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The Editor's Page

Chris Fisher

CLUB STUFF:

Today was the annual Swap Meet at Barden-McCain Ford. I think it's safe to call it a success. I helped out at the club booth for two shifts and really had a good time. (My apologies to Terry for missing the morning set-up which I had signed up for. One would think that since I'm up before six every weekday, I'd be able to do it on weekends, too - guess again!) If you weren't able to attend, don't worry. There are lots of opportunities for you to do your part for the club!

The club is in need of volunteers for:

- Car Show Committee
- Club Picnic Committee
- Christmas Party Committee

Serving on one of the committees is generally pretty easy on your schedule. So, if you've got some time, sign up! Details on the various duties can be found in the meeting minutes.

I have some good news to report on the volunteerism front: Tom Cavataio and Dave Carrell have volunteered to share the duties of Club Merchandise Coordinator. After working the Club Booth today, I can attest that the various items are well organized and accurately inventoried. Jack and Thelma Medley have done a wonderful job and we owe them a hearty round of applause!

How many couples do you know who celebrate their wedding anniversary every four years? Well, add Brian and Tammy Kuntz to the list. They were married on Thursday, February 29. Congratulations! From a "guy" perspective, it was a great move! Three out of four years, Brian will have a great excuse for forgetting his anniversary!



EVENTS:

- ◆ March 25: GPMC Board of Directors Meeting, 7:30, King's Restaurant, Rt 910 & I-79. All members are welcome.
- ◆ April 4: GPMC Monthly Meeting, 7:30, Hoss's Restaurant, Rt 8, Coventry Square Shopping Center.
- ◆ April 14: Indoor Swap Meet - South Park Fairgrounds, 8-3, by Steel City Classics.
- ◆ April 18-21: Spring Carlisle, Carlisle, PA Fairgrounds.
- ◆ April 27: Car Cruise, Irwin Business District, Line-up 4pm, cruise 6pm. \$12. Register @ All Sports Trophy, Irwin, or call Chip @ 863-3614 (This is a good one, folks!)
- ◆ May 11: Freeport S.A.D.D. Auto-Rama, Freeport Senior High School (see flyer)
- ◆ May 31-June 2: All Ohio Parts Spectacular, Randolph Fairgrounds, 4mi S of I-76 on SR 44.
- ◆ June 7-9: Carlisle All-Ford Nationals, Carlisle, PA Fairgrounds.
- ◆ June 14-16: Pittsburgh Parts-A-Rama, Butler Fairgrounds, Rt 422 @ I-79. (Rumor has it we may have a club booth/display - provided we can get enough volunteers to man it for three days!)
- ◆ June 21-23: Ford Motorsport Nationals, Maple Grove Raceway, Reading, PA.

Those with photogenic ponies take note! At our March meeting, a flyer was distributed from Graziani Photography, 2200 California Ave., Pittsburgh 15212. Phone: 231-1230. FAX: 231-1232. Anyone wishing to have their car professionally photographed in their studio should contact them. Be sure to mention you're a member of the club in order to receive the special club rate of \$150.

P O N Y E X P R E S S

Spring is almost here. I for one am definitely looking forward to the warm weather that is supposedly on its way. The Swap Meet plans have pretty much well wrapped up, and we should have a report ready for our April meeting. I would like to thank the Swap meet committee for organizing the show and a special thank you to all the members that helped the day of the show. We could not put a event like this on without everyones cooperation. I would also like to send a special THANK YOU to Barden McKain Ford for the use of their facilities and personal.

We are in the process of beginning to set-up a committee for our car show at Barden McKain on July 28, 1996. So if you have some time to give we are looking for people to join the car show committee, just contact any one of our officers or Board of Directors members. We had a preliminary meeting with Bob Alberts from Barden McKain. The people at Barden McKain are very excited about the show and are looking forward to working with our car show committee to put on a first class show, as we have done in the past. When talking to Bob Alberts about the show he mentioned that he would not have a problem with clearing the "Used Car Lot" for the show, I explained that in the past we had used more space than that of the "Used Car Lot". He asked how much more space we would need, I said we normally use the whole lot. That made his eyes light up! Bob has only been with Barden McKain for a couple of years and has not experienced any of our past shows. While working at a Ford Dealership in Columbus, Ohio he has helped put on a few shows and said he is willing to use some of his old contacts to help us out with our show if possible.

We are looking for some activities for April, May, and June. If you know of a place or an idea that would be interesting or fun to do please bring your idea to the April meeting. We are always looking for new things to do whether it is in the south, east, west, or north section of town. The weather will be changing for the best (hopefully) so it will be nice to be able to get out and about.

We are also looking for committee chairperson(s) and volunteers to help with the club picnic that is to be held on August 4, 1996. If you are able to lend a hand it would be most appreciated.

We are still looking for a someone to take over the Club Merchandise Coordinator position, if you are interested please contact one of the board members.

One last item, I would like to say THANK YOU to Hugh and Kelly McCarron for all their hard work on the GPMC Directory.

HAPPY TRAILS,
TERRY

March 6 Meeting Minutes

Bonnie Kolder

Our monthly GPMC meeting was held March 6, 1996 at Hoss's Restaurant. President Terry Conroy opened the meeting by asking for new members to introduce themselves. New members were Stephen Laskowski, who is the original owner of a 1970 Boss 302, and Clay Luffey, who owns a 1965 coupe. A total of 28 members attended the meeting.

Brian Kuntz reported on the recent meeting of TRCC in regards to emissions inspection. He said that the state's latest plan is to keep our current system, with updated inspection equipment and an annual inspection cost of \$18.

Swap Meet - Terry urged members to come out and volunteer at the swap meet. Terry stated that at the present time there were 27 or 28 vendor spaces sold. Members were urged to take more fliers to pass out.

Car Show - Terry and Gene Hagerty met with Bob Alberts, Shop Manager at Barden-McKain Ford regarding a car show to be held in summer (see below). Terry reported that Barden-McKain was very receptive to GPMC holding its swap meet and car show there and would look into getting a promotional vehicle for the car show.

Volunteers are needed to form a car show committee and get things started for the GPMC car show to be held July 28. Contact Terry Conroy.

GPMC Picnic - our annual Club picnic will be held August 4 at Roosevelt Grove, North Park (our usual summer meeting site). **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to form a committee to make plans for the picnic. *[Ok, the graphic may be a bit on the bold side, but I don't have anything that says "Pretty-please with sugar on top." -Ed.]*



Christmas Party - Bonnie Kolder will make arrangements for the party and details will be passed along when the date has been confirmed. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** (are you sensing a trend?)



Mustangs Across America - Karen Borgen reported that the Mahoning Valley Mustang Club had received 9 responses from the area to participate in the run from this area to Atlanta. Karen is waiting for a response from Mustangs Across America as to whether they plan to make a stop in Pittsburgh on their way back up from Atlanta. More information to follow. Karen urged that if you are planning to attend the 20th Anniversary MCA Show in Atlanta, make your hotel reservations now!

Membership Directory - The 1996 Membership Directory was circulated and corrections were made before it goes to the printer's.

50/50 Raffle - Wilbur Knotts was the winner!

Just in case you weren't paying attention...

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE CAR SHOW COMMITTEE, THE ANNUAL GPMC PICNIC, AND THE CHRISTMAS PARTY. PLEASE CONTACT ANY CLUB OFFICER AND PARTICIPATE IN ONE OR MORE OF THESE EVENTS.

WANTED or FOR SALE ADS for car related items will be placed in the monthly newsletter at no cost to GPMC members. Your ads will be published in 3 consecutive newsletters. The numbers in parentheses at the end of each ad indicate the number of remaining newsletters in which the ad will appear. Please notify me if you want an ad to be continued beyond the three month period. You have four choices for getting the ads to me. You can mail them (Chris Fisher, 318 Circle Dr., Delmont, PA 15626), you can call (468-4938, evenings and weekends), you can fax them (same number, but you have to call first so I can set up the PC), or you can E-mail them (great68@aol.com "GREAT 68" is the plate on my '68 Mustang!) Please DO NOT leave ad requests on my answering machine (it's a bit temperamental).

FOR SALE ADS:

For Sale - 1966 Convertible, parts or restore (if you're really good), 289, Auto, manual steering and brakes, power top, no title, \$850. Chris 937-8333, 468-4938 (2).

For Sale - 1988 T-bird Turbo Coupe, 5-speed, black, red int, 89K, runs great, needs trans rebuild and ABS sensor, \$2950/BO. Chris 937-8333, 468-4938 (2).

For Sale - 1964½ Convertible, 260, 3-speed, burgundy, white top, new brakes, excellent mechanical condition, always stored, \$8500. 869-9957. (2)

For Sale - 5.0 - New water pump, front cover, timing chain set, oil pan and fly wheel; 65/66 - hood, 5-gauge instrument panel, 9" housing, 3.50 9" pumpkin, Boss/Hi-Po con rod set & S.B. scatter shield; 32 Ford - Walker radiator, rumble lid hinges, windshield frame w/glass & Bitchen Products steel floor kit; much more miscellaneous rare & valuable good stuff. Lanny 264-5856 (1).

For Sale - Quick 5-sp shifter, signed by Salesen, make offer. 487-6285 (0).

For Sale - Carter 625 cfm performance carb, electric choke, Ford auto kick down, 3 months old, perfect shape, includes Carter strip kit, paid total of \$260, sell for \$145. Ray 466-5279 (0).

For Sale - 1966 Coupe, NM/CA Mustang, excellent cond., dark green w/black interior, 289, auto, factory air, p/s, 10K on rebuilt eng (110K orig), owner needs garage space, asking \$7000. Frank 453-0742 (0).

WANTED: 1965 Convertible; V-8, Red or Black; Ready-to-drive. Jason (412) 364-6970. (0)

BUSINESS ADS: We welcome any businesses to advertise in our monthly newsletter. The small charge helps to defray the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter. The cost for a 4 ½" x 2 ¾" area is \$7.50 for members and \$15 for nonmembers, and the ad is printed in THREE monthly newsletters. Our newsletter is sent to over 190 homes and several local car clubs, and the number grows every month. All FULL PAGE FLYER ads must be "run-off" by the person submitting the material (please provide enough copies for the entire monthly mailing). Additional charges may be required on full page ads depending on newsletter space availability and mailing weight.

Oh, boy! Some extra space! Your editor just can't stand to see space go to waste, and since I didn't receive any items from the membership at large, I'm going to tell you about my latest finds. Yes, that's right - finds.

I started out looking for a better winter vehicle than my '88 T-bird Turbo. I got a bit sidetracked by an ad in the local newspaper. It was for a '79 Lincoln Versailles with a seized engine. I snapped it up and towed it home - it was only 1/4 mile away. It's now up on blocks in the back yard. I intend to put its disc-brake equipped rear-end in my 1968 Convertible. Theoretically, it's a bolt in. I don't know about you, but the things I have the most trouble doing are the ones that are supposed to be the easiest. I'll let you know how it goes...

Anyhow, the next day, I got a good deal on a used Ranger Splash 4x4. It was a pretty uneventful purchase. I'm always on the hunt for places to go after I buy a vehicle. The same evening I bought the truck, I decided that I needed some

truck magazines. I don't know what it is about buying a truck that makes people want to run out and buy accessories, but it's a real phenomenon. Call it J.C. Whitney disease. So, I ventured out to the newsstand. I bought a couple of magazines... and a copy of Hemming's....

There it was, on page 2197: "FORD: 1957 Skyliner... needs complete restoration, rough..." It was cheap, and in Greensburg, no less. I'd been wanting a Skyliner for a long time, and this one seemed to need me. It's like when you go into the pet store, and that one little puppy looks at you with those sad eyes as if to say, "Take me home, please?" Well, I don't go into pet stores anymore, and I'm going to stop buying Hemming's. I've got no more room for dogs, and, once the Skyliner gets here, no more room for cars, either.

[To anybody out there who has experience with these cars - advice and/or assistance would be greatly appreciated! Chris @ 468-4938.]

**DASH PLAQUE & T-SHIRT
FOR PARTICIPANTS!**

NEO MUSTANG CLUB
NELSON LEDGES ROAD COURSE
ONE DAY ONLY OPEN TRACK SESSION
SUNDAY JUNE 2, 1996

**CONTACT LOU NELSON
FOR ADDITIONAL INFO.**

THE EVENT will be a one day, open track, high speed (if desired) touring session for members of The NEO Mustang Club and other invited clubs and guests only. Participation will be by pre-paid registration. In the event of excess demand, participants will be accepted on a "first come, first served" basis at the address below.

Cost per car and/or driver will be determined based upon response by the event committee. This form is for preliminary information and to reserve your space. The club can cancel at no charge until May 10, 1996. If there is not enough demand by this date all deposits will be returned.

This will be a TOURING EVENT NOT A COMPETITION EVENT. A mandatory tech inspection will be required. Cars will be divided into classes as desired by the owners. This form will also help the event committee anticipate interest and demand in each class.

We understand that Mustang drivers do it in the rain, so this event will be classified as an all weather touring event -- read this as "no refunds due to weather." If you choose not to participate due to weather on June 2, we Thank You for your support because the club will have to pay for the track in full.

Details will follow after we know more about total number of participants and amount of interest in each class. To reserve your space for this event, detach and return the following:

Driver: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone number: _____

Class interested in (these are preliminary and subject to change):

- _____ Cruiser (Wants to enjoy driving your classic Mustang on an SCCA caliber road course)
- _____ Intermediate (Wants to stretch the legs of your classic pony)
- _____ Advanced (Wants to stretch the legs and envelope of your classic pony)

PLEASE NOTE that anyone can drop down to another class if they are uncomfortable once on the track.

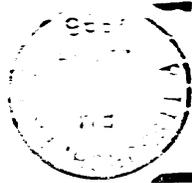
Driver signature: _____

Please enclose \$50.00 advance deposit and mail to the address below. Please make all checks payable to NEO Mustang Club.

NEO Mustang Club c/o
Tom Kearney
1250 Iowa Ave
McDonald, OH 44437-1646

Please attach questions or comments on a separate sheet or call Tom Kearney at (330) 500-0555 or one of the committee members listed in the newsletter.

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