Greetings Pony Lovers –

August was another busy month, starting off with our Hospitality Picnic and meeting on the 2nd. Kudos to Jennie Barker for organizing a great event, and to all the members who brought food and pitched in to help out. Despite the showers, we had nearly 40 members present along with a dozen prospects. We picked up some new members, got a renewal, and welcomed back Michelle Silliman – welcome to all of you! The meeting following the picnic was fairly routine, while the guests got a chance to meet our officers and board members.

GPMC members were well represented at the Shelby America National Convention that was held at the Four Points Sheraton in Cranberry and at BeaveRun Motorsports Complex on August 7-8. There were over 50 gorgeous Cobras & Shelbys in the invitation-only concourse show at the Sheraton Friday morning. They also held a participant judged “show & shine” car show at the hotel. Six GPMC members took away trophies: Nathan Hupp, Rick Kaminski, Denny & Danielle Lane, Dave Mathews, Jason Uhler, and yours truly. There were over twenty GPMC members present (see page 4 for Jason’s summary of the entire event.)

Our second monthly cruise was scheduled to be held at Kings Family Restaurant in Harmarville on August 19th, but was postponed due to rain. The forecast for the rain date on August 26th looks much better, so we’re hoping for an excellent turnout. After that, there will be one more cruise, on September 16th. Please contact Dwight Hutton, our Activities Director, at gpmc_activities@verizon.net if you are able to help out.

We had our “volunteer night” at the Starlite Car Cruise on Friday, August 21st. Cobras were the featured car, so the nine members who showed up to help had a great time. We greeted participants at the front gate, monitored Feature Row (reserved for Cobras that night), and directed traffic. Several of the regular Starlite workers couldn’t be there that night, so our help was greatly appreciated. Dwight Hutton even won the award for Volunteer of the Evening. The weather was threatening early on, which kept some people away. But it ended up as a beautiful evening, with a good turnout and everyone having a great time.

It’s official – “Mustang Night” at the Starlite Cruise has been rescheduled for the last night of the season, Sept. 4th. The folks at Starlite appreciate the support they get from the various car clubs in the area, especially the GPMC. This will be the evening for the GPMC to shine, as we get to park in Feature Row. We’ve been assured that they will reserve spaces there for us. If you’re planning on coming, please send me an email at 66ragtoppony@comcast.net.

I hope to see all of you at our September 2nd meeting at Pietro’s Pizza Pub in Dormont. Directions and a map appear on page 6, or you can download them from the Club’s website at: http://www.gPMC.org/images/DirMonroevillePark.pdf.

Keep those motors runnin’,
Ken Barker
Minutes of August 2, 2009 General Meeting

Meeting was called to order by President Ken Barker at Monroeville Community Park. Sign in sheet is being passed around and 50/50 tickets are being sold by Denny Lane.

Ken asked if there were any corrections to last month’s minutes. No corrections. Motion to accept by Danielle Lane and seconded by Shirley Stewart.

Treasurer’s Report: Jason has everything paid and he has the checkbook if anyone needs to be reimbursed for supplies they picked up for the picnic.

Membership: We have 12 new members so from the cruises we have held. Hope to pick up some more from the hospitality picnic and future cruises.

Newsletter: Jennie is still asking for photos and stories for the newsletter. Deadline for September newsletter is August 21.

Merchandise: Andy will have women’s t-shirts at the next cruise. Hats, shirts and decals are for sale.

MCA: Ed Saitz gave schedule of upcoming events for 2010. Grand National Show is July 13-15 in Bellevue, WA. There are 4 National Shows: March 26-29 in Pensacola, Fl; June 4-6 in Mustang, OK; August 13-15 in Virginia Beach, VA; and Sept 3-5 in Asheville, NC. For further info check the MCA website.

Webmaster: Nathan Hupp is working on website. Can-Am and King’s Cruise pictures are on line and the Vintage Grand Prix pictures will be online shortly.

TRCCC: Cruise on October 5th at South Park. Check their website for further info.

Activities: Dwight not present.

Old Business: Mustang Night is rescheduled for September 4th at Starlite. Our volunteer night is scheduled for Friday August 21. Let’s have a great turnout. We have 2 more cruises at King’s in Harmarville. We had over 75 cars at our first cruise at King’s and we will need more dash plaques for the next two cruises. Also again we need volunteers to work these cruises. Next cruise at King’s is August 19. Jason again mentioned about Shelby Convention on August 6-8 at the Sheraton North and BeaveRun.

New Business: We had 15 club members attend the Vintage Grand Prix at our Patron Parking tent on race day. We decorated our tent with a Tiki Bar theme and won an award for Most Awesome Party. Their website should have a photo of the award presentation soon.

Our next meeting will be on September 2 at Pietro’s Pizza on Banksville Road. Directions on the web site. In October we will have our meeting at King’s in Harmarville.

50/50 won by guests Tom and Brenda George.

Motion to adjourn by Jennie Barker and seconded by Bob Quinlan.

Danielle Lane, Secretary
Greater Pittsburgh Mustang Club
Welcome New Members!!!

Mike & Erin DeLeonibus – 2010 Mustang GT Coupe/Fastback

David Jozwiak – 1965 Mustang Coupe

Bob & Melissa Santopietro – 2002 Mustang Convertible

Welcome Back!!!

Michelle Silliman – 1965 Mustang Coupe

GPMC LOGO MERCHANDISE

GPMC window stickers are available at $3.00 each, 2 for $5.00. Tee shirts are also available in a great design with the GPMC logo prominently featured in black & gold on the front and back. Pricing is as follows (adult sizes):

- White short sleeve tees sizes S-XL $12
- White short sleeve tees sizes XXL-XXXL* $15
- White long sleeve tees sizes S-XL $18
- White long sleeve tees sizes XXL-XXXL* $21

*Special order items

We also have a limited selection of “cruise” shirts in children’s sizes, sale priced at $5.00. See Andy Schor for your GPMC logo items and show your club colors with pride.

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SAAC 34 A BIG HIT WITH CAR LOVERS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY

By Jason Uhler

On August 6-8, several GPMC members took part in the Shelby American Automobile Club’s 34th annual national convention, held at the Sheraton Four Points in Cranberry and BeaveRun racetrack. There was a social gathering Thursday evening at the hotel, with memorabilia displays, and several people available to answer questions. The notables included Chuck Cantwell, the Project Engineer on the GT-350 program at Shelby American (he decided what parts went on the cars and what they looked like); Tom Yeager, a Shelby team driver in the 1960’s; and a gentleman who worked at A.O. Smith in Michigan where all of the 1968-69 Shelbys were built. I picked his brain for an hour and he couldn’t have been nicer. The 1967 Shelby prototype car was driven into the banquet room to be on display during this event. No GPMC members participated in the Concours show on Friday morning because those cars are simply too nice to be driven (and we like to have fun with ours!), but many took home awards in the Popular Vote car show. The awards which were presented at the banquet on Friday night included:

- 1964-73 Mustang Stock  3rd place  Ken Barker
- 1964-73 Mustang Modified  1st place  Dave Mathews
- 1965 GT-350  1st place  Jason Uhler
- 1966 GT-350  3rd place  Rick Kaminski
- 1968 GT-350  2nd place  Jason Uhler
- 1994-09 Mustang Stock  1st place  Denny Lane
- 2006-09 GT-500  2nd place  Nathan Hupp
- Special Interest  1st place  Rick Kaminski

Several other members were there as spectators to see some of the rare cars on display. After the show concluded, everyone headed to BeaveRun to let the cars stretch their legs a little. No club members that I am aware of ran their cars in the Open Track sessions, but a few of us drove both Friday and Saturday in the “parade laps,” which were hardly that. They were supposed to be limited to 50 mph since you didn’t need a helmet and could take passengers, but the pace car had to be hitting 80 on the straightaways and we were all out in the tight turns. I would describe it as a slightly toned-down Open Track and it was a lot of fun. Unfortunately, Zachery Hupp missed most of it as he was sleeping in the backseat of dad’s car until the last lap. Just shows how much better the new cars ride than the old ones since I’m guessing he wouldn’t have slept too well in mine (ha ha). The more serious drivers opted to run their cars at closer to their limits both Friday and Saturday with the Cobras topping out around 130mph on the straights. It just amazes me that guys will run their half million dollar cars that fast with no insurance coverage while on the track! I believe the guys in the Vintage race on Saturday afternoon were actually going faster than that, but it started to rain at that point and many people headed for the hills. Next year’s convention is in California, so make your plans now. SAAC member Jay Leno always attends with his ’65 GT-350 when the convention is on the West coast, so it would be a good chance to chat cars with him. Thanks to all who attended and I certainly hope everyone had a good time.
MORE FROM SAAC 34
Photos courtesy of Ken Barker

Denny & Danielle Lane

Dave Mathews

Rick Kaminski

Ed Saitz

Jason Uhler

Ken Barker

Nathan Hupp
Directions to Pietro’s Pizza Pub Meeting Location

Pietro’s Pizza is located at 2957 Banksville Road, south-west of Pittsburgh in the Banksville neighborhood of Pittsburgh.

1. If you’re coming from Downtown Pittsburgh, travel through the Fort Pitt tunnel on Interstate 279. After passing thru the tunnel, take the Banksville Road/South US 19 off ramp. Proceed just over 2 miles to Pietro’s on the left (just past the intersection with Potomac Avenue.)

1. If you’re coming on the Parkway from the West, take the Greentree exit and turn right on Greentree Road/South PA 121. Proceed just over 0.5 miles, turn left on Potomac Avenue. Follow Potomac about 0.5 miles to the intersection with Banksville Road. Turn right on Banksville, and Pietro’s will be on your immediate left.

If you get lost you can call Ken or Jennie on their cell phone at (412) 657-9120.
GPMC Activities are listed in bold print. Some dates and events are subject to change, so please check the website and most recent newsletter for the latest information.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sept 2  GPMC Monthly Meeting @ King's, Harmarville. 
        Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m., General Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 4  Mustang Night at Wexford Starlite Car Cruise. See following note:

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Sept. 6  Car cruise at Italian American Club in Export. For details, contact John Holmes at jwhhh50@windstream.net or 724-325-1135

Sept. 16 GPMC Car Cruise @ King's Harmarville, 6:00-8:00 p.m. (Rain date Sept. 23)

Sept. 19 “Big Daddy” Don Garlits @ Pittsburgh Raceway Park

October 4 South Park Cruisin’ Oldies Fest @ wave pool 12:00-5:00
        Info: South Hills Chamber of Commerce, 412-306-8090; office@shchamber.org

October 7 GPMC Monthly Meeting @ King’s, Harmarville.
        Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m., General Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

October 25 Garage Tour – in the planning stages; details to follow

November 4 GPMC Monthly Meeting @ King’s, Harmarville.
        Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m., General Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

December 2 GPMC Monthly Meeting @ King’s, Harmarville.
        Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m., General Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

December 6 Holiday Party @ Best Western Parkway Center Inn; details to follow

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Ken Got His Wheels!

By Jennie Barker

Last fall at Starlite, a couple approached us and said that, not only did they know who sold Ken his ’66 Mustang convertible, they also had the original wheels. The prior owner had replaced the wheels and sold the originals to this couple before selling the car to Ken.

This year, the couple said they had replaced the wheels on their Mustang and were willing to sell them to Ken. A few years after being separated, the original wheels are back with the Mustang, not on it, but at least in the same garage.

After cleaning them off in the driveway, I decided to have some fun with these photos. The rear axle is crooked, but what can you do?
GPMC VOLUNTEER NIGHT AT THE WEXFORD STARLITE CRUISE AUGUST 21

Ed welcomes a participant and gives directions

Ken guarding Feature Row before handing it over to

Ken, Dwight, Jason & Mateo welcome Tom

Ed and Dwight with a Starlite staffer

Jason hands out info as Andy welcomes the pooch in the back seat

Dwight, Volunteer of the Night

Mark & Ken help to push a disabled truck off the field

ValJean pointing the way to Bill, directing drivers to the exit

NO PHOTOS AVAILABLE
(1) Jennie, working side-by-side with Ken.
(2) Jack Swaney, our good friend from the North Hills Historic Auto Club, who pitched in, without being asked, and helped.
WHAT IS THE TRCCC?

GPMC member Tom Cavataio serves as our liaison with the Tri River Car Club Council. Members sometimes ask, “Just what is the TRCCC?” Here is the history of the TRCCC from their website at http://clubs.hemmings.com/frameset.cfm?club=trccc:

The Tri River Car Club council was established in 1993 with the initial intent of creating fellowship and harmony between the various clubs and coordinating cruises in the Metropolitan Pittsburgh area.

The council very quickly, though, found itself in the heat of a battle to keep centralized emissions testing out of the Commonwealth. How centralized emissions testing would affect our hobby became of the utmost concern for the Pennsylvania car enthusiast. With the help of some serious hobbyists, a group of truly dedicated stakeholders and volunteers coordinated petition signings, letter writing campaigns and trips to Harrisburg, as well as numerous local meetings to educate hobbyists about important issues and items of interest such as Reformulated Gasoline. Through all these efforts, centralized emissions’ testing was defeated.

The council also has been responsible for the creation of a new one-time-fee license plate for “Collectible Cars”, which exempts them from emissions testing. This plate covers vehicles with extensive engine and exhaust modifications -- very important consideration for vehicles not able to fit under the Antique, Classic, or Street Rod registrations.

Judges, sanctioned by TRCCC, are made available to car clubs and charities in the area so that sponsors of shows provide qualified, trained judges for their participants. TRCCC has also designed a ratings sheet that fairly judges cars and determines trophy winners.

TRCCC publishes a bi-monthly newsletter that contains club news, legislative updates, a calendar of events and other timely articles of interest to the hobbyist.

Membership is open to anyone interested in the preservation of the hobby.

YOUR STORY AND PHOTOS HERE!
Do you get tired of seeing the same faces in every issue of the Greater Pittsburgh Mustang Club Newsletter? If so, email photos of yourself and/or other GPMC members at any car-related event to the editor. In addition, please write a sentence or two (or more, if you have a lot to report) about where you were.
The 2009 Hospitality Picnic, held August 2nd at Monroeville Community Park, was a big success, in spite of the threatening skies. By the time the brief rainfall arrived, the 36 club members and 12 guests had already enjoyed burgers, hot dogs, and many delicious side dishes and desserts supplied by members. Thanks to everyone who helped make it happen!
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NEW MEETING LOCATION
FOR SEPTEMBER!!

Next Meeting
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September 2, 2009
DePietro’s Pizza Pub
7:00 p.m. Board Meeting
7:30 p.m. General Meeting

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Do you have a story or photo to share? Send them to:
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