

IN SEARCH OF MUSTANGS

Hello from Salisbury, Maryland! I have settled here on the Delmarva Peninsula and the "In Search" project is back in full swing! Our trip east from Oklahoma was indeed very nice with the sighting of many beautiful Mustangs along the way. We took I40 east all the way through Oklahoma, Arkansas and Tennessee, and I81 up through Virginia to the Washington, D.C., area. East Tennessee is not only famous for beautiful Mustangs, but the nicest people you'd ever want to meet. By this I mean Max Epps and his wife Bernise. Max, I want to thank you both for a fantastic time. Max is the former MCA Regional Group Director and we can all thank him for the tremendous growth of MCA. I had the opportunity to meet some folks from the First Tennessee Regional Group (also the first MCA Regional Group).

In thinking about eastern Tennessee, don't forget about the MCA 1981 Grand National being held in Kingsport, Tennessee, on August 5-7, 1981. I've had the opportunity to see where the meet will be held and it is a winner. Plenty of eating establishments, hotels, and motels close by not to mention the beautiful eastern Tennessee countryside, and world-famous recreational areas, too. Make your plans now to attend and I'm sure you won't be sorry.

One thing about this Mustang mania is that the possibilities are endless. So many of us are in another world at the national meets and local shows when we see the beautifully restored and original, well-preserved Mustangs and Shelbys. Has anyone given thought to the original "driven daily" Mustangs that have given their owners thousands

of miles of trouble-free service?

In the "In Search of Mustangs" project, I have had many nice letters from such owners with high mileage Mustangs. One letter received months ago came from a 1964½ hardtop owner. The owner resides in Columbia, South Carolina, and his Mustang has over 300,000 miles! This car is just one of many that I have received that have accumulated high mileage with no troubles. I have had no others with that high a mileage, but there are many with over 100,000 miles.

As my own 1967 Mustang hardtop (7T01C295675) approaches 150,000 miles, I often wonder how many others are in the same boat, or should I say some corral. My hardtop has given me over 50,000 miles of trouble-free service since I bought it in 1974.

Perhaps we could devote a column to such high mileage and even unusually low mileage Mustangs. Sure, most of the high mileage Mustangs that have been driven daily are tattered and torn and have their share of dents. This way, we can bring out the "Closet Mustangs" that no one will bring to the meets because they are "ashamed" of them. Even though many of these Mustangs won't turn heads, they will have been the most dependable Mustangs (obviously!) and are probably destined for restorations or the junk yard. Send a black and white photo of your pony and tell us all about it and what makes you proud of it.

Jim Smart
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