

REGIONAL GROUP NEWS

Birmingham Mustang Club

We met on January 4, 1981 and the meeting was called to order by president Terry Harris. We had a very good attendance at this meeting. We discussed our upcoming show in the World of Wheels on February 6-8. Applications were taken for the cars to be entered in this show. We also routed several volunteer sheets for help with the details of the show.

We discussed the Modified class judging rules and sent a letter to the national Mustang Club with some of our objections to these rules. We got our first newsletter out this month and thanks to Preston Fussel for his hard work on this project.

Work has begun on restoring the Mustang we plan to raffle at our show in June. We discussed several fund raisers to help finance part of our show (The Dixie National) to be held June 4-6, 1981. We hope all of you will be able to come and take part in this show. Ad sales have begun for this show and seem to be going well. We added a new member to our club and had several visitors in attendance. Our club has really begun to grow and we are very proud of this. That's all for this month.

Pat George
Newsletter Editor

Carolina Region Mustang Club

The year 1981 is expected to be a big year for the Carolina Region Club. The club has devoted 1981 as a year of promotion and participation. New officers are:

Chris Ziegler - *President*
Bill Harris - *Vice President*
Dino J. DiMeo - *Secretary*
Bill Widenhouse - *Treasurer*
Howard Craig - *National Director*
Don Raborn - *Parliamentarian*

After the clubs first meeting many ideas emerged and were discussed. Club members were assigned the task of getting more information on each event and returning with the results to the next meeting. Among the events the club plans to participate in are the Custom Car Show at the Charlotte Civic Center, Eastern Regional Mustang Show at Columbia, South Carolina, a parade lap at the World 600 (possibly), the Grand Nationals at Kingsport, Tennessee, the Carolina Carousel Parade at Thanksgiving, Antique Automobile Club of America events, and various other small parades and events in the surrounding communities.

The club cordially invites prospective members and guests to attend any of its meetings or events by writing the club or calling:

Dino J. DiMeo, 1122F Pebblestone Way, Gastonia, North Carolina 28052, (704) 866-9068 from 9 to 11 p.m.

Dino J. DiMeo
Secretary

Central South Carolina Regional Group

The first meeting of the CSCRMCA in the new year was held on the 4th. Everyone seemed to have recovered reasonably well from the holiday season. The attendance was good, in spite of unseasonably cold weather and the playoff games. The door prize raffle brought in \$37 for the club; Tom Hall won a Mustang key chain and Billy Reardon won a Mustang necklace. Many of our members paid their '81 dues. All of our memberships came due on January 1st. We will be sending out reminders to all members this month.

The 2nd annual CSCRMCA Christmas party was held on the 13th at the NCO Club. Forty of our members enjoyed a prime rib dinner and dancing to a swing-type band. I was able to be incognito by donning a coat and tie. You folks who missed it will just have to wait until next year. The Mr. & Mrs. Mustang 1980 award went to Martha and I for having the highest score in our points participation system. The club also gave a plaque of special thanks to Clyde Moye for all the extra work he has done for us these past two years. We certainly are lucky to have Clyde in our organization.

On December 14th, while some of us were a bit bleary-eyed from the night before, we had 9 Mustangs and 3 Shelys in the Boiling Springs Christmas parade. This was our second year in helping with the parade there and we all had a good time. After the parade Bob Oswalt had us over to his house to give his new garage/shop a proper "wettin' down." I understand that Bob will sell the negatives to those pictures so they will not show up and haunt later.

I talked with many members at the meeting who have already put in for their vacation time to be the second week in May. This includes, of course, the 8th - 10th, the weekend of the Eastern National Show. I hope that MCA members around the country are doing the same. We are working hard putting together a really good show and look forward to hosting Mustangers from all over the country. Come to Carolina, you'll be glad you did.

With the show not far away, we need to get more of our people certified as judges. I will be getting some rule books and test forms together and am planning on holding a workshop of judging sometime next month. Please get in touch with me or Ernie Meadows if you are interested in becoming a judge and helping us out come show time.

After we adjourned the parking lot swapping was short, due to the cold wind. CSCRMCA members are reminded that our next meeting will be on February 1st.

Craig R. Zion
Correspondence Chairman

First Tennessee Regional Group

The January meeting was called to order by president Ernie Stout. Ticket sales are reported progressing well on the Mustang to be given away. Anyone wishing to purchase a ticket should send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Charlie Carey, P.O. Box 26, Church Hill, Tennessee 37642. Tickets are \$1 each.

The type and organization of the program to be used for

the 1981 Grand National was discussed. A final decision on this matter will be made later.

The Johnson City Mall manager will be contacted about the possibility of our group having a show there in the near future.

It was decided that any member wishing to buy or sell cars or parts should write the ad on a 3x5" note card and place it on the bulletin board at the beginning of each meeting.

We welcome as new members to our club, Archer and Judy Blevins from Johnson City, Tennessee.

Next meeting will be held at 7:00 P.M., February 26, at Anderson Ford.

Richard J. Marcus
Secretary

Hoosier Mustang Club

The Hoosier Mustang Club met at Ponderosa Steakhouse on January 14, 1981, and was presided over by our new president, Dale Kessler. Other officers for 1981 are:

Ted Bowman - *Vice President*
Susan Adams - *Secretary/Treasurer*
Bill Trimpe - *National Director*

Activities were discussed for the coming year, including a cobweb tour, a trip to Kentucky, and a possible trip to Nashville. A schedule is being prepared and will be ready within the next few weeks.

Our meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month at Ponderosa Steakhouse in Columbus, Indiana. We would like to invite anyone interested to join us at these meetings or on any of our drives.

Susan Adams
Secretary/Treasurer

Mid-America Regional Group

Our first meeting of the new year was held Sunday, January 4th, at the Flora Savings and Loan. We decided on February and March as membership drive months. The member bringing in the most new members will receive a gift.

Petitions were circulated on whether or not to let cars with non-Ford drivetrains into national competition. All members were opposed.

The board of directors meetings were set for every other month. They will be held at 1:30 on the same day as the group meetings.

The club has decided to try and get a sample of the Mustang jewelry so that members can look it over before ordering.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, February 1st at the Washington Savings 'n Loan in Effingham. The board of directors will meet there at 1:30.

The top three members for 1980 were announced. Each received a trophy. Monty and Tammy Shehorn received first place, Mark and Karen Shehorn received second, and Steve and Janice Haarman received third.

Chuck Von Bokel talked about a couple of money raising ideas, and our new library system. These ideas will be dis-

cussed further at our next meeting. With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Tammy Shehorn
Secretary

Mustangs of Memphis

The meeting was called to order by president Haroll Doty. The new 1981 officers were introduced to the club members who were not at the last meeting.

It was suggested that the club get name buttons for the members to wear at club functions. A representative from National Auto Parts spoke to the club concerning a discount program.

Then elections were held to elect five board of directors. The results are as follows:

Joe Greer
Steve Kopley
Gary Bishop
Ed Ziques
G. W. McNutt

Our car show at the Cook Convention Center was very successful. Eight club members showed their cars and all received various awards in their classes.

It was decided that a board of directors meeting would be held the following Tuesday. The slides from the Christmas party were shown.

With no other business at hand the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Robin May
Secretary

North Jersey Mustang Club

On January 7, 1981, president John Griffith opened our meeting with 26 people present. He was proud to announce that he had received the club charter dated Dec. 9, 1980, which now recognizes us as a regional member.

Thanks to Tony Crisofulli, from the Dupont Automotive Refinishing Products, who gave a very informative talk on automobile refinishing, showed two films, and conducted a question and answer session.

Immediately following we held a 50/50 raffle where twenty-one dollars was collected. Ten-fifty went to Fred Immediato, the rest went into the club treasury. T-shirts and other miscellaneous items were then raffled off. Membership cards were handed out to paid-up members. Two new applicants paid dues.

Then we discussed plans to hold a car show and swap meet at the end of May. We talked also about having road rallies and other events in the spring. Activities were discussed for our upcoming meetings. Our February 11th meeting will have a speaker from Lee's Mustang Parts, Cinnaminson, New Jersey, who will speak to us on Mustang parts.

In closing, Joe Caimpi gave our treasurer's report. With no further business we adjourned.

Terry Hopping
Secretary

Rocket City Mustang Club

Two meetings were held in January on the 6th and 20th. The meetings were opened by Buddy Blackwell with a welcome to all visitors and new members.

Opposition to the new Modified class ruling of optional drivetrains other than Ford was discussed. A petition opposing the ruling was available for members to sign if they so desired.

Dan Case discussed a possible car show at one of the local malls. The majority preferred not to show at Parkway City Mall again this year and decided an outdoor show, a one or two day event, would be better. Several locations were suggested, including the Alabama Space and Rocket Center. Dan will be checking into these and will present this information at the next meeting.

Suggestions for programs for the months of February and March were discussed. The "Special Tools" program planned for February will be postponed until March. The program for February will be on "Body Repair and Painting." It will be presented by David Hall of Automotive Customs. Mr. Hall has had several years experience as an instructor in body repair.

A nominating committee for selection of a slate of officers for 1981 was chosen. They were: Jan Boggs, Glen Black, and Bruce Beaufait.

The Birmingham Club will be holding the "Heart of Dixie National" in June. We have offered our support to them in preparing for the event. They will be sending us information in the coming months on how we can participate in the preparation of the show. A 1966 Mustang coupe (289 automatic) will be given away at the show. Tickets will be \$1. Please let Buddy know how many you need.

The January program was presented by Buddy Blackwell on January 6th. It was a color slide presentation on the "Differences between 1964½, 1965, and 1966 Mustangs." The program was excellent.

Each meeting was adjourned after the usual swapping of parts.

Jean Winn
Secretary

Scenic City Regional Group

The February meeting of the Scenic City Regional Group was held on Tuesday, the 3rd, at Shoney's on Brainerd Road at 7:30 p.m.

Our president, Jerry Breeden, called the meeting to order. Jack Deaton of Forrest Cate Ford was introduced. Forrest Cate Ford will sponsor the 2nd Annual Invitational Show on March 5-7. Cars will begin arriving on Thursday night. There will be 51 trophies given and a "Dealer's Choice" award. Drawings will be held and door prizes will be given to every car owner.

Discussion was made on how to determine whose cars will be put in the showroom. Teresa Cahelly had the idea of putting one car for each model year, plus one Shelby and one Boss. This will be 12 cars, the showroom limit. The dealer will

choose from each model year for the showroom. This seemed to be the only fair way to do it. There will be a clean-up area at the show site. We also will have radio, tv, and newspaper advertising. Posters will be printed and distributed. All cars pre-entered will receive a dash plaque.

Discussion also was made about food and drinks. We will try to get a Coke trailer from the Coca-Cola plant. Hot dogs and potato chips also will be served.

Jerry Breeden announced the Northgate Mall show will be September 18-19.

Bob Hamilton had the idea of having someone speak about different model Mustangs at the meetings.

Howard Brown announced an antique car show at Northgate Mall on March 12-14.

John Henderson was elected for the National Board of Directors by the members of the club.

Cecil Wilson was recognized for a newspaper article about his 1966 Mustang GT coupe.

Attendance was set to 6 meetings and 1 local event to attend the 1981 Christmas banquet.

A motion was made by J. W. Gowin, seconded and approved, to adjourn the February 3, 1981, meeting.

Sharon Eidson
Secretary

Treasure State Mustang Club

After a fairly nice snow storm on Saturday night we had a good turn out for our Sunday, February 8th, meeting. Each board member was given a planning book listing areas of responsibility and tasks to be accomplished prior to, during, and after the International Meet. There is much to be done and each member is urged to help when called upon. It will take all of us becoming more involved to really put on the biggest International Meet ever.

As a fund raising project the club is having a garage sale on February 21st at Lee Cigler's home. All club members are asked to bring any and all items you wish to donate to 1500 I West Hill Drive by 7:45 on February 21. All proceeds will go into the Second Annual International Mustang Meet savings account. A second garage sale will be held on March 14 at Carl Gocksch's, 4400 7 Avenue So. This is for two reasons. First, anyone who didn't have opportunity to donate for the first one can do so at this time and secondly, to clear out anything that is left over from the first garage sale. So lets clear out the garage, attic, basement, and storage shed and have some fun.

On March 28 and 29 the 10th annual swap meet takes place here in Great Falls. The Treasure State Mustang Club has two tables reserved and will have a lot of hard-to-find goodies for all years of Mustangs for sale. Other clubs can place items for sale on our table and a 10 percent fee for sold items will be charged. We'll have a \$1 raffle going on at our table and the winner should enjoy a nice price.

At 6:30 Saturday night, after the swap meet closes, the Treasure State Mustang Club would like to meet with representatives from each Mustang Club to bring everyone up to date as to what has been accomplished and what needs to be

done as far as the International Meet is concerned. This meeting will be held at Victor's Restaurant located on the 2nd floor of the Great Falls International Airport Terminal. Please let me know in advance how many plan to attend from each club.

Our next meeting, March 8, 1981, will be at 2 p.m. at Lee Cigler's home, 1500 1 West Hill Drive, and after the business meeting there will be a pot-luck dinner. Anyone coming may bring a salad; Judy and Lee will furnish coffee and hot dish. The single people may bring potato chips, rolls, or whatever. That's all for now!

Lee Cigler
Publicity Chairman

Volunteer Regional Group

Our January meeting held at Buddie's Bar-B-Que was called to order by president Doug Owen. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read.

The new hour for our meetings will be 7:30. This will help our long distance travelers.

We discussed communications among club members and there were many suggestions for our problem. We will consider and act quickly on improving our communications. There was also an announcement about a coming car show. January is a month to make plans and set goals. Our club wants to try to have some type of get-together each month.

We voted to buy 20 raffle tickets for \$20 from the Kingsport club for their car raffle.

Next meeting we will bring the serial nos. from our 'stangs to decode them to be sent in to the "In Search of Mustangs"

project.

Pennie H. Owen
Secretary

National Board Minutes

The January 17, 1981, meeting of the board of directors was called to order by the president George White.

Due to the absence of the treasurer, no treasurer's report was given.

A correction was made to the December 9, 1980, minutes. The Birmingham, Alabama, Show was incorrectly given as June 12-14, 1981. The correct date for the Birmingham, Alabama, Show will be June 5-7, 1981.

Directors attending from out of town were:

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Spradlin from Birmingham, Alabama
Mr. and Mrs. Craig Zion from Columbia, South Carolina

All of the new officers and new directors for 1981 were introduced by Sam Bright, our new chairman of the board.

Starting with the old business, president George White informed the board of the many complaints received from various regional groups about the possibility of allowing other than Ford drivetrain into the Modified class. Since no final decision had been made by the judging committee, it was voted on and approved that no drivetrain other than Ford would be allowed. Completion of the judging rules was turned over to the judging committee with instructions to allow nothing but Ford drivetrain.

Since this was a national officers and directors installation dinner, new business pressing was postponed until the February meeting.

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