

THIRD IS THE CHARM



My Mustang was purchased just one day before the photo was taken. This is my first Mustang and, up to now, I have always been a non-owner Mustang fan.

I read your invitation to send a photo of "My Mustang" in the January '09 issue. I learned photography in 1974 as a diversion from my profession as a primary care physician assistant. I just became a member of the club two months ago.

This Mustang is our 3rd car. My wife, Cindy, and I enjoy taking it out for a gallop on nice days. It is such a fun car to drive. I am always surprised when I get so many positive comments from 10- to 80-year-old guys and dolls.

The photo location is along the Columbia Gorge near Goldendale, Washington. The structure in the background is a replica of Stonehenge. It is actually a World War I memorial to fallen soldiers who were from the Goldendale area.

I have owned many cars and this Blue Bullit is on top of my owners satisfaction list. Mustangs for everyone!

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MANDALAY BAY DISPLAY

In May of 2008, my husband Les and I were advised we would be relocating to Las Vegas, NV, from our home in Alamogordo, NM. To make a long story short, it turned out to be a temporary work assignment. Not knowing this initially, we decided to join the local Mustang club. The folks from the Mustang Club of Las Vegas welcomed us with open arms, despite the fact that our Mustangs were still in New Mexico and we drove our 2004 Ford Pickup. We referred to our truck as our GT-150. We did eventually get the 1971 Coupe out to Vegas with us in July. Around July, MCLV President Larry Garaffa was asked by the folks at Barrett-Jackson Car Auctions to place some classic Mustangs on display for their their Inaugural Las Vegas Auction at Mandalay Bay Hotel and Casino on October, 16-18, 2008. Larry asked my husband if he wanted to display his '71 and, of course, my husband promptly jumped on the opportunity. The cars would be displayed for six days and, as you might imagine, not everyone wants to give up their 'Stang for that long.

The club needed five cars and had four volunteers, so my husband offered up our friends and their '70 Boss 302 clone, from NM, which Larry agreed to. My husband called Terry and Patricia Stevenson, from the Alamogordo Mustang Club and they agreed. (I am not sure if there were any protests by Terry or Patricia but it was not an option.) We trailered the Boss out to Vegas on Monday, getting about eight mpg in horrific winds all the way there.

The guys drove the cars into Mandalay Bay—across the carpet and marble floors no-less—to their roped off places in the Conference Center. That night the cars got the royal treatment by the folks from Mothers' Car Care products, who polished them to glaring perfection. My hubby, Les, also volunteered to drive the cars across the auction block—he was in absolute HEAVEN! We all got passes into the three days of auctions and had a wonderful time.

Our Mustangs were admired by thousands of car people and tourists alike, what an honor! I think this was the highlight of our Mustang events to date, but hanging out with such great car people, I'm sure there will be many more to come.

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