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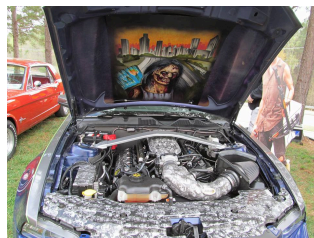
Welcome to our first Newsletter for 2016. You will notice, we have revamped it a bit like our website. Page 1 & 2 will be past events we participated in the previous quarter. Page 3 will be upcoming events that the club is participating in or you may want to if the club is not. Page 4 will be a Member Spotlight to help all of us get to know one another better. These will be written by the club member with a few of their cars featured and edited by the newsletter staff. Page 5 & 6 will be our sponsors and friends of the club ads. We hope you enjoy the new look and content.

Mustang Unlimited Show Successful

Despite the weather and having to move the show to Sunday, we still had 76 cars register and raised \$1,520.00. This money is used to help defray club operating cost not covered by dues with all excess funds to be donated to charity at year's end. A big thank you to those who participated especially Mustangs Unlimited, Unstable Mates and Georgia Regional who had several members in the show.

A few of the top prizes were won by:

- Best of Show Early Mustang '69 Mach1 428 Kenneth Smith
- Best Interior Wesley Smith '12 GT, Walking Dead "tribute"
- Best Engine Lew Mesta 66 coupe with a coyote swap
- Best Paint '67 Ranger Hollis Crocker
- Best of show - non Mustang; 72 Maverick Grabber Derrick Harp.



5 for 5 at Cherry Blossom Festival

Five club cars made the drive down to Macon on 4/2/16 for the Flag City Mustang Club's show at the Cherry Blossom Festival. We enjoyed a drive down back roads to the show, took 2 first in class, 2 second in class, and a best paint award. Then a nice drive home on back roads with a stop for BBQ at Fresh Air BBQ in Jackson. 2 of us even put convertible tops down for the drive back, but have to admit, we had the heater fan on high at 7PM for the last hour of the drive.



Road Rally Through Northeast Georgia

12 cars competed in our first 2016 Road Rally. The event was designed and officiated by Gary and Nancy Dyck (Thank you both again for doing this for us) with 3 segments. Besides the course clues, everyone received a nice Valentine's Day goodie bag. Several cars had trouble with the first clues and never made it out of Dahlonega where we started. Others finally figured them out and made it to the first checkpoint, but maybe not by the attended route. Only one car did not make it back for lunch. They turned around when they reached Virginia. All and all it was a fun day with a great meal at the end. (yes, our club loves food). The winners of the events were Lou and Karen Mangloss and Rick and Cher Hayslip.



After Christmas Party was a blast...

We had over 40 people in attendance with great food, especially the home made dishes. Fellowship and fun were at an all-time high as we did the annual *White Elephant Gift Exchange*. There were many nice prizes that changed hands the maximum number of time. Some of the more popular were the talking monkey, the car cleaning kit, the mustang puzzle and the mustang signs. Of course there were a few gag gifts as well. Here are some photos of the fun had. More can be found on our Facebook page and Website.



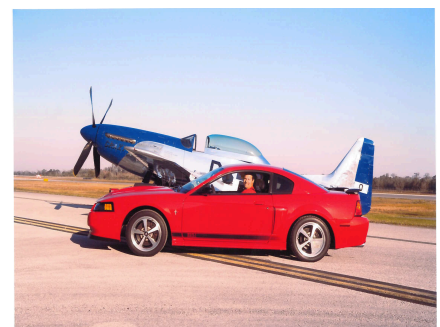
Jackson County Creative Center Car Show (3/19/16)

What do you do if a show you were planning on going to is rained out? Well if you are club members Lisa Nemoga and Kenny Shoulfler you go to another local show. Lisa and Kenny took their Mustang to the Jackson County Creative Center show and Kenny's new spiffy shoes. Proceeds benefitted the center where Kenny's sister attended. There were about 28 cars there and it was a great day. We should keep this show in mind to possibly attend in 2017.



Mustang and Mustang event in Lakeland, FL (3/5/16)

Club member Scott Mossbrooks ventured down to this event and attended with his buddy Matt Bouchelle who we all met at Maggie Valley last year. The event was moved this year from Fantasy of Flight to the Lakeland Airport and teamed up with a Carlisle Auction, a Huge Swap meet and Octane/Coffee event. Only about 150 Mustangs showed this year compared to 325 in 2015. Location was ok this year, Swamp meet was awesome and every car in the event gets a color 8x10 print of their car with a P51 Mustang on a sheet of paper. You can buy other photos and t-shirts of it if you want.



Awesome New Members who joined during in Q1:

Frank & Kathryn Blau	Flowery Branch	'66 Convertible
Cal & Maria Erickson	Norcross	'70, '03 Mach 1, '08 GT500
Andy & Michelle Harris	Lawrenceville	'66 Coupe
Mark & Judy Juenemann	Gainesville	'68 Convertible
Gene Lucas	Suwanee	'16 GT350, '69



Upcoming Q2 Events, Mark Your Calendars: (watch NEGAMC Facebook page, email blast and Website for more info.)

- Next NEGAMC club meeting is 4/24 at 2pm at Hawg Wild BBQ in Clarkesville, GA. Will meet at Oakwood QuickTrip and caravan from there at 1:15pm if anyone is interested. We will take a ride somewhere after the meeting from there and go for ice cream.
- NMRA at Atlanta Drag Strip on 4/9 & 4/10 (see below)
- Mustangs at the Mountain, at St. Mtn. on May 14th
- Georgia Regionals' Show, at Hardy Ford in Dallas, May 21st
- MCA Expo, at Atlanta Motor Speedway, May 27th & 28th
- Tiger Drive-In, on June 4th (see below)
- FOA show at Summit Racing, June ?
- Maggie Valley on October 1st – NEGAMC Major Event
- Any others we need to add, email to Rick Hayslip, Rick Schmidt, or Scott Mossbrooks. We will add them to Website, Facebook and future newsletters



More Information on Upcoming Events:

For the **Tiger Drive-In Event on June 4.** We will meet at QuickTrip on Hwy. 53 as usual at 4:30 pm for anyone who wants to ride up together. That will also help with parking together. The gates open at 6 and the grill also opens at 6pm for dinner. Admission is \$10, children 5-11 are \$5 under 5 free. The drive-in is pet friendly so dogs are welcome. If people could RSVP to kmanglass@bellsouth.net it would be helpful. Anyone wanting to spend the night needs to make hotel reservations ASAP. The Quality Inn Clayton (706-782-2214) has rooms for \$110 but only 3 are left. It is hot rod night so there should be other cars to see.

NMRA: Keith and Debbie Corkern will be going to the NMRA on both days, Saturday 4/9 and Sunday 4/10. Cost is – 1 day \$25/day per person, 2 day \$45/day per person. Kids 12 and under are free. This gets you in the show, to the stands for drag racing and I think to the pits. If you are interested in going, we will plan meeting at the RaceTrac store on the west side of I85, Exit 129 (Braselton). We will leave at 8:30. So far there have been no responses. If you plan to go, please contact Keith at keith.corkern@gmail.com or call 770-317-6480 by Friday 4/8/16. If there are no responses, we will not wait at the RaceTrac and just head on to the Atlanta Drag Strip.

New Website is on-line and growing rapidly..

Our website is looking great and has lots of photos of past events. The calendar section is also operational and all of our upcoming events are on it. Please check it out and let Rick Schmidt know if you have anything to add to the site.

Member Spotlight on:



Gary Dyck

MY MUSTANG STORY

I consider myself to be one of the very lucky guys on this earth that got to turn 16 in 1966! What an era for cars of all kinds!! Horsepower wars were in full swing and like today, every manufacturer was trying their best to up their rivals. The next four years were as close to utopia as you could get as it pertained to cars! What a terrific time it was!



It all started for me a bit earlier in 1964. I lived in a small town in Maryland but every year the SCCA came to town for a regional event. They would close down the airport and the entire town of 35,000 people would take in the SCCA sports car racing on the weekend. A guy by the name of Shelby even raced there in the late 50's. This is when I really got into cars! When I attended the races in the summer of 64, these small little AC Cobra's showed up and just blew everyone off the track. They were so fast it wasn't even a race! From that day forward, I had to have one of those but my parents didn't see it quite my way even though Shelby couldn't give them away by 1967. Son, you don't have the money! Remember that speech?

After the Cobra's did their thing for several years in "A" production, the GT350 Mustangs started showing up and took everything out in "B" production which included small block Corvette's and the like. I fell in love with this car as well and really started to think this Shelby guy was on to something. The only time I ever saw GT350's other than in pictures was on the race track until 1966 when GT350H's, the Hertz additions were born. The day one of these Black and Gold beauties showed up at our little Hertz dealership in town, the word spread like a wildfire. As these cars were more prone to be found in big city locations, what would one be doing in our little out of the way town and I wondered if all the buzz was really true?



So the next day, I took the bus to school and was trying to figure out how I could satisfy my curiosity. I didn't have my license yet and the Hertz location was about two miles from school. So, instead of going into school that day, I headed for the rent-a-racer's supposed location on foot and sure enough, there it sat. I stayed at the dealership the entire day, just staring at this car for over six hours just making it back to school in time to catch the bus home. Best school day ever! Ferris Buhler had nothing on me!

From those two experiences, a Shelby Cobra and a Shelby GT350H were the only cars I've ever wanted. While neither of these were affordable to me then or now, I did save up enough money, \$1300 I believe and in 1970, I did purchase a 66 Mustang GT which was my very first car. I should have kept it. Sound familiar?

Today, I'm fortunate to be able to drive both my dream cars! I love driving them even though they are replicas but both are built far better than the originals ever were and look very much the part. Hopefully we'll all have a great summer enjoying each other and the passion we share for the cars we drive! Hope you enjoyed "My Mustang Story"!

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