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## CENTRAL ILLINOIS MUSTANGERS

by Mark Patrick

The January Board Meeting finalized many plans for the annual Car Show. The date has been scheduled for June 8, 1986 with a rain date of June 15, 1986. Entry fee for participants will be \$10.00 per car. Swap space fee remains the same. The show will have two co-chairmen, Floyd Scranton and Jerry Marques. Committees will be formed in the next meetings, if asked to serve on a committee please do!

The Board has approved that a letter of request be sent to the National Club requesting information to host a National Show in 1987. This is only a letter for more information, not to schedule a National.

Beginning next month the newsletter will begin a series on individual members of our club, their families and cars. We have some members who are unable to attend the meetings due to distance (two of our members being as far away as Belleville, IL).

In last month's *Mustang Monthly* the editorial page carried an opinion by Dr. Craft. He is trying to establish two groups of Mustang people, those who trailer their cars and those who don't. It is unfortunate that there are those today who would try to separate people who love and enjoy the cars. There is room for both trailered cars and driven cars. As an owner of both, both provide different enjoyment to me. People buy trailers to protect their investment of much time and money just as those who drive theirs, yet these drivers enjoy the car in a way that Ford designed them, for fun! Very few of us today use the early Mustangs for basic transportation, so both trailered and driven Mustangs are babied. Central Illinois Mustangers are fortunate to have both groups of owners in our club and have the harmony we have.

Henry Abel was re-admitted to the hospital after a one week stay at home. He should be in only for ten days. Please continue to pray for Henry and his recovery.

One of our members, Rod Hashman has started a Mustang Parts Business in Springfield. The name is Mustang Ranch and he is a dealer for California Mustang Parts.

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## BI-CITY REGIONAL GROUP

by Bill Raye

Officers for 1986 were elected at the January meeting. Bill Raye will serve another year as President; Clayton Deal is our newly-elected Vice-President; Alice Staples continues as Secretary, as does Jack Locke as Treasurer. Pat Seay is Club Photographer.

Can anyone in MCA top this story? One of our members, Priscilla Phillips, recently purchased a new home in Columbus. She looked at many different houses and locations before she decided that she had found her "dream" home. Naturally, the house is located on MUSTANG DRIVE! Priscilla says that she couldn't, and wouldn't, settle for anything less!

We entered five Mustangs in the Columbus-Phenix City area Christmas Parade. There were three convertibles, two '66s and one '67, and two beautiful fastbacks, all of them eye-poppers! Perhaps only Mustangers would drive with tops down in 20 degree weather, but it was more than satisfying, judging from the crowd and television response we received. It was great fun! We look forward to increased membership and accelerated activity in 1986.

## EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA REGIONAL GROUP

by Ken Lane

The big event for January was the Road Rally which was held on the 19th of January. This was a great event for the club as we raised \$400.00 for UCP. The club donated \$40.00 to make the even amount given. Trophies were presented to the winners at the Mall and again later live at the Scott Building on TV 5 live.

Congratulations go to:

- Gary Churchill ..... First Place  
(driving a Ray Whitley prepared Red G.T. Convertible)
- David McDonald ..... Second Place  
(driving his '73 road machine)
- Elizabeth Frigon ..... Third Place  
(driving her '66 Burgandy Convertible)

A special thanks to Mac Byrd with UCP for his help and getting the trophies. *Special Note:* If you ever want to go with Mac or Ray make sure someone has a spare set of keys, a clothesline wire doesn't work too well.

Thanks to the members that helped with this event check point monitors: Ray Whitley, Jim Miller, Don Liggins, Bill Habetz, Dan Jafferief, Tom Scott (P.D. Quik), and Kim Bayne (Carolina Mustang), those at the starting and finishing line Irv Tabler, Gary Johnson (P.D. Quik), and myself. Bill Wilson for mapping out the course, Bo Batcheleder (P.D. Quik).

The race was funny and if you don't believe me just ask Rick Pittman and he can give you directions anywhere you want to go except Cary. There were several non-members and members and young people participating in the rally. We had 18 entries that ran in this rally.

The January meeting was at Jim Miller's house. Jim talked about the car project that he and his son, Jimmy, are currently involved with and showed slides showing the progress that they have made. Hopefully this project will be completed by July of this year. There were 6 members present at this meeting.

The February meeting will be on the 20th at 7:00 p.m. at R.J. & G. Alignment located at 6215 Hillsbrough, RD. (Between Buck Jones, RD and I-40) for better directions call Irv Tabler 848-7767. This Tech session will be dealing with wheel alignment and front end work on our cars. Irv will be presiding at this meeting as I will be in Maryland attending school at the National Fire Academy for three weeks. Let's show our support and turn out for this meeting. There will be a business meeting after the Tech Session as we need to start working on possible show site, date, what we want to raffle off.

To have a good show this year will require the participation of all club members.

A final note Bill Wilson needs your dues for the year.

## MISSISSIPPI COAST MUSTANG CLUB

by Ben Powell

The next regular monthly meeting of the Mississippi Coast Mustang Club has been set for Sunday, February 16, 2:00 p.m. at Gulfport Western Sizzlin. The normal meeting of Feb. 9 was changed because that date is the most prolific day for the Mardi Gras parades. Have fun and "Throw me something, mister!"

At the last meeting of January, ten members were present. One new member is Mr. Barry L. Pettis. Mr. James Mayfield and family visited with prospects of becoming members.

At the January meeting there were two major coming events brought up for discussion. The first being a fund raising drag race at Gulfport Dragway. President Ron Parmley was selected, by motion, to arrange a date and publicity for this event. The date for this event has now been set for Sunday, March 23, 1986.

There was a discussion and motion for Jack Wilbanks and Mike Fitzpatrick to put together a car show at Mississippi Coast Coliseum on the front parking lot with a sit-down banquet at Presentation Ceremonies, sometime during July/August time frame.

Remember the annual \$10.00 dues were due in January. Hope to see you all the 16th of February.

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## SHENANDOAH VALLEY MUSTANG CLUB

by Fleta Trenary

Our February meeting was called to order with 20 members present.

Jim Bible had one of his D.E. students at our meeting. The James Wood D.E. Department wanted to lend a hand with our National Show in July. They will be able to help in any area where there is a need.

A motion was made by Rick Combs and 2nd by Angela Rinker to make Charles and Sandy Belford Honorary Members of S.V.M.C. Thanks to them for selling 360 lottery tickets for our club. Your support and enthusiasm is greatly appreciated!

We elected our Queen and Her Court. To hold the title of Miss S.V.M.C. for 1986 is **Rhonda Belford!** 1st Runner-Up is **Ginny Shanholtz**, and 2nd Runner-Up is **Kathy Combs!** CONGRATULATIONS to all of you young ladies! You will each have a very busy year ahead of you, but I'm sure it'll be an enjoyable one for you.

We have received the Pedal Car and we will be taking it to shows between now and July. Chances will also be taken on it at each car show. Angela Rinker and myself will be selling the chances at each function. Then for the National Show we have the following volunteers: Hilda Belford, Shirley Snyder, Steve and Debbie Wilt, and Dottie Hoover.

We will be having several more lotteries before July gets here. Bobby and Hilda Belford will be heading these up.

Hopper's Auto Club has invited us to a Skating Party. It will be held at Mac's Roller Rink on 522 between Winchester and Front Royal on March 10 from 7-9:30 p.m. The cost will be \$2.00 per person, which includes skate rental. We hope those of you who like to skate will go out for an evening of fun.

Thanks to Angela Rinker and David Sandy for February's refreshments. And a special reminder — March refreshments will be served by Rick, Barbara, Rusty and Kathy Combs.

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, March 23 at 2:00 p.m. at the Rescue Squad Building. It was moved up due to Easter. Hope you will all try to make it out. These next few months we are going to be working on the finalizing of the National Show, and you don't want to miss any of the exciting plant we have in store!

Our Strasburg Show is April 5, 1986. Hope you mark this date on your calendar. It is being sponsored by Stickleby Ford, not Strasburg Chamber of Commerce as I had in the last newsletter. (My mistake!) Your registration form will be in your March newsletter. Hope you all will make an effort to come to our first show of the season.

We have a show in June at Thomassen Ford in Charles Town, WV. More will be in a later newsletter regarding this one along with more. We are looking for all of your support when we have a show, come out and enjoy the fun and good fellowship.

Don't forget I need your MCA ID numbers and your expiration dates, also.

Our officers' meeting will be on March 11 at 7:30 p.m. in Jim Biddle's D.E. office at the Ridge Campus.

Also, a special thanks to those of you contacting area merchants for our ad books and trophies, your help is very much appreciated. Keep up the good work!

## CHEROKEE REGIONAL MUSTANG CLUB

by Jerrell Puckett

Yes, believe it or not, our club is still alive and doing well, despite my lack of personal time to sit down and report some of our club happenings.

**December** — was a little slow, as far as normal activities for the club, but was highlighted by our Christmas party at our local Shepard's Restaurant. Approximately 15 couples attended and enjoyed a very ample meal. We enjoyed and appreciate very much, Don Chandler, from the National Club, driving up from Atlanta to speak and visit with our club. Don handled the question and answer session very well, and left us with some soul searching answers concerning the "late model" addition membership problem. Our January meeting consumed quite a bit of time to this problem (or subject).

Thanks Don for a very enjoyable visit.

**January** — meeting was one of our longest, time wise, but most productive, of our winter month meetings. Results as follows:

### New Officers:

George Pearson ..... President  
Jack Bibb ..... Vice-President 629-8929  
Barry Hobgood ..... Secretary-Treasurer  
Jerrell Puckett ..... National Director

### Tentative Show Date (Spring):

May 10, 1986  
National Guard Armory  
Calhoun, Georgia

### 1985 Fall Project:

One of our late summer, early fall fund raisers for community needs was a big success. We donated a little over \$400.00 to the local VAC (VOLUNTEER ACTION CENTER) office. This money was raised, by our club membership, by raffling a VCR recorder.

### Next Meeting:

Our next club meeting is scheduled for Feb. 10, Monday night at the City Library.

Subjects:

1. Plans for Spring Show.
2. Late model membership vote.
3. Plans for Club activities scrap book.
4. National judging update — Street-driven class.

I hope that 1986 is both an active and successful year for the Cherokee Regional Mustang Club and the National Club. May we both continue to grow!