Mark has owned over 100 cars in his life, but this Mustang has a special significance. The original owners were neighbors of Mark's when he was young and as a kid he was paid to wash this car, telling the owners that someday he'd own it himself. In the 90's, the owners called Mark and asked if he was ready to buy it, but the timing was bad - he was already in the middle of another Mustang restoration.



Years later, Mark was walking out of a deli in San Francisco, and there was the Mustang double-parked out front. He recognized the license plate and knew it was the same car. Mark waited and spoke to the owner, who confirmed that he had bought the car from Mark's old neighbors, and said that he was not interested in selling.

Fast forward a few more years, and Mark was looking online for a new project when he spotted an ad for a green Mustang convertible - you guessed it - the same car he knew and loved as a kid. He went to see the car and was shocked at its condition.

The last time he had seen it in SF it had still looked great. Now it was "a mess": the paint was faded, the top was torn, there was mold growing in the interior, and it hadn't run in years. Mark knew he had to save this car, so he bought it and towed it home. He spent the next four years restoring it cosmetically and mechanically, including a rebuild of its 351 Cleveland, while preserving as much of the car's originality as possible. Did I mention that amazingly, this car still wears its original coat of Ivy Glow paint? Mark has been enjoying owning and driving this special convertible ever since.



In 2022, Mark decided it was time for another car, and he felt that he'd like to get a newer Mustang. Not a big fan of the usual blue, red, or black cars, he wanted a green one, of course. When he found out that Ford was no longer building 2022 models to start work on the '23 version, he searched local dealers and found a 2022 GT in Eruption Green with a black interior at Putnam Ford in San Mateo. Even though they are 49 years apart, the two green colors are amazingly similar.



Mark and his wife Gail were DVMA members years ago, but their son's involvement in sports and other responsibilities meant that they couldn't attend most DVMA meetings and events, so they let their membership lapse. Mark recently ran into Harry & Karen Davis while shopping at Costco, and they invited him to come to a meeting. Mark attended the October meeting and signed back up, becoming a DVMA member once again. We're happy to welcome him, his family, and his two green Mustangs back to DVMA!

Cars, Coffee, & Cuts in Walnut Creek



For those of you who don't already know, new DVMA member and master barber Susan D'Arcangelo owns Blades Co. Barbershop in the Orchards Shopping Center in Walnut Creek. On Saturday, October 1st, she hosted a Cars, Coffee, & Cuts event. The shop was open and providing cuts & shaves. Outside, there was coffee, donuts and lots of



really nice cars. There were several Mustangs and other Fords, and even a 1970 Mercury Comet with original paint and sporting its born-with 250 six cylinder engine. Susan's Bullitt tribute parked next to its movie nemesis, a black 1968 Dodge Charger, was an especially cool touch.



El Dorado Middle School Car Show

On Friday, October 7th, El Dorado Middle School in Concord hosted their first-ever car show fundraiser, and it was a big success. Two days before the show, they had only 12 cars registered. By the time the show began, they had over 40 cars signed up, and more showing up all the time! It was a fun show that raised money for school programs, and the judging was all done by the kids. Looking forward to their second show!



Coming up: DVMA Train of Lights Ride, December 7

Due to November tickets selling so quickly, the DVMA Train of Lights ride has been rescheduled to Wednesday, December 7th at 7:30 pm. If first class parlor tickets are still available, they are \$65, but there are also standard seats available at \$35 if you like. DVMA members will be riding the 7:30 pm train out of Sunol station. For more information, and the link to buy tickets, go [HERE](#).



DVMA Events Calendar

Click the "[Get info](#)" links for more event details!

November Events

November Adopt-A-Street - XXXXX Cancelled XXXXX

Nov 5 – DVMA Breakfast, Buttercup, 4301 Clayton Rd, Concord, 9:00am

Nov 6 – Coffee & Clutches, Starbucks lot, 5779 Lone Tree Way, Antioch, 8:00am – 10:00am [Get Info](#)

Nov 9 – DVMA Meeting at Fuddruckers, Willows Shopping Center, 1975 Diamond Blvd, Concord, 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Nov 10 – Movie Night at the Cobra Experience, Martinez, "Grand Theft Auto", 6:00pm [Get Info](#)

Nov 12 – Breakfast Club Rally, Sonoma, 7:30am - 12:00pm [Get Info](#)

Nov 12-13– Goodguys Autumn Get-Together, Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton 8:00am - 5:00pm [Get Info](#)

Nov 19 – Golden Hills Mustang Club CHP Toy Drive, @ JD Real Estate, 1351 Oliver Rd, Fairfield, 10:00am - 2:00pm

Nov 20 – Cobra Experience, Martinez: Cars, Kids & Coffee 8:30am - 10:30am, Museum open 10:00am - 3:00pm [Get info](#)

Nov 22 – DVMA Board Meeting at Mountain Mike's Pizza, 5358 Clayton Rd, Concord, 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Nov 25 – Breakfast Club Rally, "Blacktop Friday" [Get Info](#)

Nov 27 – Detail Garage, 1853-6A Monument Blvd, Concord, informal car show, 8:00am – 10:00am

Every Saturday – Hot Concord Nights Car Cruise, Meet @ Pancho's, 2699 Clayton Rd, Concord, 6:00pm [Get Info](#)

December Events

Dec 3 – DVMA Breakfast, Dad's Cafe, 1135 2nd Street, Brentwood, 9:00am **Optional driving tour to follow!**

Dec 4 – Coffee & Clutches, Starbucks lot, 5779 Lone Tree Way, Antioch, 8:00am – 10:00am [Get Info](#)

Dec 7 – DVMA Train of Lights ride from Sunol station, 7:30pm [Get Info](#)

Dec 14 – DVMA Meeting at Fuddruckers, Willows Shopping Center, 1975 Diamond Blvd, Concord, 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Dec 18 – DVMA Christmas Party at El Tapatio, 40 Golf Club Rd, Pleasant Hill, 2:00pm

Upcoming Events

1/7/2023 – DVMA Breakfast, Black Bear Diner, 700 Bancroft Rd, Walnut Creek, 9:00am

5/20/23 – The Biggest Little Car Show, Suisun City, CA [Get Info](#)

6/10/23 – Cobra Experience Food Drive, Martinez, 8:00am - 10:00am, Museum open 10:00am - 1:00pm [Get info](#)

09/23/2023 – DVMA All Ford Car Show, Streets of Brentwood



November Adopt-A-Street is Cancelled

Due to limited staff, the City of Concord has had to cancel the Adopt-A-Street event that was scheduled for Saturday,



November 12. They are currently putting together the schedule for 2023 and will let us know soon what those dates will be.

DVMA General Meeting Minutes, Fuddruckers, Concord, CA. October 12, 2022

DVMA's general meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm, by President Harry Davis.
Welcome to everyone attending! Introductions were made all around.

Welcome new members Susan D'Arcangelo of Concord and Anthony Northrup and Ngoc Anh Northrup of Pleasant Hill.
Welcome to returning members Mark and Gail Vasgerdsian of Pleasant Hill, who brought membership info and fees to this meeting. Welcome to Frank Pizzileo who came to this meeting as a guest and joined DVMA with wife Anna of Pleasant Hill.

CAR SHOW 2023 - SEPT 23, 2023 is the date of DVMA's next Car Show, Ford-Powered Cars. Mustang classes will have first and second place trophies; other classes will have first place only trophies. Mustang classes will be in year groups.

PAST PRESIDENT – John Haugrud – No report

VICE PRESIDENT – Matthew Hawkes – No report

SECRETARY - Karen Davis - DVMA has received donation info from the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, and has received a letter of thanks for this past donation to the Food Bank.

MEMBERSHIP – Ed Guldner – After new memberships at this meeting, DVMA has 61 memberships, 135 members, 149 cars, and 20 MCA members. DVMA has received 47 renewals at this time, 77%.

TREASURER – Dwight Moreland – DVMA will be purchasing trophies for the Car Show.

TOUR COORDINATOR – Bill Kinsey – The Event calendar has been updated for October and an event list is also sent to all members by email.

UPCOMING EVENTS – Check the Event Book for upcoming info.

Dec 18 - DVMA Christmas party at El Tapatio, Pleasant Hill, 2:00 pm (\$16 per person, check or cash to Karen or Dwight; exchange-a-gift \$15-\$20 value if you wish to participate is additional)

NEWSLETTER – Erik Miller – Erik welcomes photos and information.

WEBSITE – Nicole Melton – No report

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES – October birthdays and anniversaries were announced by Karen Harris. Congratulations to each birthday and Anniversary celebrants in **October**.

BOARD MEMBERS – Anne Haugrud, Ed Guldner, Victor Harris – No report

PAST EVENTS – Oct 1-2 - Bill reported that the Classic Sports Racing at Sonoma was a great event and there will be a writeup in the newsletter. Classic cars were on the track and the day was excellent.

The Breakfast Club Rally on **Oct 8** included some really great cars!

Ed reported the September Planes, Trains, and Cars event was great and held at a military museum. There were about 30 cars and 8 Mustangs.

Victor enjoyed the Vallejo Car Show, a two-day festival with vendors, music, and atmosphere. Victor's car was voted Best Car!!

CLUB RAFFLE – Raffle winners - Anne Haugrud and Margie Baria

OLD BUSINESS – None

The next DVMA Board meeting will be on October 26, 2022.
The **next DVMA meeting** is scheduled for **November 9, 2022**.

These are the Brakes...

by Erik Miller

On Sunday, October 2nd, DVMA Vice President Matthew Hawkes drove over to my house so that we could replace the brake pads and rotors on his 2005 Sonic Blue Mustang GT, nicknamed "Safire". Matt had already stocked up on the needed parts from Powerstop and we loaded his car up on the lift, which made the job a lot easier. With each of us tackling a wheel at a time, we had all four corners finished in no time. Then it was time for increasingly aggressive stops to bed in the new pads. This is what the spirit of DVMA is about - members helping each other keep their Mustangs running (and stopping) at their peak.



DVMA Member Birthdays and Anniversaries

November Birthdays

Geary Baria Roger Canfield Tracey Casey Dennis Church Logan Edwards
Marlene Hill Tana Ingle Terry Herringshaw Brooks Laudin Jamie Laudin Tom Martindale
Juan Renteria Patty Suzuki Shaun Waterhouse Cindy Weldon Shawn Willis


November Anniversaries

Tony & Debbie Eistetter

If you're not listed, you're probably new and I didn't get your info in time. My apologies, and happy birthday / anniversary!

Welcome New DVMA Members!

Mark and Gail Vasgerdsian, 1973 Metallic Ivy Glow Convertible & 2022 Eruption Green GT
Frank and Anna Pizzileo, 1967 Candy Apple Red Convertible



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DVMA Objectives

To provide a common meeting ground for Mustang owners and further the enjoyment of ownership to include workshops, question & answer sessions, and technical sessions. To promote a more favorable relationship with the general motoring public. To further the preservation and restoration of all Mustangs. MOST IMPORTANTLY: TO HAVE FUN!

DVMA General Information

The DVMA meets on the second Wednesday of every month at Fuddruckers in Concord. The Board of Directors meets the fourth Tuesday of every month.

DVMA Club Meetings

When:

The second Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm. Arrive early to order & pick up food at the front counter.

Where:

Fuddruckers
1975 Diamond Blvd, Concord, CA 94520
In the Willows shopping center. (925) 825-1443

DVMA Membership Information

Membership is open to any Mustang enthusiast. Dues are \$30 per year plus a \$10 first year initiation fee. Business card size advertising is \$50 (\$25 for members) per year (12 monthly issues). 1/4 page ads are \$100 per year. Other advertising and insert rates are available. Members are allowed brief, one-time For Sale and Wanted ads.