

Mary Jean,

I purchased my 2009 45th Anniversary Mustang in June of 2008. Since that time I feel it has become the "forgotten Mustang." Some folks called it a just 2008 with a 45th emblem stuck on the fender, that could be true for other carry over years as well. Some folks don't even acknowledge the whole generation of '05 to '09, they believe Ford stopped making "real" Mustangs in 1969.

Ford didn't put much effort in promoting the '09, they wanted a big splash for the 2010. But, if you do the math right the '09 is the 45th Mustang, not the 2010.

So when I opened the June issue of *Mustang Times* and looked at the article on the 45th Mustang Celebration, I was shocked. The judged class winners showed a class for Original or Modified 2005-2008. Where there no 2009 Mustangs at the MCA show or allowed to be judged? The pace car was the 2010?

In the mean time, I enjoy my special Mustang. By the way, many options I looked at on a 2008 became standard in 2009. At least Ford got that right.

—Name withheld upon request

Hello,

You touched upon a subject that was of much discussion amongst some people at Ford Motor Company as well as some enthusiasts. There are people who feel that the 1965 Mustang was the first model, thus the 2010 would be the 45th Anniversary edition. However, every true Mustang enthusiast knows that the 1964 1/2 was the true first, and thus the 2009 Mustang should be recognized as

the 45th. That being said, we were celebrating the anniversary of the Mustang in general, not a particular model year. The hype about the new 2010 Mustang did, in my humble opinion, overshadow the 2009. I don't honestly feel it was the forgotten Mustang, but it was overlooked. Not because it's not worthy of as much attention as ALL other Mustangs, just because of the newness of the 2010.

I know that there are many who may have differing opinions, and that's OK too! We are all entitled to our opinion without looking down on those who disagree.

As far as the judging, I will not even attempt to give an answer. Not being a certified Judge, I fall short on knowledge in their area, and I don't want to mislead. Thus, I've forwarded a copy of your letter to the Head Judge for the 45th Anniversary Celebration. I will print the response in the August issue.

-Ed.

Hi MJ,

While reading the March 2009 issue of *Mustang Times* (nice job as usual) I quickly was drawn to the new MCA logo on the cover. As the person responsible for the design and production of the Mustang Car Club of New England (MCCNE) 30th anniversary logo and the new MCCNE logo I think I tend to have special interest in yours. Whoever is responsible for the design did a nice job while keeping it fresh yet simple.

How would I go about getting a couple of new MCA window decals? I am about to have a new windshield installed

in my Mustang and would like to apply the new decal to the new windshield.

Please let me know if this is something you could help me out with.

Thanks again,
Jack Murphy

Hi Jack,

Although your letter came in a month or so ago, I waited to answer until I had proper information to share.

First, thanks for the compliments on the magazine. It's a labor of love for me and for Bryan, who puts forth much effort in the layout and design of each issue, from cover to cover, including ads.

By the way, your design for the MCCNE is a home run as well. (The Yankee home run version)! As for the MCA logo and the new decals, until the MCA used all remaining decals with the former logo, which was a financially responsible thing to do, the new logo was not made into window decals.

I've spoken with Kristie, MCA's office manager and so much more, she now has permanent window decals in stock with the new logo.

Those desiring new decals should contact her by phone at 850.438.0626 or via email at mustang@mustang.org.
-Ed.

We would like to hear what's on your mind. Send your letters via e-mail to: editor@mustang.org or via USPS to: Letters to Editor c/o MUSTANG TIMES 2500 Drane Field Road, Suite 111 Lakeland, Florida 33811

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