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Coppertstate Mustang Club



PRESIDENT'S CORNER By Ken Martin

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I just received the September 2025 issue of the Mustang Times. One of my favorite articles is the Judge's Corner, this time written by Billy Hensen.

Billy spoke on some trends in judging that are being seen both at MCA National and regional levels. One issue is that everyone is aging out, but there is a growing trend of younger people wanting to participate in judging. Billy said, "If you had told me in 1996 that I was going to be involved in the MCA to this extent I would not have believed it. It is the people you meet and the friends you make that caused the position of head judge to be interesting and fun. This is happening currently for the younger people as they create bonds and continue to attend (MCA judged) car shows."

His comments about judging ring true also about Car Club membership. I hear from my car club friends in different states that they are concerned about the same issue. But I have seen one simple thing make a difference in bringing younger people into the car club hobby. Inviting them!

I have seen some senior members of a car club make connections at a community college auto shop. Two of the kids at the auto shop joined the Mustang Club. With the help of their new mentors, they started working on cars, and brought those cars to the car show. Other people invited their adult children to come on outings and fun runs, and some of those 20 and 30 year olds joined the club too. (cont'f)

PRESIDENT'S CORNER (CONT'D)

Everyone is looking for a place to belong and friends to enjoy.

It is the people you meet and the friends you make that cause car club membership to be interesting and fun. What can we do at Copperstate Mustang Club to reach out to people who are younger than our average member?



One of the cars at the Elkton Car Show Picture from Kathy Moore

A LITTLE JOKE

Yesterday, a friend had a flat tire on the interstate. So she eased her car over to the shoulder of the road, carefully got out of the car and opened the trunk.

She took out two cardboard men, unfolded them and stood them at the rear of the car facing on-coming traffic. They looked so life like you wouldn't believe it! They're dressed in open trench coats that exposed their nude bodies and private parts to the approaching drivers.

But to her surprise, cars started slowing down to look at the lifelike men. And, of course, traffic began backing up. Everybody tooted their horns and waved like crazy. It wasn't long before a state trooper pulled up behind her.

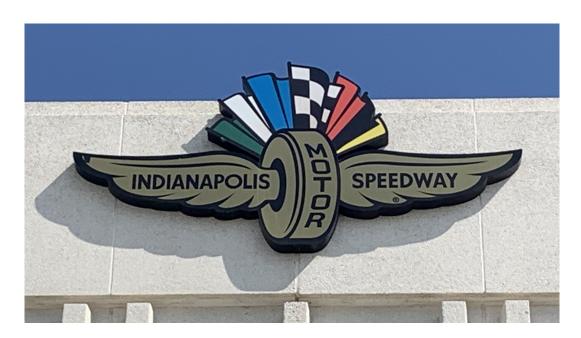
He got out of his car and walked towards her. My friend could tell the officer was not a happy camper! "What's going on here?"

"My car has a flat tire," she said calmly.

"Well, what the hell are those obscene cardboard men doing here by the road?"

She couldn't believe that the officer didn't know. So she told him, "Helloooooo, those are my emergency flashers!"

BOB & ALYCE'S VACATION PICTURES 2025



On our trip to the Midwest, Alyce and I visited the Indianapolis 500 museum in: where else but in Speedway (Indianapolis) Indiana!

The redeveloped museum is located in the infield of the famous racetrack which is owned by a race car driver, car dealer and Penske Truck Rental, Owner Roger Penske.

A collection of "500" race cars dominate this awesome museum.

Retired alumni drivers are invited to drive the vintage race car "judicially" on the racetrack prior to the start of the Big Race annually. Bob added that they spent 1.7 Million Federal Dollars to restore it!

It's a great experience for car lovers!



BOB & ALYCE'S VACATION PICTURES 2025



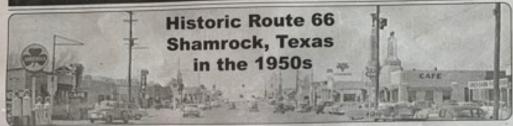
Some of the fine cars on display at the Speedway.



BOB & ALYCE'S VACATION PICTURES 2025

Get Your Kicks on Shamrock' Route 66

A little history along the route Bob & Alyce took on their trip.



hamrock lies on the fabled Route 66, which once co, Arizona and California. was recognized as the major east-west thoroughfare in the nation. "The Mother Road" is not Only in 1937 did Route 66 get paved end-to-end. found on any maps, but it holds an almost mythical *Bobby Troup wrote the song, "(Get Your Kicks on) place in U.S. history.

stretch of the road disappeared from "official" maps in 1984

 According to most sources, Route 66 is 2,448 miles ta Monica, California. long (about 4,000 kilometers). However, this is a rough approximation because the road has had many Texas. different alignments through the years.

•Route 66 was commissioned in 1926, picking up as drivable. many possible bits and pieces of existing roads.

*Route 66 crosses eight states and three time zones. Mother Road with only 13 miles. How-The states that the Mother Road runs through are Illi- ever, three historic Route 66 towns are nois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexi-

•In 1926, only 800 miles of Route 66 was paved.

Route 66" in 1946.

Here are some facts - and trivia - about Route 66. *The numerical designation 66 was officially assigned Current maps do not include old Route 66. The last to the Chicago-to-Los Angeles route in the summer of

•Route 66 starts in Chicago, Illinois, and ends in San-

•91 percent of the original Route 66 is still in use in

*85 percent of the entire road is still

. Kansas has the shortest section of the located on this short segment including Baxter Springs, Galena and Riverton.





History

n the 1930's, U.S. Highways 66 and 83 were completed through Shamrock. After these highways were completed, businesses sprouted up all around them. Shamrock's Tower Station and U-Drop Inn was one of them and is now one of Rt. 66's most popular attractions.

The building and tower were constructed by J.M. Tindall and R.C. Lewis at a cost of \$23,000. Tindall later bought Mr. Lewis' share of the building. The story goes that when Tindall decided to build the service station, he used a design originally drawn by his friend John Nunn, who picked up an old nail and scratched out the plans in the dirt. Upon the building's completion, Nunn leased part of the building for the U-Drop Inn Restaurant.

This unique building was created of brick and green glazed tile in 1936. The building and tower were designed by architect J.C. Berry of Pampa, Texas, and represented the art-deco style that was popular in the 1920s and 1930s.

Some years after Tindall's death, the Tower Station was purchased by The First National Bank of Shamrock. Charles E. Sanders and the bank's Board of Directors, J.M Tindall's son J.R. Tindall and the City of Shamrock, were successful in their effort to get the building declared a historical site. In 1999 the bank's Board of Directors voted to donate the Tower Station and U- Drop Inn to the City of Shamrock.

In 2003-2004 the building received a \$1.7 million federal grant. The building has been restored to its original glory and has been adapted into a museum, visitor's center and gift shop. We believe the Tower Station and U-Drop Inn to be one of the most interesting and eye-catching attractions on Historic Rt. 66. Last year over 20,000 visitors signed the center's registration book.

Amazingly, one third of those visitors were from foreign countries.

Today the building is owned by the City of Shamrock and is managed and operated by the Shamrock Chamber of Commerce. The Tower Station and U-Drop Inn is located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 83 and Historic Rt. 66 in Shamrock, Texas.



The likeness of Shamrock's Tower Station & U-Drop Inn was used in Disney's Cars movies and is featured at Disneyland's Carsland. In Carsland (above) the likeness is used as a souvenir shop.

ANNOUNCING THE OCTOBER 25, 2025 COPPERSTATE CAR SHOW



CMC GENERAL MEETING AUGUST 9, 2025

Ken opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ken announced that dinner after the meeting for anyone who'd like to join in would be at Dickies BBQ following the meeting. However, we did not go as we all ate way too much at the Ice Cream Social!

JoAnn gave the Treasurer's report.

Car Show updates:

Updated Flyers were handed out, Randy requests we hand them out to anyone who might be interested. Ken asks that if anyone knows a vendor who might be interested to reach out to them to be a part of the Show in October. Rent is \$40 per space for vendors.

Send your raffle items vendor information to Kristen at **CopperstateMustangClub@gmail.com** so that she can add their names to Our Sponsor listing for the Show. Keep on finding more items, please!

Registration for the Show is available from the website now, payment will also be accepted. So far, 6 registrations have been accepted.

Let Randy know if you'd like to sign up to assist during the show for setup / takedown, with the raffle table, to assist parking cars, working the Club table, selling raffle or 50/50 tickets or being a judge.

Randy will work with Michael of Chapman to get the parking lot setup for the Show, as well as placement for the Shelby Team, and the Ford Racing Team.

Dan let everyone know that Tom Martin's service was last week, and he mentioned what a great friend Tom was, as well as a great Santa through the years. He will be missed.

Think about making an overnight cruise out to San Diego for the Mustangs By The Bay at the beginning of October. Dan and JoAnn are going out there and would love some company! If you can make it let us know by the next meeting in September. Could be a great time for all!

Door Prizes (donated by Chapman Ford) were won by JoAnn, Dana, Phyllis, Dan, Kristen and Virginia. 50/50 was won by Maureen. Congrats to all!

Join us at Fat Cats on August 23, for Goofy Golf, cost is \$5:00.

Our September meet-up is at Lenny's Burgers on the 20th at 11:00.

Once the meeting concluded, Drew's Ice Cream Parlor was open! Chocolate, Strawberry and Vanilla ice cream for all! As always, Drew brought all the toppings needed, as well as all the fancy dishes. Thanks, Drew! We loved it!



MEETING PICTURES AUGUST 9, 2025





Line up for Ice Cream!

THANKS, DREW FOR DISHING UP A GREAT TREAT!

MEETING PICTURES— JULY 12, 2025







The players meet to get in a little trash talk prior to the game





While we all claimed to have very little experience with the game, JoAnne, Dan, and Bob all had Holes in One or is it Hole In Ones during the game.





Left: Our WINNER! Randy stands near his pal, the Alien OverLord who allowed him to win! Of course, he was also pretty good at the game!

To those of you who couldn't join in,



We all went over to Mod Pizza for lunch right after Alien Golf. Great food and Excellent company!



MUSTANG NEWS

In the Arizona Republic business section on Saturday August 30th there was an article about the government using mustangs as bait. They realized that it was very difficult to recruit agents for Immigration and Customs Enforcement. So they decided they should use hot cars to entice people to join. So the government purchased 2 \$60,000 Mustang GTs as an Urgent and Immediate need in the hiring campaign.

So the Federal government gets it, Mustangs are the hottest car there is!

Thanks for sending this in, Ken!

The states have known for years that Mustangs ROCK - look at how many have Mustangs in their stables of Police cars!

45 states use Mustangs for their state police or highway patrol agencies, and these cars have the SSP (Special Service Package). Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina have added the Mustang GT to their stables!

Arizona also uses Mustangs - the Department of Public Safety, Pinal County Sheriff's Office and Maricopa County Sheriff's Office all rely on the Mustang for high-performance traffic enforcement.

I've seen unmarked Police Mustangs in several other states as well—and yes, the officers driving those cars had BIG smiles on their faces!

RECALL NOTICE

Mustangs purchased for ICE recruiting

White House spends \$120K for 'urgent' need

Jamie L. LaReau Detroit Free Press USA TODAY NETWORK

DETROIT - The White House is spending more than \$120,000 to buy two Ford Mustang GT muscle cars in what it says is part of a "compelling" and "urgent" need to use the cars to entice people to join the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency.

The vehicles were part of "an immediate request by the White House, on Thursday, August 7, 2025," according to the federal justification-and-approval documents, which also explain why the contract was awarded to a Washington, DC-area Ford dealership without using the typical competitive bidding process.

"The agency's need for the services is so urgent and compelling that providing full and open competition would result in unacceptable delays and seriously hinder the Government's recruiting initiative," the documents read. It listed the price for the pair of vehicles at \$121,450.

This recall notice brought to you by our newest member, Bobby Rose—Thanks Bobby!

PROGRAM TERMS

This program will be in effect through July 12, 2026. There is no mileage limit for this program.

AFFECTED VEHICLES

Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Date Range
Mustang	2025	Flatrock	November 4, 2024 through April 14, 2025

U.S. population of affected vehicles: 729. Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

REASON FOR THIS PROGRAM

On all of the affected vehicles, black center wheel caps have been installed instead of the special 60th Anniversary red caps, which were not available at the time of production.

FROM OUR ROVING REPORTER IN ELKTON, MICHIGAN KATHY MOORE



Kathy reports that there wee only 4—FOUR Mustangs at this car show of 150 cars!

We can only assume the other Michigan Mustangs were out cruising on this

This 1975 Ford Ranchero Squire is owned by Kathy and her sister.





FROM OUR ROVING REPORTER (CONT'D) IN ELKTON, MICHIGAN KATHY MOORE



When's the last time you saw a Ford Granada? 1977



(CONT'D)



Here's an electric car from the Detroit Electric Car Company. They produced ELECTRIC cars from 1907 to 1939. They were known for their luxury and ease of operation.

BELOW: The very fancy running board for the car.

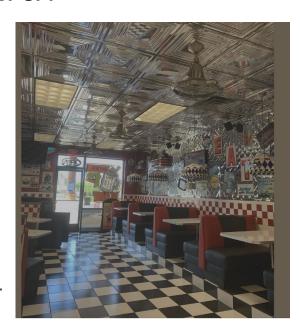
THANKS for the pictures, Kathy!



OUR NEXT MEET-UP!



We're headed to Lenny's Burgers on September 20th—meet at 11:00 am for lunch and good times! Location is at 1245 E Southern Ave in Mesa. Lenny's is known for it's 50's style restaurant and good food. Come on out & bring the family—or friends!



HELP PLEASE!

Please send your "First Rides" articles, your "Members Mustang Stories 'and any Mustang pictures to Maureen at 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 MEMBERS CORNER

No one new this month! Let's work on that!

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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

September 13th —Board Meeting—2:00pm 3950 N 89th, Scottsdale, AZ

September 13th —General Meeting—3:00pm 3950 N 89th, Scottsdale, AZ

September 14th—Rock'n Route Rendezvous Car & Bike Show, Williams, AZ

September 20th—Meet at Lenny's Burgers, 1245 E Southern Ave, Mesa at 11:00

October 4th—Pony Only Car Show in Prescott Valley, AZ

October 5th- Mustangs By The Bay, San Diego

October 11th—American Legion Post 35, 224– W Chandler Blvd

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October 18th—Trunk or Treat Car Show, Tucson, AZ

October 25th—Copperstate Mustang Car Show

November 1st—Pizza Party at Barro's 2041 N. Arizona Ave at 4:00pm. Soft drinks and pizza will be covered by the Club, anything else is on you.

November 8th—Board Meeting—2:00pm 3950 N 90th, Scottsdale AZ

November 8th—General Meeting—3:00pm 3950 N 90th, Scottsdale AZ

November 21—Westworld of Scottsdale Final Event of the Year

December 6th—Christmas Party and General Meeting at Nando's 6715 E McDonald's bring the family!

