

# MUSTANG MIRROR

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

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER



By Ken Martin

I've always loved Mustangs. I heard them coming and had to stop and watch. There was drooling involved as I watched them speed by! That was as far as it went with me because I was not a car guy. I felt a Mustang was beyond my reach.

I got married and had kids. The kids grew up, moved out, got married and had kids. Mustangs were still a dream in the night.

I had a car that broke down all the time and finally we decided I had to have a different car. My wife said I should just go find a car I liked. It was 2012, I had a budget, and an OPEN DOOR! I found a 1999 6-cylinder Mustang Coupe, yellow with black interior. I called Kristen at her work. "Honey, I bought a Mustang!" She said, "You did WHAT?"

There were some issues with the car. The transmission had some problems. The brakes needed help. Kristen's brothers are all Car Guys, so one of her brothers replaced the transmission with a 1998 transmission. That caused other problems. But the car still ran, and it LOOKED REALLY COOL! Now I was getting the looks from people as I drove by!

I browsed the internet for more information about Mustangs. I started seeing links to Mustang Clubs in the Seattle area. I had never thought about a car club before. I saw pictures of people having fun at car shows, just hanging out around lots of cool cars. With the kids out of the house we had more free time. I felt it was time that we expanded our circle of friends. I told Kristen we were going to visit a Mustang Club meeting. She said, "We're going to do What?" She didn't know what to do when I started being a car guy.

We joined the Pacific Cascade Mustang Club in Kent, Washington. We went on drives, went to car shows and made lots of friends. We ended up volunteering for stuff, helping wherever we could. Eventually we were on the board. I was Club President before and during the Covid era. Now I can't imagine not being in a Mustang Club. The first thing I had to do when we moved to Chandler was find a club to join. I'm proud to be part of the Copperstate Mustang Club!

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OCTOBER 26TH

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# Why doesn't a Mustang have a Ford badge?

Some Mustangs, such as the 1983 models, do have a Ford logo, but many have only the galloping horse or Cobra badges. A brief history of Mustang explains why:

In 1964, the year of the first Mustang, Ford cars did not have the iconic blue oval badge. The extremely popular Ford Mustang was introduced with a horse logo, creating a new class of cars called "Pony cars", characterized by long hoods, powerful V8 engines and long rears. Chevrolet and Dodge soon followed Ford's lead with their own models.

Fun fact: the galloping horse logo is always facing left to distinguish it as a wild horse, not a domesticated racing horse, which faces right. The original logo has red, white and blue stripes behind it, representing the American flag.

Later, the Cobra logo came from Carroll Shelby, who used the name Cobra for his cars. When he teamed up with Ford for the Le Mans race in 1966, he signed a contract with Ford to tune their Mustangs. Later, when Ford gave him the task of constructing the GT350, many of the parts he used had the Cobra logo on them.

The Mustang has been admired all over the world since it was first introduced over 60 years ago, so the Ford logo really isn't necessary for people to know its most important brand.



## NEW MEMBERS CORNER

**BE SURE TO CONTACT AN OFFICER OR BOARD MEMBER FOR THE MANY BENEFITS OF BELONGING TO THE COPPERSTATE MUSTANG CLUB!**

# FIRST RIDES

## My Flashback to Driver's Ed

The club made a visit to the Martin Museum in June. Wandering past the wonderful cars on display I suddenly came upon a beautiful Lincoln Continental. The view of the trunk took me immediately back in time to my first behind-the-wheel drive with the Issaquah High School Driver's Training class.

Our driving instructor was the football coach. I'm not really sure why that qualified him to be the driving instructor. The training car was brand new and our group was taking it out for the first time. With a boy and two girls in the group it was not a surprise when the boy was given drive time first. He must have done just fine because I don't remember anything traumatic.

We had driven from the High School to the opposite side of our small town by a back road. Coach had him pull over, and then I was chosen to drive back through town. I successfully turned onto Main Street and started toward the beautiful downtown Issaquah Washington. We came to a traffic jam in the middle of town at the intersection with the new traffic light. This was a blinking red light that had taken the place of the 4-way stop signs. For some reason the drivers were confused by the change, and the backup was very long.

For several minutes I followed a beautiful Lincoln Continental down Main Street. Go - Stop. Go - Stop. Go - Stop. Then suddenly my foot slipped off the brake and hit the gas! I looked up just in time to see the front of the brand new driver's Ed car run into the beautiful Lincoln Continental's trunk!

Apparently the auto dealership failed to connect the instructor's brake, so when he quickly tried to stop the car the brake pedal just dangled loosely on the floor doing nothing.

After the police arrived and all the paperwork was completed, Coach drove us back to school where we caught the activity bus that took us home. When I came in the door of the house my mom said, "How was your drive? Did you hit a car?" You should have seen her face when I said Yes.

And whenever Coach saw me at school he went to the other side of the hallway and just walked by shaking his head.

Kristen Martin



## CMC GENERAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Ken with a pledge of allegiance to the flag. Those attending were Ken, Kristen, Maureen, Phyllis, Joyce, JoAnn and Gary.

Reviewed Car show in October. Advised club members still waiting for LHM to get back to us about the show. Reminded everyone to get Door Prizes for the show.

Treasury report was given.

A guest, John Nagren stopped in. He has a 2000 Mustang convertible. John was given a membership form and form for the show in October.

Dan M told a story about the drive with Mustangs Across America and trouble with 1965 Fastback on the trip. It was a great story including fire coming out of the exhaust! Hopefully one day he will send it in to be published in the newsletter! HINT HINT!!!

Advised of luncheon Saturday September 14 at 11:30 at Famous 66 1026 S Gilbert Rd, Gilbert. Come join club members and have a good time.

Dan and JoAnn will bring refreshments to the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

JoAnn Martorano, Treasurer

### FORD DOUBLES DOWN ON BUILDING V8

Ford is once again rubbing salt on GM enthusiasts' Camaro-shaped wound. During the media launch for the Australian-spec, seventh-generation S650 Mustang, Ford Mustang global chief engineer Laurie Transom confirmed that the Blue Oval brand would continue to offer V8-powered Mustangs with a manual transmission as long as regulations and demand would allow. "Ford CEO Jim Farley has mentioned, and we agree, that we're doubling down on our V8", Transom told media, per Australian outlet Drive. "As long as we can possibly sell our V8, we're going to."

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

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'.

## ANOTHER LITTLE STORY

On a trip to America, Pope Francis lands in New York City and gets picked up by a white stretch limousine. "You know," the Pontiff says, "I hardly ever get to drive anymore. Any chance I could take the wheel?"

The driver hems and haws for a minute but he's supposed to see to the Pope's every want and need. "Yeah, ok," the driver says. "I can't really say no to the Pope."

The Pope pulls away from the curb and buries the gas pedal right to the floor mat. He's darting in and out of city traffic and drifting the limo around corners.

A motorcycle cop sees the limo coming and pulls it over. The driver's window slides silently into the door and the cop is standing face to face with the Pope. The officer walks to his bike and calls the Chief.

The cop says "I pulled over this guy for driving way over the speed limit, but it's somebody REALLY important."

"Important like the mayor?" the Chief asks.

"Nope," the cop says. "More important than that."

"Important like the governor?" says the Chief.

"Way more important than that," says the cop.

"Like the president?" the Chief asks.

"Much more important."

"Well, who's more important than the president?" asks the Chief.

"I don't know," says the cop, "but the Pope is driving him."





## Member Meet-up September 14, 2024 Famous 66 in Gilbert



Joe and his 1966 Mustang joined us for lunch on Saturday. He's owned the car 59 years!



**MONSOON MADNESS FALL CAR SHOW**  
 Presented by the Copperstate Mustang Club  
ALL MAKES AND MODELS WELCOME

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024  
 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

DESERT SPRINGS CHURCH  
 19620 S. McQUEEN ROAD  
 CHANDLER, AZ 85286

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** 1<sup>ST</sup> VEHICLE \$30, 2<sup>ND</sup> / 3<sup>RD</sup> VEHICLES \$25 EACH

\*\* ONLINE completed by October 16, 2024, at [Copperstatemustangclub.com](http://Copperstatemustangclub.com)

\*\* BY MAIL postmarked by October 16, 2024 with checks payable to Copperstate Mustang Club, P.O. Box 2218, Mesa, AZ 85214

**DAY OF SHOW REGISTRATION** BEGINS AT 8:00 A.M. 1<sup>st</sup> vehicle \$35, 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> vehicles \$25 each

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

VEHICLE #1 YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ MAKE: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_

VEHICLE #2 YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ MAKE: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_

VEHICLE #3 YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ MAKE: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL REGISTRATION FEES PAID: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB AFFILIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

PEOPLE'S CHOICE CLASSES: (Please indicate the vehicle # 1, 2, or 3 in the corresponding class or classes below.)

**MUSTANGS:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1964 1/2 - 1966 OPEN
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1964 1/2 - 1966 CLOSED
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1967 - 1968 OPEN
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1967 - 1968 CLOSED
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1969 - 1970 OPEN
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1969 - 1970 CLOSED
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1971 - 1973 OPEN
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1971 - 1973 CLOSED
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1974 - 1978 ALL
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1979 - 1993 OPEN
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1979 - 1993 CLOSED
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1994 - 2004 OPEN
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1994 - 2004 CLOSED
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2005 - 2014 OPEN
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2005 - 2014 CLOSED
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2015 - PRESENT OPEN
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2015 - PRESENT CLOSED

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1900 - 1974 ALL FORD MAKES / MODELS
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1900 - 1974 ALL CHEVY MAKES / MODELS
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1900 - 1974 ALL CHRYSLER MAKES / MODELS
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1900 - 1974 ALL OTHER MAKES / MODELS
- \_\_\_\_\_ AMC ALL YEARS
- \_\_\_\_\_ CHEVY CAMARO / FIREBIRD 1967 - PRESENT
- \_\_\_\_\_ CORVETTE 1953 - PRESENT
- \_\_\_\_\_ COUGAR ALL YEARS
- \_\_\_\_\_ FOREIGN ALL YEARS
- \_\_\_\_\_ MOPAR 1963 - PRESENT
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPECIAL / SURVIVOR ALL YEARS
- \_\_\_\_\_ STREET RODS ALL YEARS
- \_\_\_\_\_ THUNDERBIRD ALL YEARS
- \_\_\_\_\_ TRUCK (STOCK) ALL YEARS
- \_\_\_\_\_ TRUCK ( MODIFIED) ALL YEARS
- \_\_\_\_\_ WORK IN PROGRESS ALL YEARS

\_\_\_\_\_ VENDOR SPACE - \$40 EACH NUMBER OF SPACES NEEDED: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the name and nature of the business operating in a Vendor space: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Classes may be consolidated if an inadequate number of vehicles pre-register in a specific class. The Show Chairman shall be the arbitrator of any classification dispute.

**DISCLAIMER:** Participant agrees not to hold the Copperstate Mustang Club, Desert Springs Church, Larry H. Miller Ford, or any other sponsor responsible for any damages, injuries, or losses that occur.

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 Signature

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 Date



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Remember to contact your favorite haunts to become a car show sponsor! Let them know we will include them in our newsletter, on our website as well as during the Monsoon Madness show!



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**October 4th - East Valley Cruisers Friday Cruise-In** 10715 E Apache Trail Apache Junction

**October 11th - Barrett-Jackson Car Show** at 3:00pm –7:30pm At Westwood of Scottsdale  
16601 N Pima Rd.

**October 13th - Monthly Board Meeting** at 1:00p**October 13th - Monthly General Meeting** at 2:00pm

**October 19th — Mesa Cars & Coffee** kick-off at 7:00 to 10:00am at 1840 S Val Vista Dr, Mesa

**October 26th - Monsoon Madness Car Show!** 9:00am to 1:00pm

**October 31st — Happy Halloween!**

**November 9th—Covenant Hot Rod's 9th Annual Southwest Regional Car Show** in Downtown  
Ocotillo, 2577 W Queen Creek Rd

**November 9th - Pizza Party** at Burro's 2041 N. Arizona Ave at 4:30pm. Soft drinks and pizza will be covered by the Club, anything else is on you.

**November 10th—Monthly Board Meeting** at 1:00 pm

**November 10th - Monthly General Meeting** at 2:00pm

**November 16th — Mesa Cars & Coffee** kick-off at 7:00 to 10:00am at 1840 S Val Vista Dr, Mesa

**December 8th - Christmas Party** held at Nando's at 6715 E McDowell Rd.

**August 28-30th, 2026 - Mustang Club of America 50th Birthday Celebration** In Braselton, GA.

