

From the Horse's Mouth

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Newsletter for the

Sacramento Area Mustang Club

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Upcoming events for April:

Mustangs Plus April Car Show

Saturday, April 5th

2353 N. Wilson Way, Stockton, CA



Antenna Flags are now available - Contact Larry at 916-348-3673



Have you paid your dues for 2014?



Where will you be when the party begins?



THIS IS IT!
50th Mustang Birthday Celebration
April 16th through 20th
(See page 5 for more information)

The new website address is:
"www.sacramentomustangclub.org"

Our website is back, not quite 100%, but up and working. I have some pages yet to fix. I will keep you updated. Thank you for your patience.

Larry

Calendar of Upcoming Events:

April 2014

Saturday, 4/5 - Mustangs Plus Car Show, Stockton

Wednesday, 4/9 - Board Meeting CANCELLED

April 16th thru 19th - 50th Mustang Birthday Celebration - Las Vegas & Charlotte, No. Carolina

Wednesday, 4/23 - General Meeting at IHOP

Saturday, 4/26 - Sacramento Mustang's Car Show

Past Events:

March 2014

Sunday, 3/9 - Road trip Big Horn Restaurant

Wednesday, 3/12 - Board Meeting

Wednesday, 3/19 - General Meeting at IHOP

Sunday, 3/23 - SAMC Swap Meet at JT's Mustang & Performance

May 2014

Wednesday, 5/14 - Board Meeting at TBA

Saturday, 5/17 - Biggest Little Car Show in Suisun City by the Golden Hills Mustang Club

Sunday, 5/18 - Fords & Mustangs Race at Sacramento Raceway

Wednesday, 5/21 - General Meeting at IHOP

Saturday, 5/31 - Car Show & Vintage Plane Display at the Ione Airport by the Rotary Club of Ione

June 2014

Saturday, 6/21 - Mustangs & Fords at the Marriott Sponsored by the Sacramento Area Mustang Club - Event Chairman, David Slayton - 916-606-4636

Sunday, 6/29 - Breakfast at Jackson Rancheria - George Rea is the organizer

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Important Club Info:

SAMC Meeting information:

Board Meeting: No Board Meeting in April - Most of us will be at 50th Birthday Celebration in Las Vegas

General Meeting: 4th Wednesday of the April - 7:00 pm at IHOP, Sunrise Blvd. & Coloma, Rancho Cordova

Newsletter Info:

For questions regarding the newsletter, submissions of articles or general newsletter items, please contact Larry at fordlovers@gmail.com.

The newsletter is distributed by the 5th of the month via email, to all members current with dues and good standing with the Club.

Mustangs & Fords at the Marriott

Saturday, June 21, 2014



The *18th Annual Mustangs & Fords at the Marriott* will soon be upon us. We only have two months to get sponsors for the trophies, raffles prizes, goodie bag items, the flyers out, and all the other things it takes to put this event. The success of the show will depend on how well we work as a club.

We need all members to get out and talk to businesses or individuals to sponsor one of the trophy categories. There are only 20 left to choose from and for only \$30.00 for two trophies, it's a great deal. If you cannot secure a trophy sponsorship, then a raffle prize or goodie bag material will be helpful.

Updated entry forms are available along with letters of introduction and letters containing our tax exempt number. Contact David Slayton by email at davidslayton72@yahoo.com and he will send you a copy that you can download and print.

So to recap, the Club needs you to get involved. Don't wait until the day of show, arrive and say, "What can I do to help?" Although that will be important, today is when the hard work is done.



Larry Steuckrath, President, Sacramento Area Mustang Club
David Slayton, 2014 Show Chairman

DELTA CRUISE AND POKER RUN

By John Davenport

Sunday, March 9th, 25 Club members met up for a fun day touring the Delta area. We left Sacramento under partly cloudy skies and made it through the whole day with NO rain. After cruising about 30 miles downstream, with a side trip down Randal Island Rd., we found the river had plenty of water and as smooth as glass.



We arrived in Isleton at approx 11:30 and were greeted by Chuck Hasz, the local Historian. Chuck took us for an extensive walking tour of the Old Town Isleton, telling of the Chinese and Japanese heritage and influence

on the local architecture. The Tong building is under renovation, but Chuck opened the front of the building to show how the building is being straightened out, as it was leaning over 23" and about to topple. This building will be the new Museum and community meeting place.

We toured many restaurants and small shops. One shop had a craftsperson who makes unusual things for Nehmen Marcus and Nordstrom's. We discovered a part Isleton that most of us had no idea existed. Our last stop in Isleton was Pete's Steak House, a grand old place with a beautiful dining room and bar area, as well as a huge historical banquet room with a terrace that overlooked the city and the river. We all thanked Chuck for his hospitality and wonderful tour and we were off downstream to Rio Vista.

We arrived at Foster's Bighorn in Rio Vista at 1:00 and were greeted by Carolyn, who had the private dining room all set up ready to go on our arrival. Lots of Taxidermy going on here from King crab to deer, elk and elephant.

We had given out playing cards at various stops along the way and now was the moment of truth of WHO had the best Poker Hands. First was the best of the ladies hands which turned out to be, drum roll, Debbie Duran with three 4's. The best Poker Hand for the men was, drum roll, Wayne Steving with three 7's. Both received \$25 ARCO gas cards. Congratulations to you both.

We left the Bighorn and took the roads less traveled and our first adventure was crossing Cache Slough on the Real McCoy Ferry. The new Ferry runs every 20 minutes and left us split up for 20 minutes, as we had 11 cars and the ferry carries 8, thanks for the good service Cal Trans. We proceeded up steamboat slue and crossed steamboat slue on the Hog Back ferry. They run this ferry on demand.

We proceeded on back roads to the town (?) of Ryde and we were back on the Sacramento River. We continued up stream to Walnut Grove where we stopped at Mel's Mocha and Ice Cream for desert, YUUUUM! Here we said our good by's and headed upstream to home.

And they lived happily ever after.

THE END

(For more pictures of the adventure go to: www.photos.sacramentomustangclub.org)

MUSTANG 50TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

April 16th-20th, 2014



Charlotte Motor Speedway



Las Vegas Motor Speedway



Map of the various Pony Drives

For more information about the 50th: <http://www.mustang50thbirthdaycelebration.com/>

Well time is up for all you procastinaters! Fifteen members at last count, have made the commitment to be a part of the 50th Mustang Birthday Celebration at either Las Vegas or Charlotte. I am looking forward to all the new friends we will make, the Mustangs we will see, and the adventure that the drive there and back has in store. And oh yes, did I mention we are going to Las Vegas? Besides, what happens in Vegas...

The following are results from the *Event Planning Meeting*, they are *Club events* for 2014. Most of the Club event dates were chosen by the “best date available”. All of these events, promoted as *Club events*, are subject to change or modification.

April

5th Mustangs Plus Car Show - Stockton

16-20 50th Mustang Birthday Celebration
in Las Vegas & Charlotte

26th Sacramento Mustang Car Show

May

17th Biggest Little Car Show - in Suisun,
by the Golden Hills Mustang Club

18th Mustangs & Fords @ Sac Raceway

31st Show n Shine at the Eagle's Nest Air-
port in Ione by the Rotary Club

June

21st Mustang & Fords at the Marriott by the
Sacramento Area Mustang Club

29th Breakfast at Jackson Rancheria

July

4th Al's Cruise from Roseville to Auburn

20th Breakfast at the VFW in Georgetown

26th Car Display at the State Fair

August

17th Breakfast & Blackberries at Larry &
Katie's house in Auburn

September

TBA SAMC Picnic

TBA All Mustang Club Picnic

October

12th Trip to the Charles Schultz Museum in
Santa Rosa

November

TBA C.A.M. Trim-a-Tree Pot Luck

December

13th SAMC Christmas Dinner (tentative)

Other Upcoming Car Shows and Events:

From Vic Bustabade (via Facebook)

SAMC Members - Let's celebrate the Mustang's 50th to the max. Here's some shows being held by Nor Cal area clubs that we should attend.

Mustangs Plus on 4/5 in Stockton, Diablo Valley Mustang Assn in Brentwood on 5/3, Golden Hills Mustang Club in Suisun on 5/17, Reno Mustang Car Club in Reno on 6/6-8, our own Sacramento Area Mustang Club - Mustangs & Fords at Marriott in Rancho Cordova on 6/21 and Bay Area Mustang Assn in Danville on 6/29. I'm all signed up. Mark your calendars, sign up and let's get going!!



The First SAMC Swap Meet Sunday, March 23, 2014

at

JT's Mustang & Performance

By Larry Steuckrath



So I've wanted to organize a swap meet for the Club for several years now and it finally came to life. Again, the weather was on our side, perfect for the swap meet. We did not charge for seller spaces, hoping that we would make the event more inviting. I was pleasantly surprised with the turn-out, about 15 - 16 sellers (most of which were Club members), a fair amount of buyers, and just the right amount non-buying lookers. We did fill the parking lot with thousands of dollars worth of parts (which sold for tens of dollars).

We planned to sell coffee & donuts in the morning, drinks for the thirsty during the day, and then sandwiches at lunch time, as a fund raiser for the Club. As it happens, plans don't always go as designed. The donuts were late because, although I was told they would be ready at Safeway at 6:00 am. They did not have them done until after 7:00. I over bought on sodas and water, but they will be okay in the refrigerator. The real disappointment were the sandwich sales. Not to take anything away from the sandwiches themselves, prepared by daughter #4 Lauryn, I hoped more attendees would partake. Again, saved by the Club members, most of them bought the lunch package - sandwich, chips & a drink. Lauryn did an excellent job on the lunch.

Everyone chipped into help with the setup and takedown, most of which involved unloading and re-loading my treasures off and then back onto my trailer. It was very appreciated. And I could not put one these events on without the help of my understanding wife Katye, and my son Kyle, who somehow almost always get roped into helping. Thank you everyone.

One added note; as usual, it was great to see everyone enjoying the opportunity to talk and get know one another better, it is after all what makes this the *Sacramento Area Mustang Club*.



The 1965 GT-350 Shelby Mustang

By Larry Steuckrath



The 1965 GT-350 has got to be the most coveted vehicle for Ford lovers, especially for us who were around in 60's when the car was new. Every Ford performance guy wanted one. And growing up in Southern California, only 8 miles from American Shelby, we used to go there just to hang out and look the cars, and of course, buy some Cobra or Shelby parts. Oh those were the days - cruising Hawthorne Boulevard, Santa Monica Beach, or Colorado Boulevard - all made famous in the songs of the day.

But I digress, let me stay focused (although those WERE the good-old-days). I want to talk about the *Real* GT-350, which was not very user friendly. It was, after all, a race car with street trim. Most people who bought them for street use, complained about most every aspect of the car, and remember who these buyers were mid-aged thrill seekers, expecting something else and at a base price of \$4547.00, they were expensive for the day. The car rode very rough thanks to HD Koni shocks; it had no back seat, mainly because the "over-ride" traction bars interred the interior over the rear springs; it had 3:89 gears with a Detroit Locker differential, which had a very rough & noisy engagement on every corner; the brakes were designed to work under race conditions, which meant they needed to be heated up to work and crashes & close calls were frequent.

There were 561 1965 GT-350s built, all were Wimbledon White with black interior. They had 271 HP, 289, which had noisy solid lifters. Shelby added an aluminum hi-rise intake, Holley carb, and headers to bring the horsepower to 306. The glass pack exhaust exited in front of the rear tires. A manual, quick ratio steering box made parking a challenge - but who cares - after all, your driving a *Real* GT-350. Speaking of challenges - take a 2015 GT-350, remove the power steering, anti-lock power brakes, air conditioning, power windows, stereo, air bags, overdrive transmission - then add; 3:89 gears, side exhaust, 7.75 X 15 bias ply tires and let's go for cruise.



Sacramento Area Mustang Club

Membership Application



Please fill out all the blanks that apply

Personal Information:

Name 1: _____ DOB: _____ \$25 _____
Name 2: _____ DOB: _____ \$10 _____
Name 3: _____ DOB: _____ \$10 _____
Order Club Logo Name Badge (Optional) _____ @ \$8.50 each
(Name used above will be name on badge) Total Enclosed _____

Can we distribute your contact information to other club members for club use?

Email _____ Yes _____ No Phone # _____ Yes _____ No Address _____ Yes _____ No

Can we Email the newsletter every month instead of using USPS? _____ Yes _____ No

Is this application a Renewal? _____ Yes _____ No

Are you a member of the Mustang Club of America? _____ Yes _____ No MCA # _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Your reasons for joining SAMC—please rank in order of importance with 1 being most important.

_____ Car Shows _____ Discounts _____ Assistance/Advice _____ Technical Info

_____ Social Events _____ Driving Events _____ Networking _____ Other

Car information:

Car 1:

Year _____ Body Style _____ Color _____

Engine _____ Special Info _____

Car 2:

Year _____ Body Style _____ Color _____

Engine _____ Special Info _____

I hereby agree to abide by all club by-laws & guidelines (to have fun). If applicant is under 18, signature of legal guardian must accompany application. Memberships are valid for one calendar year (January through December). If joining by November 15th & December 31st of any calendar year, membership is rolled over through December 31st of the following year. I understand minimum insurance coverage required by California state law must be met & currently in place for all automobiles participating in club activities. I hereby state that my car will be covered by insurance that meets the State of California's minimum requirements at all times while participating in club sponsored events. I hereby release the Sacramento Area Mustang Club of any & all responsibility for any damages or losses, known or unknown.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please make all checks or money orders payable to: Sacramento Area Mustang Club

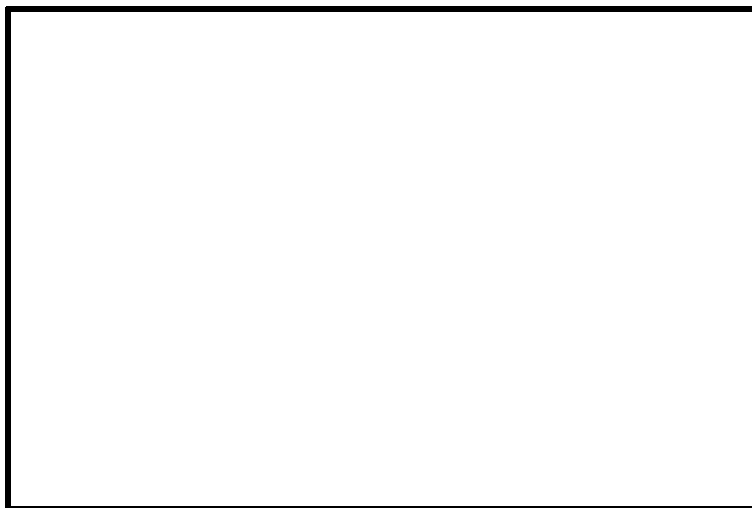
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The Group Photo on the way to the 45th Anniversary in Birmingham in 2009