# **UPCOMING EVENTS IN DETAIL:**

# **RVMC Monthly Meeting**

February 2009

Our next monthly meeting is set for Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Please arrive earlier by 6:30 if you wish to order food.



# February 17th

**NOTE:** Our March meeting will take place a day earlier on Monday, March 16th instead of Tuesday which is St. Patrick's Day.

# **February 8, RVMC Bowling at Hill Top Lanes, Roanoke, VA** at 1pm. Our club is trying to get an approximate head count on how many will be show. Please let us know how many can make it. We hope to see you there. Contact John or Suzanne 540-598-8375



# February 28, Ft. Mill, SC

SCMC/Pro-Dyno Cruise In at Pro-Dyno Peformance. This event is free to anyone who wants to come and enjoy a day with fellow Mustang and Ford enthusiasts. Discounts on dyno pulls. For more information, call Tony Sorrentino at 803.371.0725 or email tony@svtcobraclub.com or visit the website at http://www.svtcobraclub.com.

March 6-8, Roanoke, VA; MDA Car Show at the Roanoke Civic Center. Two full floors of indoor displays. See you in Car Club Alley!! Thank you to member Bob Leary for allowing us to showcase his Mustang! For more information, see www.mdacarshow.com or email rvccsc@mdacarshow.com.



"Another Dam Car Show" at Hoover Dam presented by the Mustang Club of Las Vegas. This is an all-make and model show. Visit www.mustangsoflv.org for updated information.

# April 12, RVMC Spring Cruise / Dinner at Edelweiss German Restaurant, near Staunton, VA

Edelweiss German Restaurant located just before Staunton, VA on Route 11 near I-81 exit 213. Meet at Hardees at Troutville on Route 11 at 1:45 pm to cruise. Dinner reservations at 4:00 pm. Dinner prices: \$14-20. Distance from meeting place about 70 miles. Restaurant web address: www. edelweissrestaurantva.com. Any questions and to rsvp contact Linda Gardner at linharathome@verizon.net or 989-3803.

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# April 16-19, Birmingham, AL

Ford Motor Company and MCA presents the 45th Anniversary of the Mustang at Barber Motorsports Park. Registration fees vary depending upon judging (\$60) or Participant Display (\$35). Lots of Vendors. For more information, visit the website at http://www.mustangevents.org or see the notices in Mustang Times.

# April 26, Lexington, SC

31st Annual Mustang and Ford Show hosted by the Central South Carolina Mustang Club at Ben Satcher Ford. For more information, call Steve Powell at 803-782-5059 or email Tbirdpow@aol.com, or Steve Webster at 803-781-4793 or email gtpuller0203@att.net, or visit the website at http://www.centralscmustangclub.com.

#### May 2, 2009; RVMC CAR SHOW

Tanglewood Mall, Roanoke, VA www.roanokevalleymustangclub.com For more information, call Butch Cook at 540-387-1979 or email myred64stang@aol.com



## June 5-7, Kershaw, SC

Carolina Regional Mustang Club presents their annual Performance Driving School at Carolina Motorsports Park. For more information, call Karen Demers at 704.599.0324 or email grb-brgrn@aol.com or visit the website at http://www.ponytales.org.

# June 5-7, Indianapolis, IN

Mustang Club of Indianapolis presents an MCA National Show at O'Reilly Raceway Park. See www.mustang.org or call Bob Coulston at 317-727-8111; email bcoul@sbcglobal.net; call Bill Birch at 317-833-9583; or visit the club website at http://www.indymustangclub.com.

June 26-27, Roanoke, VA; Star City Motor
Madness Cruise and Car Show to benefit the
Virginia Museum of Transportation. Once again,
RVMC will be running the Civic Mall Location. If you
are able to help please contact John Beels at 540-598-8375. We
will need assistance with parking pass sales and registration. For
more event information and registration go to www.starcitymo-

tormadness.com. Pre-registration ends June 5. Applications will be available soon at www.starcitymotormadness.com. Information can also be found by calling the museum at (540) 342-5760.

# July 3-5, Raleigh, NC

Heart of Carolina Mustang Club presents American Stampede, an MCA National Show, at NC State Fairrounds. For more information, call Edward (Chip) Hill 919.824.7227; email enhilljr@acm.org; call Steve Fitzpatrick at 919.337.2816; email dsfitz@earthlink.net, or visit http://www.hcmcnationalshow.com.

# July 20-26, Myrtle Beach, SC

Myrtle Beach Mustang Week. SVTOA will help hosting the "Experience IV Nationals". For more information, see www. mustangweek.com. There will be more details as the event gets closer. You may also contact President/Founder Rodney Melton at (919) 894-3592 or Rodney@mustangweek.com.

# August 27-30, San Fernando Valley, CA

Western United States MCA National Show at Airtel Plaza Hotel hosted by the Mustang Owners Club of California. For more information, call Craig Cunningham at 818-758-1826 or email mcashow@mustangownersofca.org, or Roger Lockie at 626-390-8970 or visit the website at http://mustangownersofca.org.

For more RVMC Events of interest please visit our website at www.roanokevalleymustangclub.com and look through the Events section for the latest!



Well, I made it through my first meeting as club president. Hopefully, you think it went well too. This month's column is about the "pay-it-forward" restoration of a 1966 Mustang Convertible and our club's possible involvement.

In our last meeting, we kicked around the idea a little. We have until March 1st to get our request for consideration in to MCA. This project is not one to be taken lightly. It will be a huge commitment for the club, and must be completed within 6 months! No Excuses!!

The fully restored Mustang will be displayed at the Scott Drake booth at the 2009 SEMA show in Las Vegas. It will then be auctioned off with proceeds to benefit the charity of the winning MCA club's choice. For more information visit www.scottdrake. net or www.mustang.org. Also in this newsletter there are some photos from the website of Scott Drake of the Mustang to be restored. Please give me your feedback at low62chevy@hotmail. com or call me at 540-598-8375.

This brings me to my last item. It has been brought to my attention that some club members think that my e-mail address "just ain't right." I am therefore soliciting suggestions for a new e-mail address.

Please send me your ideas! One hint: I am building a street & strip 1967 Mustang coupe with a poked & stroked 460 with C6 transmission. Let's get creative!



Sincerely, John Beels (540) 598-8375

email: low62chevy@hotmail.com

# Minutes of the RVMC Meeting January 20, 2009 at Corned Beef & Co.

# **Important Topics:**

- -The meeting was called to order by president John Beels. There were 22 members in attendance.
- -John is getting a new email due to the remarks made about his current one, if anyone has any suggestions please contact John Beels, the new RVMC president.

#### -Get more MEMBERS!

- Looking to get more members in the local club, so we have printed up formal invitations and you can pick these up from Butch Cook at the next meeting.
- Also trying to get more people to join the Mustang Club of America, we would like to receive the President's Award from MCA. We have received it in the past and were 1 of 14 local clubs in the MCA to receive it. We would like to have that honor again.
- -Monthly Activities Committee, instead of having a couple of people trying to come up with activities for the club to do every month, we decided for a person to pick a month and come up with an activity for the club to do. Many of the months have already been picked however there are a few that haven't so if interested in planning a little cruise or anything else (doesn't have to be fancy or a big shebang)
- **-Points system**, we are trying to establish a point system so come the big day in May (the car show) Members will be able to enter their car then in May based upon their points. Nothing has been set in stone yet so if you have any suggestions, come to the meetings or contact the president with your ideas.
- **-MCA Judging,** we have several members that are interested in learning how to judge a car show like at a MCA event. If you are interested in this contact Sherman Jones with your thoughts.

# Treasurer's Report:

-After withdraws to cover the cost of doing newsletters and the boat rental for the summer party the balance is at \$3,072.78. A couple of outstanding items are: Sponsorship to SCMM, Christmas parade, Annual dues deposit, and the MDA car show.

## **MDA Car Show:**

-We have a booth at the MDA Car Show in the Car Club Alley, we need members or anyone interested in participating to come to the booth and talk to people and let them know that there is a mustang club locally and give them information about what we do. If interested contact Suzanne Beels. The show is March 6,7,8, 2009.

# **RVMC Car Show:**

-We will be holding a meeting February 17, 2009 at Cornbeef and Company at 6 pm. Before the club meeting to discuss more

details of the show.

## **Scott Drake Car Project:**

-There is an opportunity to take a classic 60's model mustang convertible and \$10,000 in parts and redo the car. There are some stipulations to the project and it will be showed at the next SEMA Show in Las Vegas. If you would like to help with this project please let us know. It is going to take a lot of hands and we need to know who can and can't help us before we think about making a commitment.

These minutes were compiled by Sherman Jones, RVMC Club Secretary.

## OTHER CLUB NEWS...

# RVMC EXTENDS OUR CONDOLENCES TO A CLUB MEMBER'S RECENT LOSS OF HIS BELOVED WIFE

The club just recently learned of the passing of Gary LaShier's wife, Kathy. We share in Gary's sorrow at losing someone so un-



expectedly. Gary, just know that your fellow club members have you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.

#### **CONGRATS...**

To RVMC members, Jon & Lisa Moles, for having their license plates (NOSTPNY and HER SNAK) featured in the January 2009 Mustang Times, the official publication of the Mustang Club of America!

## 2010 SHELBY GT500 DETAILS RELEASED

Despite all the public support for fuel economy, it is likely that high-performance vehicles like the 2010 Shelby Mustangs will continue to be in high demand. According to details released from Ford this past month "The 2010 Shelby GT500 is powered by a supercharged and intercooled 5.4-liter dual overhead cam V-8 engine expected to produce 540 horsepower and 510 foot-pounds of torque. The redline is 6,250 rpm. The car's aluminum power dome hood not only adds to the Shelby's appearance, it helps cool the engine through a hood extractor." To see more information on and pictures of the Shelby GT500, see http://www.autoblog.com/2009/01/11/detroit-2009-the-shelby-gt500-arrives/.

## MUSTANG AND FORD NEWS BRIEFS

- Ford has reported a \$5.9 billion loss for the last quarter of 2008 and burned through \$5.5 billion of cash. They still do not plan to ask for federal bailout money. They are considering selling Volvo.
- Vehicle sales are at a 26-year low nationwide.
- If you are interested in purchasing a Mercury Milan or Ford Fusion hybrid, you can get a \$3,400 tax credit if you purchase by March 31. After that date through September 30, you will be eligible for \$1,700 tax credit and then \$850 from October 1 through March 31, 2010. The tax credit has to do with the number of vehicles sold. These vehicles will get 41 mpg city and 36 mpg highway.
- Ford announced its dual-clutch PowerShift six-speed transmissions are planned to be available in all Ford small cars by 2010

and in all vehicles by 2013.

- The National Automotive Dealers Association (NADA) say auto sales will turn around when the housing market starts to turn around. Consumer confidence in housing also affects auto purchase sales. States where home values have plummeted also have the worst auto sales.
- The October 2008 Barrett-Jackson inaugural auction in Las Vegas saw total sales of \$29 million. Cars in the top 10 of sales included a '69 Boss 429 at \$214,500 and a '70 Boss 429 at \$205,700.

# The following is from the www.ScottDrake.net website:

PONY UP FOR CHARITY.... PAY IT FORWARD WITH A '66 PROJECT MUSTANG AND \$10,000 IN FREE PARTS FROM SCOTT DRAKE ENTERPRISES



In celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Drake Automotive Group and the 45th anniversary of the Ford Mustang, Scott Drake and the Mustang Club of America are giving MCA clubs across the country a chance to "pay it forward" with the ultimate Mustang makeover.

One lucky MCA club will start with a 1966 Ford Mustang convertible project car (pictured below) and \$10,000 in parts donated by Scott Drake. The club will finish with a fully restored Mustang that will be displayed in the Scott Drake booth during the 2009 SEMA show and later be sold at auction. Proceeds from the sale of the car will benefit the charity selected by the winning MCA club - giving them an opportunity to "pay it forward".

Below are some beauty shots of the 1966 Ford Mustang convertible project car in it's current state. Needless to say, she needs a little work



# Virginia Car Hobbyist Legislative Alert HB2570 - UPDATE!!

Hello All.

For those of you who remember, as car hobbyists we worked very hard for several years to enact legislation that would allow us to keep a minimum of two unregistered/inoperable vehicles outdoors on private property as long as they were stored out of public view. Localities had become restrictive to the point of endangering the automotive hobby, without regard to personal property rights or the special needs of our hobby such as the keeping of a donor vehicle to aid restoration of a project. We secured this legislation in a fair and responsible manner with requirments that the vehicles be kept out of ordinary public view, and be shielded from view by something other than simple tarps or car covers.

At present, House Bill 2570 has been introduced by Mamye BaCote of Newport News which would change the current requirement that two vehicles be allowed to only allow one vehicle in the City of Newport News. As most of you know, if this Bill passes, every locality will seek to do the same next year or even elliminate the requirement to allow for any hobby vehicles. I have copied the Bill below for your perusal as well as the names of the Delegates who sit on the Cities and Towns Committee. I have also included a link to the phone numbers of the Delegates. Please look them up and ask them to vote against HB2570. Be polite as always and explain the need in our hobby for donor cars when new body parts etc are not available. It may not hurt to reiterate that this is a personal property rights issue as well, and the vehicles are to be stored out of public view.

Sorry I cant expand on this anymore at this time, but I am short on time today. Feel free to write with any questions regarding items I may have missed.

Thanks,

Tom Cox, President Southwest Virginia Car Council VP Membership AACA

# Roanoke Valley Mustang Club c/o Linda Lancaster 1810 Spruce St., Apt. 103 Martinsville, VA 24112

See you on the 17th at:



#### **ITEMS 4-SALE BY OWNER**

- 1989 Coupe 5.0 Automatic W/ OD; 4.10 gears, otherwise stock Weld Wheels 15X 3 1/2 front 15X8 rear original yellow color with tan interior \$5,500. OBO.

  Call Mike for more info 540-589-2287
  - 1967 Ford Mustang "T" code; 200ci, 6 cyl engine complete carb to pan, fan to flywheel running when removed approx 131k miles; \$400. OBO.

    Call John Beels 540-598-8375
  - 1967 Ford Mustang "T" code; C4 3spd, Automatic trans complete. Shifted good when removed. \$250 OBO. Call John Beels 540-598-8375



# **Mustang Monthly Trivia**

Mustangs have won it all!
In the early days the hotly contested
Trans-Am Manufacturer's Championship
was won 3 separate times by a Mustang.

Can you name the years?

Answer: 1966, 1967, 1970