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On June 5-7, 1981, the Birmingham Mustang Club played host to the first Dixie National, the second Mustang Club of America national meet of the 1981 show season. The venue for the show was about as perfect as could be wished: a moderately large triangular parking lot next to the Century Plaza mall in the eastern part of the city. The best thing about the site is that it is bounded on one side by a steep hill and on another by a dropoff to a lower road-walkway. Only the smallest of the

three sides fronted a major road, and this arrangement made for an attractive, uncrowded show field with a clear distinction of where the parking ended and the show cars began.

It's hard for us to write a very definitive article on the show, for we were unable to attend but for a few short hours on Saturday. The attendance seemed to be up over Columbia and we were encouraged to see many new faces as well as many old friends and acquaintances. The cars were as well

restored as we have seen anywhere and continue to amaze us with their craftsmanship and condition.

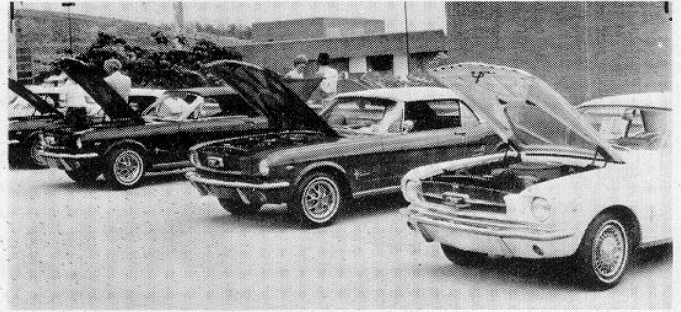
This story is to be told with pictures, for that is what we return home with, if there's not a trophy to gather dust on the matelpiece. Images are the things memories are made of and herein we present a few images of the 1981 Dixie National at Birmingham, Alabama.

Our thanks and congratulations to Rita Sale and the Birmingham Mustang Club for a job well done.



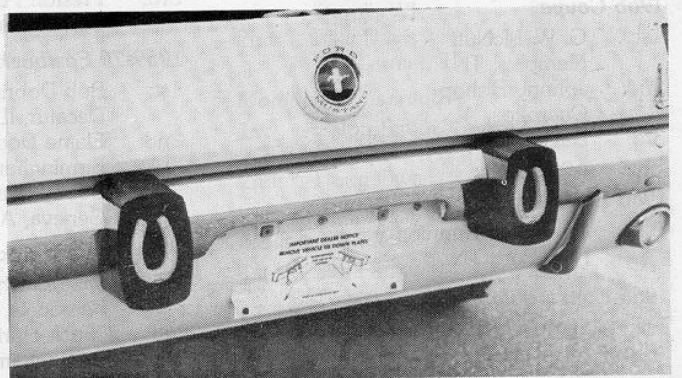
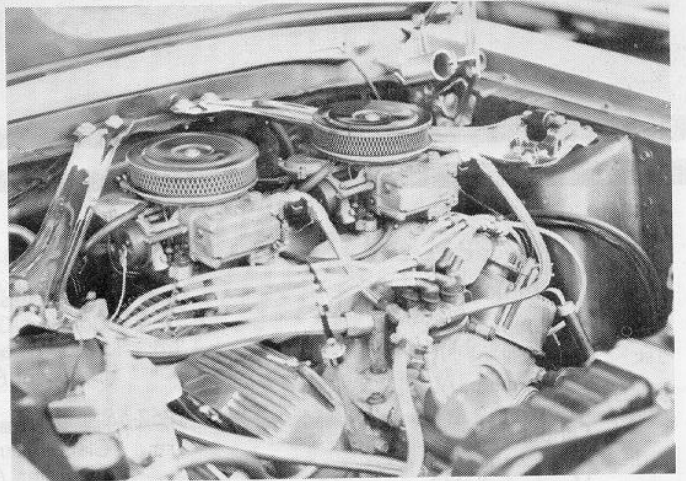
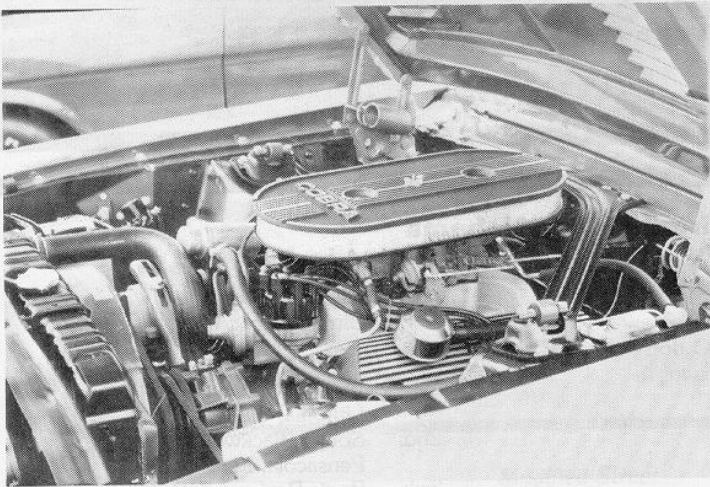
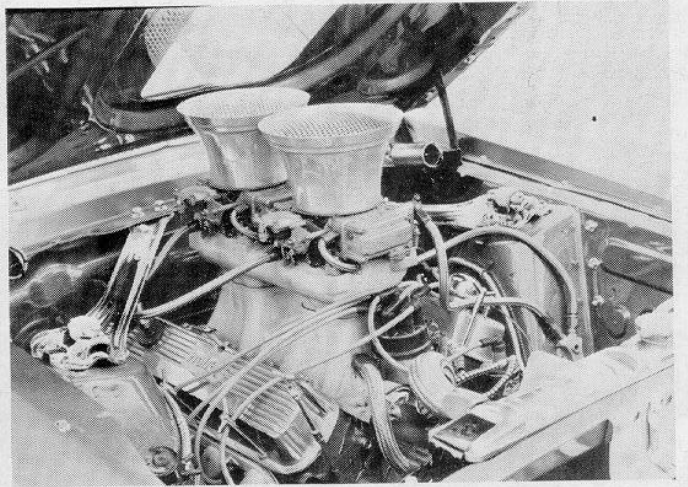
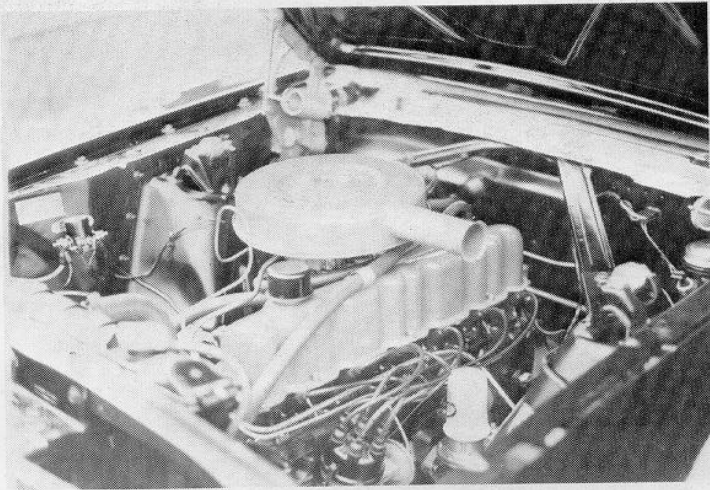
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1981 Dixie National, Birmingham, Alabama

Junior Division

1964½-65 Coupe

- 1st: Joe McNees
Birmingham, AL
2nd: Jim Wilson
Lithonia, GA
3rd: J. F. Ponder
Mendenhall, MS

1965 Fastback

- 1st: Horace Wood
Birmingham, AL
2nd: Ruth Ann Winchester
Lithonia, GA
3rd: Don Cox
Kingsport, TN

1964½-65 Convertible

- 1st: Joe Stillinger
Orangeburg, SC
2nd: Carol Stillinger
Orangeburg, SC
3rd: Charles Long
Decatur, AL

1966 Coupe

- 1st: G. W. McNutt
Memphis, TN
2nd: Johnny Bishop
Cherokee, AL
3rd: David Huffaker
Kodak, TN

1966 Fastback

- 1st: Jim & Joe Runnion
New Port, TN

1966 Convertible

- 1st: Sam Bright
Atlanta, GA

- 2nd: Tom Gattis
Conyers, GA
3rd: E. E. Wilson
Gadsden, AL

1967-68 Coupe

- 1st: Clay Holland
Alabaster, AL
2nd: Terry Harris
Birmingham, AL
3rd: Billy Vaughn
Knoxville, TN

1967-68 Fastback

- 1st: Alan Spradlin
Birmingham, AL
2nd: Stewart Henderson
Columbus, GA

1967-68 Convertible

- 1st: Perry Rivers
Harrisburg, NC
2nd: Kenneth Daniel
Orlando, FL
3rd: Preston Fussell
Birmingham, AL

1969-70 Fastback

- 1st: Bob Dobrinick
Decatur, IL
2nd: Elaine Dodson
Birmingham, AL
3rd: Bobby Seay
Geneva, AL

1971-73 Fastback

- 1st: Mike Batchelor
Pensacola, FL
2nd: Chuck Hurliman
Birmingham, AL

- 3rd: James Dodson
Birmingham, AL

1971-73 Convertible

- 1st: Brenda Wilson
Lithonia, GA
2nd: Sonya Blackwood
Pensacola, FL
3rd: Bertis Revis
Birmingham, AL

1965-66 Shelby

- 1st: Randy Saltis
Milton, FL
2nd: Leslie Mathison
Talladega, AL

1967-70 Shelby

- 1st: Bill Maney
Fayetteville, GA
2nd: Bill Maney
Fayetteville, GA
3rd: Charles Hayes
Elba, AL

Bosses

- 1st: Robert Perkins
Oconomowoc, WI
2nd: Bill Dillard
Calhoun, GA
3rd: Ken Groves
Dalton, GA

Street Driven to 20

- 1st: Gil Mauldin
Hueytown, AL
2nd: Sandra Spellman
Anniston, AL
3rd: Jimmy Hursh
Cropwell, AL



**Best of Show
Junior Division**

Stock

Robert Perkins
Oconomowoc, WI

**Best of Show
Senior Division**

Stock

Bob Overbey
Brentwood, TN

**Best of Show
Senior Division**

Modified

Jim Farlow
Fairburn, GA

Street Driven 20+

- 1st: Donna Rogers
- (tie) Pleasant Grove, AL
- 1st: Paul McClain
Pensacola, FL
- 2nd: Bob Haynes
(tie) Trussville, AL
- 2nd: Ken Dutton
Decatur, GA
- 3rd: Andrew J. Carter
(tie) Dothan, AL
- 3rd: Perry Blackwell
Huntsville, AL

Unrestored Coupe

- 1st: Joe George
(tie) Birmingham, AL
- 1st: Terry Harris
Birmingham, AL
- 2nd: Terry Harris
Birmingham, AL

Unrestored Fastback

- 1st: D. F. Landrum
Atlanta, GA
- 2nd: Craig Zion
Cayce, SC

Unrestored Convertible

- 1st: Ed Ansley
Lima, OH

Modified Street

- 1st: Robert Lamb
Musella, GA
- 2nd: Tom Bowman
Pleasant Grove, AL
- 3rd: Mike Murphree
Hot Springs, AK

Modified Conservative

- 1st: Greg Whitaker
Morristown, TN
- 2nd: Mike Tankersley
Cullman, AL

Senior Division

1964½-65 Coupe

- 1st: Bob Murphy
(tie) Knoxville, TN
- 1st: William Craig
Raeford, NC
- 2nd: Clarence Callier
Columbus, GA

1965-66 Fastback

- 1st: Barry Nease
Newport, TN
- 2nd: Bob Wood
Birmingham, AL

1964½-66 Convertible

- 1st: Walter Eubanks
Knoxville, TN

- 2nd: John Hall
Salem, IL

1969-70 Fastback

- 1st: Charles Breeden
Ooltewah, TN

1971-73 Convertible

- 1st: Bob Overbey
Brentwood, TN

Shelby

- 1st: Lamar Allen
Cleveland, GA
- 2nd: Charles Cross
Morristown, TN

Bosses

- 1st: Gary Schwartz
Merrill, WI
- 2nd: Billy Davis
Mt. Carmel, TN

Modified Conservative

- 1st: Ralph Smith
Kingsport, TN
- 2nd: Doug Owen
Knoxville, TN

Modified Radical

- 1st: Jim Farlow
Fairburn, GA
- 2nd: Ernest Stout
Kingsport, TN