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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Ken Martin

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER (CONT'D)

According to Google, this is a list of the Best Mustang models of all time. I added some pics to give you something to dream about. Happy shopping, and happy New Year!



- **1964 1/2 Mustang**: The original model that kicked off the pony car craze, its historical significance is undeniable.



- **1965 Shelby GT350**: A track-focused, road-legal version of the original Mustang created by Ford and Shelby, featuring a modified 289-cubic-inch V8.



- **1969 Boss 429**: Renowned for its raw power and distinctive looks, this was a limited-production model built to homologate the 429 engine for NASCAR.



- **1970 Mach 1**: Often considered a perfect balance of performance and style, this model is a favorite among enthusiasts.



- **1968 Cobra Jet**: A significant performance model from its era, featuring a powerful 428-cubic-inch Cobra Jet V8 engine.



- **1984 Mustang SVO**: An often-overlooked but significant model from the 1980s, the SVO focused on a balanced performance with a turbocharged inline-four engine.



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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER (CONT'D)



- **2000 SVT Cobra R**: A track-focused special edition with features like independent rear suspension, upgraded cooling, and a stripped-down interior to save weight.



- **2003-2004 SVT Cobra ("Terminator")**: The final iteration of the SVT Cobra before the "Terminator" supercharged 4.6L V8 engine was introduced in the 2003 model year, the car is praised for its groundbreaking performance.



- **2012 Boss 302**: A revival of the legendary Boss 302 nameplate, featuring a high-revving 5.0L V8 and an array of performance upgrades.



- **2015 Shelby GT350/GT350R**: A modern revival of the GT350, it brought back the flat-plane-crank V8 engine and track-focused performance to the Mustang lineup.



- **2019 Mustang Bullitt**: A tribute to the iconic movie car, this edition offered a special tuned 5.0L Coyote engine with 480 horsepower and a higher top speed than the standard GT.



- **2022 Shelby GT500**: the Ford Mustang Shelby GT500. Its supercharged 5.2-liter Predator V8 generated 760 horsepower and 625 lb.-ft of torque runs through a seven-speed TREMEC dual-clutch automatic transmission.



- **2026 Dark Horse Mustang**: The Ford Mustang Dark Horse is a high-performance model of the Mustang, powered by a 5.0-liter V8 engine producing 500 horsepower. With enhanced aerodynamics, an upgraded chassis, and exclusive TREMEC six-speed manual transmission, the Dark Horse can accelerate from 0 to 60 mph in 4.1 seconds and has a top speed of 166 mph.

## MUSTANG FACTS

I ran into an article of fun Mustang Facts and thought I'd share!

The title of MUSTANG was chosen over Cougar and Torino, because “it had the excitement of wide open spaces and was American as all hell.”

The horse logo on the grille took a few different forms—like a knight on a chessboard, or facing right, as a horse runs on a race track. Ultimately, Iacocca said, “the Mustang is a wild horse, not a domesticated racer,” and they decided it should always face left, as designer Phil Clark first drew it.

In 1964, the Mustang’s base price was \$2,368. It was \$1,000 lower than the competition.

Ford originally forecast about 100,000 Mustang sales in the first year. More than 400,000 were sold.

A million Mustangs were sold in the first 24 months, the fastest time for a new car to produce that sales volume.

The highest sale price for a Mustang is \$3.85 million at the Mecum Indy Auction, for the 1965 Shelby GT350OR prototype in 2020. The 2nd highest price for a Mustang was for the 1968 “Bullitt” at \$3.74 million.

The Mustang is one of fewer than 10 cars to survive in continuous production for more than 61 years without missing a model year!

Guess which car has been in continuous production the longest? The Chevrolet Suburban has been in continuous production since 1935. Not Mustang news, but an interesting fact!

## A LITTLE JOKE

Three guys died and went up to heaven. St. Peter is at the gate and tells them that “This is a busy time of the year and you have to bring something Christmassy to be let in”.

So the first guy digs in his pocket, finds a set of keys and dangles them in front of St. Peter who says “You mean those are Christmas bells?” “Of course”, the guy replies and Peter tells him to go ahead in.

The second guy digs in his pockets and finds a lighter which he flicks. “Oh— you mean Christmas lights” Peter says and tells him to go ahead.

The third guy desperately digs in his pocket and finally pulls out a pair of women’s panties. “What on earth does this have to do with Christmas” Peter asks. “Oh I see ” he says, “they are Carols”.

## CMC GENERAL MEETING OCTOBER 11, 2025

Meeting was opened by President Ken, and began with sad news for a few of our members.

Phyllis is in rehab, hoping to get back on her feet soon.

Paul was working on his car, when it took issue with him and rolled forward trapping Paul between the garage wall and the car. he'll be in a leg brace from hip to ankle for the next 6 weeks. Be careful around your vehicles, folks!

Alyce fell and broke her leg last week, she's at home, recovering.

Everyone at the meeting signed cards for each of them, and we all surely hope they are back on both feet soon!

JoAnne next reported on the finances of the Monsoon Madness car show:

Total Costs from the show: \$719.02

Net Income from the show: \$1,997.78

In comparison, last year we made \$737.00, clearly, we had a fantastic Car Show this year! Based on this, the Board decided to give out a total of \$4,000 to our charities. It will be broken down this way:

\$2,000 - Salvation Army Christmas Angles (toys)

\$750 - St. Mary's Food Bank

\$750 - United

\$500 - Olive Branch Community Church

Once again, our charities are the big winners for this year!

Randy mentioned that we had brought in 98 cars to this show, and discussed how much Chapman and Shelby American brought to the table. All agreed that we would all love to see Shelby American at all our future car shows, we'll see how to make that happen. Many thanks to the Chapman team. From the many commercials promoting the show, the setup team, the assistants that came out of the woodwork to help Kristen get the raffle setup, or the cleanup crew, we were thrilled with their commitment.

JoAnn handed out ballots to vote for the 2026 Board. Those of you who voted by mail or text, your votes were included. Once all were tabulated, the elected Board Members are:

JoAnn Martorano

Dan Martorano

Ken Martin

Randy Tinsley

Kristen Martin

Drew Peterson

Joice Lange

Maureen Bartels

Alternates: Joe Pusateri and Ethel Marques

The newly elected Board will meet to elect officers prior to the Christmas party at Nando's, where the new officers will be announced. Remember to bring a \$15-\$20 gift if you'd like to join the gift exchange. We'll be meeting at Nando's, at 6715 E McDowell Rd in Mesa.

## NOVEMBER MEET-UP

NOVEMBER 1, 2025

10 club members attended the Barro's Pizza Party Saturday 11/1. 3 pizzas were ordered, and 1 more was added. Meat lovers, 1 pepperoni, 2 sausage and mushroom. Two slices were leftover, and my grandsons loved them! Great food, great conversations!



## NOVEMBER MEET-UP

### NOVEMBER 1, 2025



We'd love to see more of you at  
these tables!



## JANUARY 22ND MEET-UP

Let's meet at 10:00am at the Biltmore Hotel, 2400 E Missouri Ave in Phoenix. We'll be able to see all the Premier cars up for auction during Car Week.

Lunch has been suggested at the "5 and Diner" at 16th Street and Coulter.



## FEBRUARY MEET-UP

A nice cruise to Saguaro Lake in Tonto National Forest. Lunch at the Marina. Will finalize date and time at the January meeting. Let us know where else you'd like to cruise to this year!



## HELP PLEASE!

Please send your "First Rides" articles, your "Members Mustang Stories" and any Mustang pictures to Maureen at [GT500@twocool.net](mailto:GT500@twocool.net).

Also, please let me know of any typos or issues you find in the newsletter!

We're also looking for any Ford Mustang Recalls to include in the Newsletter, as well as any car show pictures or other Mustang events you attend.

Let me know of any other upcoming car shows or events to include with the 'Calendar of Events'.

**DON'T MAKE ME COME AFTER YOU!!!!!!**

## NEW MEMBER CORNER

**No new members to report this month.**

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#### ZACH MILAZZO

Zach is a metrology specialist skilled in CMM, 3D scanning, reverse engineering, and GD&T analysis, ensuring high-accuracy part inspections and detailed inspection reports. With a strong background in measurement technology, Zach expertise in modeling for Engine One Performance.



#### RICHARD FLOR

Richard Flor- Operations Manager  
Richard is responsible for overseeing business activities to ensure operational efficiency and effectiveness. His key duties include risk management, implementing policies and procedures, and ensuring compliance with applicable laws and regulations

### Engine One Performance is Hiring!

We're looking to grow our team with passionate and motivated individuals. Join us in a dynamic environment where training is provided and growth is encouraged.

- 1. CNC Manufacturing Partner or Individual-** We are seeking a company or skilled individual experienced in CNC manufacturing to collaborate with us on precision projects.
- 2. Shop Assistant** - a hands-on role assisting with engine operations and daily shop tasks. You'll work closely with the owner and receive full training to learn the ropes.
- 3. 2 Bilingual Technical Marketing & Media Coordinators** - Help us share our story and promote our work through marketing and media. Must be bilingual; training provided.

If you are enthusiastic, eager to learn, and ready to be part of a growing company, we'd love to hear from you! Remember, quality is never an accident, it's always the result of intelligent efforts.

Contact Santos Hernandez at 602-367-9046

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 6th—Christmas Party and General Meeting at Nando's 6715 E McDowell Rd., Mesa from 1-3pm bring the family!

December 20th—Cars & Coffee 7:00-10:00am at Dana Park, 1850 S Val Vista Dr.

December 25th—MERRY CHRISTMAS!

January 1st—HAPPY NEW YEAR!

January 10th—Board Meeting—2:00pm 3950 N 90th, Scottsdale AZ

January 10th—General Meeting—3:00pm 3950 N 90th, Scottsdale AZ

January 17-25th—Barrett Jackson Auction at Westworld of Scottsdale

January 17—Premier Sale of AZ Car Week—at the Biltmore Hotel, 2400 E Missouri Ave, Phoenix,

February 14th—Fountain Hills Car Show, 9:00-2:00 in Fountain Park, Fountain Hills

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March 17-21st—Mecum Auction at State Farm Stadium

May 17th, - Florence Car Show, 9:00—3:-00 on Main St in Florence

