

REGIONAL GROUP NEWS

TEXOMA REGIONAL GROUP

The meeting of December 2, 1979, was held at the Lawton Public Library and was called to order by Club President, Jim Smart.

The main discussion was attendance and it was decided to develop rules and regulations for our club to be built on. Our attendance must pick up. By-laws will hopefully boost attendance. Our members must realize that it's important to attend all meetings. Let's see to it that WE attend all meetings.

Next topic of discussion was a club logo or emblem. It was decided that a prize be offered to the member that creates the best logo. Our club, as a group, will decide on the best "logo". Deadline is January 6, 1980.

Talk of a winter Mustang car show for March or April 1980 was considered. We will play that by ear.

Club jackets and T-shirts were discussed and the plan will be put in action after the pain of Christmas expenses is forgotten!! Namely, January, 1980.

A "TEXOMA" newsletter is in the making and the "hunt" for a dependable printer is in the making as well.

Finally, our goal is to make "Texoma Regional Group" total MCA members. We are about 35% MCA. C'mon, Gang, let's pull it all together!

I would like to welcome new members to our club: Lou Rivera, Thomas Gero, Pat Coan, Ken Hartman and Bruce Longmore.

Next month we will submit an article on "Texoma Regional Group" and our beginnings as well as information on Southwest Oklahoma and North Texas. So, until next time, "HAPPY HOLIDAYS to Everyone and a Mustanging New Year".

Jim Smart, President

SHENANDOAH VALLEY MUSTANG CLUB

"The James Wood DECA Chapter and Shenandoah Valley Mustang Club co-sponsored an all Ford Car Show on Saturday, October 27, 1979. Over fifty automobiles were entered in competition with several classes as well as the Mustang classes. Two classes of Mustangs were judged: 1965-67 and 1968-73. First second and third place trophies were awarded for each class and an outstanding award was presented. The winners were:

1965-66

1st: Jeff Berry 1965 2+2

2nd: Bill McHugh '66 GT Convertible
3rd: Wayne Kvasnicka, '66 Coupe

1967-73

1st: Preston Whitacre '67 Shelby
2nd: Jeff Feltner '70 Boss
3rd: Sterling Bull '68 Coupe

Outstanding Mustang of the Show
Jeff Feltner, 1969 Boss

This was a most successful event with over 60 cars in competition. We had a great turnout and everyone received a package of prizes as well as a participation plaque for entering.

Jim Biddle, Secretary

CENTRAL ILLINOIS REGIONAL CHAPTER

Sunny skies and balmy breezes brought out hundreds of people to view the 39 entries in the Mustang Show sponsored by our club in Decatur, Illinois. 22 trophies were given out on this 21st day of October. Television and newspaper advertisements were furnished prior to the show by Northgate Mall where the show was located. Following the event, the newspaper printed two detailed articles about our show. This provided the club publicity and a boost in Mustang enthusiasm. Along with door prizes given out, the club sold T-shirts, decals, caps, etc., which managed to build our account up to a nice round figure.

For being a newly organized group, we thought the Mustang Show was quite successful. Not only did we make some money for the Club, but we also made some new Mustang friends. At the end of that particular Sunday, I knew some pretty tired, happy people.

Our local club holds it's meetings the second Sunday of each month at the Red Cross facility located in Decatur, IL. All interested persons are welcome to attend our meetings. For more information about our club, write:

Bob Stelbrink
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Debbie Van Hook, Secretary

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TREASURE STATE MUSTANG CLUB

The Treasure State Mustang Club held its final meeting of 1978 on November 4th at Shakey's Pizza. The major purpose of this meeting was to elect officers for the coming year.

The following were elected:

President: Kevin McAtee
V. President: Linn Brummet
Secy.-Treas.: Brad Hjelm
Sgt. at Arms: Bill Busta &
Andy Phillips
Newsletter Ed: Lee Cigler
Program Chair.: Don West
Membership
Chairman: Carl Gochsch

Congratulations to all of you!

President, Lee Cigler, announced that discounts are now available for club members at: Tire-Rama, Ming Auto Body and Silent Knight Muffler (limited to Mustangs only).

The Holiday party and installation of new officers is tentatively set for January 12. The exact time and location will be determined as soon as possible and all club members will be notified.

Our membership now totals 33 with the addition of two new members from Helena; Tim Green and Joe Thomas. Also joining since the last newsletter were; Jack and Marjorie Peoples of Cut Bank; and Carl and Luanna Rigg of Rudyard. We welcome you to our club.

Misfortune also struck one of our members as it was announced that Brad Hjelm's 1966 coupe had been stolen. When it was recovered, all glass was broken and the body was severely damaged. Club members with any extra parts or time are urged to contact Brad. A lot of time and effort had gone into this car and such senseless destruction saddens all of us.

Our National Board of Director representative for 1980 is Lee Cigler.

We hope to see everyone at the party in January. 1979 has been a good year for the Treasure State Mustang Club, but let's all work together to make 1980 even better.

Jan Lovec, Secy.-Treas.

GULF COAST REGIONAL MUSTANG CLUB

Happy Holidays to all from the Gulf Coast Regional Mustang Club.

About 25 of us went up to Atmore Dragway on November 4th and had a really good time, although we were hoping for more members to have shown up. Ten cars competed in a race set up especially for our group by Mr. T. Owens, owner of the track. Two of the ten cars were driven by girls. I took home the first place trophy and second place went to Johnny Campbell. Hopefully, because a girl won, it will give the incentive to more guys in our group to participate next year, and try to take my championship. It really wasn't that scary, my legs finally stopped shaking right before the fifth and final race! Mr. Owens suggested we get together with the Corvette Club in Pensacola next year and race against them. That ought to be an easy win for us!

The weekend after Thanksgiving, our club was hired to help in the Antique and Classic Car Auction. We had a good turnout from our members who volunteered their time Saturday and Sunday. We were in charge of driving and lining up the cars to be auctioned, wiping them off (it rained all weekend) and selling tickets at the gate. The whole thing went pretty smoothly, thanks to all of our hard-working volunteers. Our club treasury is \$700 richer because of it.

Other events coming up in the near future are three parades and our first Christmas party.

I would just like to take a little more space in this publication to, on behalf of our club, thank Anne and Bob McNeal for the tremendous amount of time and effort that they have put into making our club one of the best around. Without them, it would have never been.

Happy 1980!

Karen L. Cunningham, Secretary

VOLUNTEER REGIONAL GROUP

The October 19th meeting of the Volunteer Regional Group began with the officers' reports which were read and approved.

The Hillbilly Car Show participants were recognized and we are proud of each one that participated and the winners.

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Our meetings, beginning in November, will begin at 7 p.m. due to the time change.

At the November meeting we will be voting for new officers. A nominating committee was formed. The members are: Richard Buckner, Wayne Pearson Carol Schultz and Pennie Owen.

Howard Johnsons will be the headquarters for the National Show. Best Western will be the second choice. The rooms will run \$27.00 per room. Buddy's Barbeque will cater the banquet and there will be no get together on Friday night. Members of our club will be available to show our guests a nice place to eat. Entry fee will be \$10. Deadline for entry is May 10th.

The Halloween Party was held at Pennie and Doug's house on October 26th. Everyone had a great time. We want to thank Pennie and Doug for having us as their guests and for all the hard work put into the party.

The plans for the Christmas Banquet will be announced at the November meeting. The committee members are: Mary Jo Thomas, Pennie Owen, Carol Pearson, Beatrice Satterfield and Becky Scarbrough.

Becky Scarbrough, Sec'y.



Our meeting was called to order by John Haskin, President. He announced that beginning tonight we would try a new procedure for conducting our meetings. In the future, we will be following a procedure derived from "Robert's Rules of Order".

Minutes from the previous meeting were ready by secretary, Glenda Golip. The minutes were accepted as read with the exception of the announcement of the Roster's appearing in the November newsletter. The Roster will not be ready until late November.

The treasurer's and chairperson's reports were given by Sharon Stephenson. Sharon asked that anyone with candy money still outstanding to please turn it in as soon as possible.

Our editors, Don and Ruby Gillespie, reported that our Roster is going to print later this month and anyone not wanting their phone number in the Roster should contact them no later than Saturday, November 17th.

Jerry Ostalecki, our national representative, read a letter from the National newsletter which he had written.

Jerry announced that the Judging Rules were in the process of being changed, and probably will be completed by the first of the year, if not sooner. The judges are also in the process of being certified through testing.

There was no report from Gary Schweitzer our regional correspondent.

Nominations were opened for President and Show Chairperson. Glenda nominated John Haskin for another term as president and Archie Cowan seconded the motion. John accepted. We still need a volunteer for Show Chairperson.

Sharon Stephenson discussed the Cabin Fever Party coming up in March, 1980. She suggested the train ride to dinner at the Gandy Dancer in Ann Arbor, as it was enjoyed by everyone last year. But, if any of you have any other suggestions, PLEASE let us know.

A vote was taken to determine if we should have a December meeting. By a large margin, we will have our regular membership meeting on December 11th.

John announced that Bob Ford on Michigan Avenue in Dearborn is giving a 25% discount to club members on parts (\$5.00 minimum purchase). Just show your membership card, and if you have a problem, ask for Ed Summers.

We next had our Shop & Swap period.

The 50/50 drawing brought in \$35.00. \$1750 for the club and \$17.50 for Gary Schweitzer.

Glenda Golip, Sec'y.

CENTRAL SOUTH CAROLINA REGIONAL GROUP

I realize that many of you have been wondering what has happened to that group in Columbia. We have not expired, rather growing steadily. There at present 122 members in our group and we have new ones every meeting. Our regular meeting place has been and will continue to be for the next few meetings, the Grey-stone Restaurant. They offer us a pleasant buffet lunch for \$4.50 and free use of their meeting room. The meeting times are lunch from 12:00 to 2:00 followed by a business meeting which adjourns to the parking lot where a lot of hood-lifting and Mustang talk goes on.

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The November meeting held on the 4th, had 50 members and 22 Mustangs turn out. This has to have been our best meeting as member input. The homecoming parades at Brookland-Cayce and Richland Northeast high schools caused a great deal of discussion. They were held in October. The BC parade had 7 members' cars. Those drop-top Ponies took the limelight away from the plastic cars made by some unmentionable company. The RNE parade featured only Mustang convertibles and there were 12 of them. Many thanks to those members who worked on their fine cars to show them off to the football crowd. Special thanks go to Martha Zion and Clyde Moye for organizing these events and making them a success.

Nominations of our group offices for 1980 were opened at the meeting. They remain open until our December meeting to be held December 2nd at Greystone Restaurant. Elections will be held at that meeting with the results to be announced and the new officers installed at the Christmas party. Nominated thus far are: President-Ernie Webster; V.P.-Gary Byrd, Ernie Meadows & Craig Zion; Treasurer-Larry Harrell and Secretary-Martha Zion.

Many members of CSCRMCA will be participating in the Christmas parade at Gaston, S.C. It is to be held December 15th. Interested members should contact Alex Geiger, local member #39, for further details (if he hasn't contacted you already). Our members spend a lot of time on the phone organizing these activities and should be commended for it.

Christmas is a time of celebration and fellowship and the CSCRMCA saw no reason to be left out. Therefore, we are having a Christmas party. This will be a family event to be held at American Legion Hut #79. We will be mailing out maps to the members a little closer to the date which is December 14th at 7:30 until ? The club is furnishing the place, soft drinks, ice and cups. Those wishing libations should BYOB. Members are asked to bring some type of snack, such as chips & dip or brownies, etc. DeKay Moore will provide a phonograph and some records for our listening pleasure. Members should feel free to bring their favorite record of carols or what have you. We can all look forward to a fun evening and remember, this is a family gathering so bring along the kids that can stay up after 8:00 p.m.

The CSCRMCA has experienced some growing pains due to our rapid growth. Things are now falling into place as well as the organization has improved. It's hard to get to know 122 people, spouses and children in a few months, but as we do things together, we enjoy we find new Mustang activities we can participate in. Participation is the key to a successful club and we are getting it now by the ton.

Anyone wishing to contact the CSCRMCA (I love that abbreviation!) can write to: Central South Carolina Regional Group of The Mustang Club of America
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Craig R. Zion
Acting Secretary

VOLUNTEER REGIONAL GROUP

The September meeting of the Volunteer Regional Group began with the officers' reports which were read and approved.

We were glad to have with us Don Wolfe, Ernie Stout and Max Epps from Kingsport. They gave us some real valuable pointers on having a national show. We really appreciate their coming, and we're sure we will need to call upon them again before the show's over.

We have been approved by the Board of Directors in Atlanta to have the Eastern National '80 Show which will be held in the Almart Parking Lot on Clinton Highway. We are trying to get Howard Johnson's as headquarters and Buddy's Barbeque to cater the banquet.

A drive and picnic to Cove Lake was planned for September 30th. Everyone was to meet at the Almart Parking Lot on Clinton Highway at 9:30.

Becky Scarbrough, Secretary