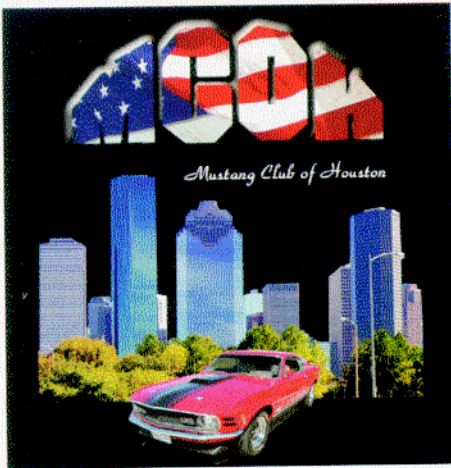


# Mustang Club of Houston's 14th Annual Spring Open

by Pete Sigwardt



Ronald Woods' 1970 Mach 1 was chosen by Freeway Ford for the Dealership Choice Award.



Fred 7 Shuai Snyder's Red 1965 Fastback was chosen for the Peoples' Choice Award.



L-R: Pete Sigwardt's Saleen/Parnelli Jones Edition, Ed Hockaday's '70 Boss 302, Mustang Mania owner Russell Suggs' vintage 1970 Boss 302 racer.

James Scharp, son of Tony Scharp, proudly displays a Class Winner Award in front of his father's DPS Mustang.

The Mustang Club of Houston held its 14th Annual Spring Open Car Show at our host dealership Freeway Ford on April 1, 2007. The day started overcast and the streets were wet from the overnight rain. That didn't dampen spirits as cars started rolling in for the show at regular intervals after the 8:00 a.m. registration start time. Soon the skies cleared of the clouds, the streets dried, and we enjoyed a beautiful warm spring day for the show. Our host dealer, Freeway Ford, had cleared most of their front lot for our show, and we soon had to ask them to clear a bit more of the lot as cars kept arriving. By lunchtime we had about 70 cars to judge. Regular door prize drawings and visits to the vendor booths kept our car show guests busy as the judges made the rounds to score the great array of entrants.

Ed Hockaday represents our club as a National Director on the MCA Board. Ed is always helpful in answering questions from our members about upcoming National MCA events, technical judging issues and general MCA happenings. For our event he brought out his award-winning Wimbledon White 1970 Boss 302 for display. Parked next to his car at the show were a new 2007 Parnelli Jones Limited Edition owned by one of our members, and a vintage 1970 Parnelli Jones look-alike Trans-Am racer owned by Russell Suggs, our associated sponsor—Mustang Mania of Katy, Texas. What a neat display that made for our participants!

Beautifully detailed cars were in abundance allowing our participants to enjoy a wonderful day of looking at the cars and talking with the owners. Thanks to our host dealership, a hot lunch was served up to all participants. While some of the participants enlisted Ed's advise and counsel for input on their cars for upcoming national MCA shows, the judges finished their work and trophies were lined up for the presentations. Special Award's were also to be presented for People's Choice, Dealership Choice, and outside Club Participation.

By mid afternoon everyone gathered for the awards. Our Club President Les Blankenship presided over the ceremonies and soon all the winners had their trophies prepared by our associate sponsor Crown Trophy. Success again! Enjoy some of the Mustang Club of Houston event by viewing the pictures and web site at [www.mcoh.org](http://www.mcoh.org) and feel the hospitality we hoped to provide all our 2007 Spring Car Show participants. We were also pleased to sign up some new members and invited all to attend our Monthly Meetings held at 2:00 p.m. the third Sunday of every month at Freeway Ford. We look forward to having everyone return for our fall event.

