

MUSTANG MIRROR

C O P P E R T S T A T E M U S T A N G C L U B



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Ken Martin

I happened to pick up my Mustang Times from April 2024 and found a great article in the Judges Corner. Ron Wheeler gave a great summary of the impact of the Mustang on its 60th Anniversary.

Here is a list of some key points in the article:

“Ford not only avoided succumbing to the world financial crises, federal emission controls, and a near decision to make the Mustang a front-wheel drive vehicle, but the Ford Mustang still holds the record of selling one million cars in the first 24 months of production.”

We think of our beloved Mustangs as Classic, High Performance, Eye Candy, and worth every penny we spend on them. We want to show them often and will gladly talk about our Mustangs with anyone who will listen. We can easily forget some of the brand's claims to fame. Here are a few mentioned in Ron's article.

Mustang has sold more than 10 million cars worldwide, over 200,000 overseas.

It is one of 10 American vehicles with the longest non-stop production except war & strike.

It has been featured in thousands of TV shows and films.

It has had its own postage stamp more than once.

It was introduced as a low-cost compact sports car for small families.

It became an Indy pace car and races on drag strips.

It is customized for the rich and famous.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER (cont'd)

I am adding to this list that the Mustang BEAT Ferrari at Le Mans, and in all its variations has become the focus of fans around the world whether they are members of a Mustang club or not.

Ron wrapped up his comments with the following paragraph:

The family of MCA takes pride in appreciating all the avenues chosen by everyone that best fits their own personality and level of enjoyment. Everything from continuing the tradition of using their Mustang as a daily driver to occasionally driving them to shows and special events. Some have been extremely modified either in appearance or performance while others still have been restored to a Thoroughbred classification. There is a fit or flair for everyone!

Mention your Mustang every chance you get. Invite your car loving friends to a Copperstate event or club meeting. Who knows, maybe someday we will see flying cars. I am betting one of them will be a Mustang.

ATTENTION!!!

February Activity for Copperstate Mustang Club

Our Club members have a rare opportunity to visit a private collection of 100 or so cars in Chandler. All cars are pristine, all restored or new and displayed in a spotlessly clean industrial building.

So mark your calendar for Saturday February 15th when we will meet at 9:30 AM in front of the Home Depot store which is located at 4141 S Arizona AV on the Southeast corner of Arizona Ave and Ocotillo, in Chandler. From the Home Depot we will caravan a short distance to our private showing by host Rich Fairservis.

Questions call Alyce or Bob Ancell 480-983-2510

CAR STORIES

45 YEARS OF COPPERSTATE MUSTANG CLUB

By Gary and Ruth Ann Ellsworth

I moved to Arizona with my family in June of 1979. I had started my new job in AZ a few months earlier and wanted the 3 kids to finish the school in Wisconsin.

I had previously driven a 67 Fastback from WI to AZ. No ordinary Fastback however. Tilt Wheel, A/C Disc Brakes, Both Consoles, Deluxe Interior, 8 Track Radio, Power Steering and Convenience Light Option. It was a total Wisconsin car with fiberglass repairs on almost every panel and floor pan. But it looked GOOD.

In June I went back to WI and drove my 67 "429" Fastback and Ruth Ann drove her 67 Convertible back to AZ. No A/C on either car. We took a 'short cut' through Salt River Canyon and being flatlanders found the drive exhilarating and hot.

Soon after arriving I was approached by Bill Hopkins to see if I was interested in starting an Early Mustang Club. First real meeting took place October 79 at a Bank on 44th Street and Camelback. Since then it has been Yearly Christmas parties at various locations, car shows, trips to Tucson and various other interesting sites in AZ and CA., pizza parties, lunches and breakfasts with fellow club members and their families.

A lot of the original members have passed and the Club structure has also changed. Back then, most members were restoring early cars and there was great interest in the first generation Ponies. That seems to have waned and most members now have NEWER Ponies. Which I understand because it does take a lot of dedication to drive a 50+ year old car that was built to last only 5-6 years.

When I got to car shows and see cars from the 60's that are being restored or are now restored I have great admiration for those people because I know what it takes to restore and maintain an older Mustang, but I also enjoy seeing the New, High Tech Ponies and marvel at how far the Mustang has come.

Please send your "Frist 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'.

Poll

Let's take a poll:

If you win a prize of a restored 1964 1/2 OR a 2025 Mustang, which would YOU choose?

Send your votes to GT500@twocool.net.—and add a quick sentence or two to say why. Send your responses by February 1st so I can show your comments in February's newsletter!

Check out these two options for an idea of what the differences are (in case you forgot).



1964 1/2 Mustang



2025 Mustang

A LITTLE STORY

A blonde walks into a bank in New York City and asks for the loan officer. She says she's going to Europe on business for two weeks and needs to borrow \$5,000. The bank officer says the bank will need some kind of security for the loan, so the blonde hands over the keys to a new Rolls Royce. The car is parked on the street in front of the bank; she has the title, and everything checks out.

The bank agrees to accept the car as collateral for the loan. The bank's president and its officers all enjoy a good laugh at the blonde for using a \$250,000 Rolls as collateral against a \$5,000 loan. An employee of the bank then drives the Rolls into the bank's underground garage and parks it there.

Two weeks later, the blonde returns and repays the \$5,000 and the interest, which comes to \$15.41. The loan officer says, "Miss, we are very happy to have had your business, and this transaction has worked out very nicely; but we are a little puzzled. We checked you out and found that you are a multimillionaire. What puzzles us is - why would you bother to borrow \$5,000?"

The blond replies....."Where else in New York City can I park my car for two weeks for only \$15.41 and expect it to be there when I return?"

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT NANDO'S

December 8, 2024



Good food, good friends and a few good drinks) were shared at Nando's on Sunday at our monthly meeting



CHRISTMAS PARTY AT NANDO'S (cont'd)

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WANT ADS

Hello, I'm John Logsdon, a new member.

I'm in need of original equipment for a 1988 Mustang GT:
16 spoke (15"x 7") turbine wheels. Would like set of 4, but any number is a start.

Also have **for sale** 4 new Big O Legacy 215/60R16 tires mounted on 16 inch (4 lug) 1991 - 93 Mustang 5 spoke alloy wheels complete with caps and lug nuts. Less than 500 miles. \$500 for all. Call 515-321-7930.

Phone me 515-321-7930

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NEW MEMBERS CORNER

WE NEED SOME NEW MEMBERS!!

CMC GENERAL MEETING December 8, 2024

The Copperstate Mustang Club met for meeting and the Holiday Party at Nando Mexican Grill on McDowell Rd in Mesa. President Ken opened the meeting greeting all who were there for the December meeting. He thanked everyone for helping make this a good year for the club. He made suggestions for the charity giving for the end of the year. After discussion it was decided to donate \$250 each to United Food Bank, St Mary Food Bank and Midwest Food Bank. The amount of \$1500 was to be donated to the Salvation Angel Santa for children. This was the second donation for the year to the food banks and the only donation to the Salvation Army Santa charity. After these donations, enough treasury money was left to hold the treasury for the 2025. Two good car shows for this year made the donations possible. A motion was made by JoAnn to approve these amounts. This was seconded by Roger and approved. JoAnn gave the treasury report.

New officers and board members for 2025 were announced Ken Martin, president, Randy Tinsley, vice president, JoAnn Martorano, treasurer, Alyce Ancell, secretary. Phyllis Petrone, Sgt. Of arms. Board members are Maureen Bartels, Gary Ellsworth, Joice Lange, Ethel Marques, Kristen Martin, Drew Peterson, Joe Pusateri.

Dues for next year \$25 are due in January.

Next club gathering is Saturday January 11. Meet at Wendys 17218 E Shea Fountain Hills at 10:30. Then as a group we will drive to Phils at 16852 E Parkview Fountain Hills for showing your car and getting brunch if you want.

Member of the Year chosen for all his services this was Randy Tinsley and he was given an appreciation gift. A thank you gift was also given to Ken and Kristen for their work for the 2024 year.

Everyone enjoyed the tasty food of their choice from the restaurant. Then the gift exchange began. All kinds of gifts of all kinds were a fun rewarding time for those participating. Party and meeting adjourned.

Alyce Ancell, Secretary

I'd like to add that once the meeting broke up a few of us helped Joice clear up the festive decorations she set up. (Excellent work, Joice!). We all walked out together, and that's when I noticed my keys were missing. I went back inside to check for them - but they were nowhere to be found. So I went back out to the car thinking maybe under the car? Inside the car? No - back inside Nando's to search and no surprise, no keys to be found.

I called my son to bring out the extra set of keys, which he quickly did - he's a good son! The key fob didn't work, we assumed it was the battery, so took out the hidden key - and it also didn't work. Hmmmm. We ran out to Target to get a new battery and got back to Nando's - and the car was still there! Yea! But the keys didn't unlock the car as expected.

It was then I noticed that he brought out the keys for the Mach-e instead of my REAL Mustang. Don't get riled up - the Mach-e isn't my car, or even my son's, but does belong to my daughter in law. Obviously, they wouldn't open my car. So we went back to the house and got the right

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CMC GENERAL MEETING December 8, 2024 (cont'd)

keys, and back to Nando's for the car. I was now able to drive the car home, but where were my keys???

I sent out a text to Joice to check if they had fallen into one of the decoration bags as we were cleaning up, but no luck. As I was writing a quick email to the members to ask if anyone had seen them, I noticed a text from Vicky telling me all about the GREAT present she got in the gift exchange! MY CAR KEYS! She wanted to know where to pick up the car. HAH! Silly girl!

Needless to say she is my new hero for finding the keys and NOT demanding the car! Thanks Vicky!!

Maureen

Ford Mustang News

The Ford Mustang GTD has set the fastest time of 6:57:685 by an American production car on Germany's Nurburgring track. Prior, the Dodge Viper was the fastest American production car with a time of 7:01:30 back in 2017. The Mustang placed 5th in the production sports car class overall, behind the likes of Porsche 911 GT3 and Mercedes-AMG GT.

And if you want to be the fastest in the neighborhood, it's only a mere \$325,000 to own!

If you're wondering which are the 10 Quickest Mustangs (in the quarter mile) of ALL Time, they are:

10. 2015-2017 Mustang GT - 13.0 seconds at 113 MPH
9. 2013 Boss 302 Laguna Seca - 12.7 seconds at 114 MPH
8. 2021 Mustang Mach 1 / 2019 Mustang Bullitt - 12.6 seconds at 115 MPH
7. 2024 GT/Dark Horse - 12.6 seconds at 114 MPH-
6. 2016-2020 Ford Shelby GT350R - 12.2 seconds at 119 MPH
5. 2018-2023 Mustang GT - 12.1 seconds at 120 MPH
4. 2024 Mustang GT/Dark Horse 10 speed - 12.0 seconds at 118 MPH
3. 2024 Mach-E Rally - 11.9 seconds at 113 MPH (does this one even count?)
2. 2013—2014 Shelby GT500 - 11.8 seconds at 126 MPH
1. 2020—2022 Shelby GT500 - 11.3 seconds at 132 MPH

(Mustangs Forums)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 1, 2025—HAPPY NEW YEAR!

January 4th, 11am - 2pm, Red's Car Show, 2015 N Power Rd, Mesa

January 11th Meet up Drive to Phil's in Fountain Hills. Meet at Wendys (17218 E Shea Blvd) at 10:30 to drive in.

January 12th—Board Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

January 12th—General Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

January 18-26th—Barrett Jackson Auction at WestWorld

January 18th—Rock and Roll Classic Car Show 9120 Talking Stick Way, Scottsdale (held each month)

January 18 -19th - Casa Grande Mainstreet 24th St Fair & Car & Bike Show

January 25th, 9am - 1pm - Road To Riches Car Show—226 Washington St, Chandler Az

January 31, 5pm - 9pm - Classic Car Cruise In 11649 N Cave Creek, Phoenix

February 9th—Board Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

February 9th—General Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

February 15th—Meet up to see the collection of cars of Rich Fairservis.(see [age 2 for details)

February 15th Rock and Roll Classic Car Show 9120 Talking Stick Way, Scottsdale (held each month)

February 15th—11th Annual Concours In The Hills at Fountain Park, 12925 N Saguaro Blvd

February 24th, 5pm - 9pm - Classic Car Cruise-In 11649 N Cave Creek, Phoenix

March 9th—Board Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

March 9th—General Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

March 22nd—Apache Wells Car Show 5601 Hermosa Vista Dr

April 13th—Board Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

April 13th—General Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

May 18th—Board Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.

May 18th—General Meeting 725 E Baseline Rd.