

REGIONAL GROUP NEWS

Valley Forge Region

The Valley Forge Region of MCA opened the 1983 year with their first meeting January 6 at the Downington Savings & Loan Assoc. in Exton, Pa.

Events chairman Warren Perkins presented club members an active summer events calendar that included our second car show at Sloan Motors in Exton on May 21, a road run in June, parading our cars in Downington in July and possibly another car show at a local V.F.W. in September.

In appreciation of her outstanding help to the club, outgoing president Dick Matthews presented Natalie Gomez with a present to express his and the club's feelings for her efforts over the past two years.

In reference to the non-judging format that a lot of the clubs are now practicing, secretary Peg Wak and her husband Jim announced to the club and passed out a paper on their feelings which were echoed by the club that we should CONTINUE to judge and that the non-judging format discourages Mustang owners from bringing out the best in their cars. They plan to speak to the First Pennsylvania Club about the matter at their next meeting.

Guest speaker for the evening was Regional Director Pat Vassallo from Mid-County Mustang in Exton who gave an excellent talk on the value of Mustangs and determining their worth. Club members enjoyed the graphs and slides and followed the talk with a lot of questions and comments while trying to put a value on their own pony.

In February, Joseph Povey of Mathey-Bishop Co. spoke on the manufacture of catalytic converters.

Jim Aberts
President

Central New Jersey Mustang Club

The Central New Jersey Mustang Club held elections for new officers during the regular monthly meeting on January 11, 1983. The new officers are as follows: Kurt B. Kilichowski, president and regional director; Greg Vannoy, secretary and newsletter editor; Gary Fitton, treasurer.

The new administration is making plans to hold our first annual Mustang show this year. When a date for the show and a location are established we will forward this information to you.

Also, anyone in the Central New Jersey area wishing to participate in a regional group is welcome to join our club. For information contact Kurt Kilichowski (609) 890-2818 or Greg Vannoy (609) 466-1142.

Kurt B. Kilichowski
President

South Jersey Regional

The January meeting of the South Jersey Regional Mustang Club showed 28 members in attendance. The first order of business was election of officers for 1983. The are as

follows: president, Rich Riley; vice president, Barry Gruccio; treasurer, Pat Yacovelli; secretary, Tracy Shaub; club newsletter editor, Charles Van Leuven; special activities, Phil Hitchner; special events, Phil Hitchner, Mark Pavel and Leon Cuff.

Charles Van Leuven
Editor

First Pennsylvania Mustang Club

Our January meeting was led off by an excellent talk on classic car insurance by Jim Grundy of Grundy Classic Car Insurance. The members asked lots of questions and came away with a little better knowledge of insurance rates and stipulations.

Member Peggy Wak read a statement that she and her husband prepared on the trend of shows going to a non-judging format. They feel that it will take away the value of the Mustangs. The Club has decided to leave it up to the membership by vote on whether to judge the Coopersburg Car Show.

Program Director Tony Kulikowski suggested that instead of a car tour in the Spring that the club hold a road rally. Since Dale Bowes and Fred Glazier stated that they had participated in one, they and Walt Peifer and Tony K. will chair a committee and set one up. (That's what you get for raising your hands.)

Fred Glazier, National Director, read off the results of the national election of officers and First Pennsylvania would like to congratulate the 1983 officers of the MCA and assure them of our cooperation throughout the year.

Linda Bowes
Secretary

Carolina Region Mustang Club of America

The Carolina Region Mustang Club of America held its monthly meeting January 16, 1983, at the Western Steer Steakhouse in Charlotte, N.C., with 17 present.

The Club discussed upcoming events and program subjects for future meetings. The officers for the year 1983 were elected. They are president, Jack Setzer; vice president, Darrell Cline; national director, Percy Rivers.

There were six cars from our club entered in the National Show in Valley Forge, Pa. in September. The cars received four first place and two second place trophies.

We are looking forward to a great year. See you at the shows.

Darrell Cline
Vice-President

Mississippi Coast Stangers

The regular monthly meeting of the Mississippi Coast Mustang Club was held January 9 at the Gulfport Western Sizzlin. There were 19 members present and one new member joined.

In our news sharing time, Lamar told about his '67 Mustang Coupe which was stolen Jan. 7 and found a day later at the Holiday Inn by an employee there. We're thankful for this sharp-eyed fellow and glad the car was recovered.

Lamar had the Club's new introduction cards available at the meeting. He urged all members to pass them out or put them on the windshield of 'Stangers who may be prospective members. He also had applications for the Pensacola Car Show for interested members.

Mike said the plans for the upcoming car show stand about the same. The National Mustang Club will provide the judging sheets for the show. Entrants in the show will be checked

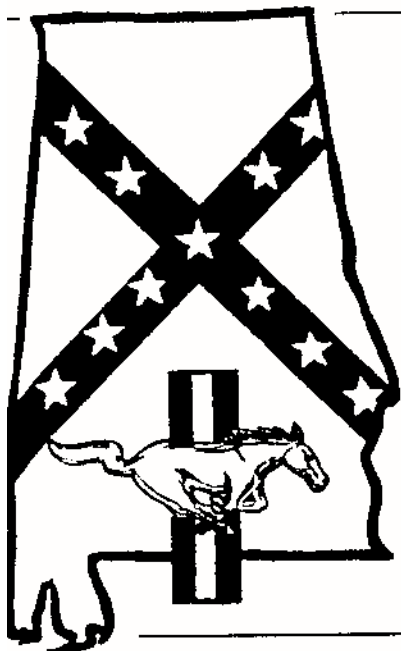
against a computer list to assure they are members of the MCA. Jack reminded us that all members of our club should be members of MCA and should provide their MCA number for our membership rolls.

The 1969-73 and Shelby and Boss judging certification meetings conducted by Jack Wilbanks were held at Lamar's shop on January 16. Mike spoke to Don Ford about putting some of our Mustangs on display to promote the new '83 Mustangs and to provide publicity for our club.

Laura Carter
Secretary

"MUSTANG MAGIC" In Montgomery

By Jerry Lowery



Heart of Dixie MUSTANG Club

The Heart of Dixie Mustang Club, a new regional group chartered in Montgomery, Alabama, held its first Mustang Show January 15. Thanks to the support of Bill Cochran and Doug Milstead of Courtesy Ford, Montgomery's local dealer, we presented a show of "Mustang Magic" to Central Alabama.

Although only four months old, we managed to roll out nine Mustangs to display that day. Among our classics were Harrel McKinney's white '64½ hardtop, along with his '64½ convertible. Bob Messick was represented by his '66 candyapple red GT. The Hall family came with three Mustangs to show that day. Pat Hall rolled out his Rangoon red '65 fastback, while brother Mike came with a '67 GTA. Charyl Hall was there with her Caspian blue '65 hardtop.

Jerry Willoughby let the top down that day on his candyapple red '66 convertible. Keith Barfield had his grabber blue '70 sport roof there, and rounding out the field was Carl Hubbard's '68 Shelby GT 500KR convertible. When the day

was over, we presented our Best of Show trophy to Harrel McKinney and his '64½ white convertible with red interior, 200 C.I.D. six cylinder, automatic transmission, and wire spinner wheel covers.

This was also the day to unveil to everyone our local club logo. Mike Cooper, a commercial artist from Clanton, Alabama, was commissioned to create an emblem symbolic of our club and its name. As you can see here, Mike did a fantastic job for us. In fact, our members were so impressed, we ordered license plates and golf shirts for everyone to show our club logo with great pride all the time.

One final word of thanks goes to Teresa Vickery of the National Club for all her help in making our first show a success. On very short notice, Teresa provided us with back issues of the *Mustang Times* to pass out to prospective members.

This show was our first to be presented in Montgomery, but definitely not the last. After all, there is a lot more "Mustang Magic" still left to be performed.