



ADIRONDACK SHELBY MUSTANG CLUB OF NEW YORK



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The Adirondack Shelby Mustang Club, sponsored by Jack Byrne Ford & Mercury, holds its annual car show each August at the dealership in Mechanicville, New York. The event features all years of Mustangs as well as other Ford/Mercury entries. The show is open to all makes and models, but is dominated by Ford Mustangs.

Over the past few years, newer Mustangs have been filling up the late model classes. The club recently voted to split the newest classes to accommodate this surge in popularity. Members of the club have been encouraging participation in order to get the younger crowd involved. The Eleanor Mustang also drew quite a crowd last year when it was backed out of its special trailer.

Each year, the car show awards feature personalized plaques, which are always a hit with the winners. Club members personally deliver the plaques, with the winners' names engraved, a few weeks after the show. Throughout the year, members also participate in other club events, including: a Make-a-Wish Picnic for kids and their families, an Adopt-an-



Angel Booth during the Holiday season, bi-weekly Cruise Nights at a local drive-in restaurant, and an annual Mustang Weekend at a mountain resort.

At the conclusion of the show, a group picture was taken in front of the dealership with all attending members (current membership is about 70) and Mr. Jack Byrne (center right, kneeling). The two green Mustangs featured in the photograph are a 1966 Coupe (owned by Walt Dugan, father) and a 2005 Convertible (owned by Nicole Dugan, daughter).

