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Next Meeting

October 14, 2013

Dinner at 6:00 pm

Meeting at 7:00 pm

Honkers Restaurant

211 E. Day Road

(SE Corner; Day Rd. & Main St.)

Mishawaka, IN

Upcoming Events

October 14 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting
at Honkers **(2014 Officer Nominations at this meeting)**

November 11 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting
at Honkers **(2014 Officer Elections at this meeting)**

December 7 (Saturday)

Club Christmas Party at Honkers

2014

January 13 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting
at Honkers

February 10 (Monday)

Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting
at Honkers

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From the front seat of my Red GT



Well here we are; it is October already and it is time to nominate officers for the next calendar year. Please come to the meeting prepared to nominate the person of your choice.

As an annual event the Michiana Mustangs car club supports several charities around the conclusion of the year. One of our main events is collecting toys from our members to help the US Marines Toys for Tots toy drive. It is a high moment when we deliver the toys we collected to a local TV station. If it is decent weather, especially on the first Saturday of December, we may drive one of our Mustangs over with the car stuffed with toys. We also collect non-perishable food items for a local food bank. We as a club have been doing this for several years and this has been a very successful endeavor. During our November meeting we have been voting on the amount we would like to donate to the local Hospice of Saint Joseph County, Indiana.

We support these three charities because as fortunate as we are we are able to give back to those less fortunate.

As club President I ask all members to contribute what you can to help Michiana Mustangs support these charities.

Thanks in advance for your contributions

The October dinner and fall cruise is October 5th. Hope to see you all then.

See you at Honkers on the 14th

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2013 Events Calendar

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2014 Events

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13 (Monday)
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February

10 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

March

10 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers
22-23 (Saturday & Sunday)
Afdent Cavalcade of Wheels at the Century Center in South Bend

April

14 (Monday)
Michiana Mustangs monthly meeting at Honkers

2014 Meeting Dates

January 13
February 10
March 10
April 14
May 12
June 9
July 14 (Club Picnic)
August (to be determined)
September 8
October 13
November 10
December (to be determined)

Notes from Last Month's Meeting

Our September meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm. Attending the meeting were Art Anderson, Scott Anderson, David & Peggy Anson, Howard Barrett, Art Campbell, Dick & Gloria Cornman, Robert Kaercher & Lyn Gorski, Roger Kaser & Shirley Evans, Elaine Kersey, Carl Kindig, Valerie Malecki, Hal & Rose McClure, Brad & Nancy Milliken, Ron & Charlotte Newcomer, Phil & Tandy Nicodemus, Kenny & Diane Reed, Bob Relos, Ted Sauerbeck, Jim & June Schmidt, George & Shirley Wachs, and Jan Warner.

New members in attendance were Robert Kaercher, who has a 2001 Cobra, and Jan Warner, with a 2012 Mustang.

- A sign-up sheet was passed around for those planning to take part in this year's Fall Cruise on October 5. We will meet at the Day Road Honkers at 10 AM. Brad is still confirming stops to be made before we head to Middlebury and dinner with Mose and Etta.
- Anyone helping with set-up for this year's Tire Rack event should be at the Tire Rack by 8 AM this Saturday.
- MCA Report
 - * Ballots for Next year's MCA Board of Directors is in this month's Mustang Times. Jim urged everyone to cast their ballots.
 - * Contact Jim Schmidt if you want to participate in one of the Pony Trails to Mustang, OK as part of next year's 50th Anniversary celebration.
 - * An attempt will be made to break the Guinness Record for the largest car convoy.
 - * If you can't make the 50th Anniversary events, you can pre-order a Goody Bag for \$ 50.00.
 - * Our club did not qualify for this year's MCA President's Award due to a clarification of rules for the number of parades a club can count toward the award. We can now only count one parade toward the award.
- Dick Cornman and Jim Schmidt were invited to have pictures taken of their '66 Mustangs with a P-51 Mustang at the Porter County Airport.
- Brennspeed, will host an open house at their facility in Pierceton on September 28.
- We will start collecting donations for Toys for Tots at the October meeting.
- The Afdent Cavalcade of Wheels will take place next March at the Century Center after a year's hiatus. Admission will be \$ 5 and children under 12 will be admitted at no charge.

- Carl Kindig thanked all members who helped with the show. All members who had their cars entered received awards. Ron Olson was thanked for storing the Club's trailer.
- A suggestion was made that the Club needs to do a better job of advertising the show. This will be brought up during next year's preparations.
- Charlotte Newcomer won \$ 27.00 in the 50/50 drawing. June Schmidt won a bottle of Octane Booster, Val Malecki, Kenny Reed, and Ted Sauerbeck won T-shirts, and Peggy Anson won a container of Car Wash Powder.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Last Month's Finances:

Income

Membership Renewals	\$ 140.00
50/50 Drawing	27.00
Total Income	\$ 167.00

Expenses

MCA Discount	\$ 20.00
Car Show Expense	74.81
Newsletter Print & Mail	73.91
Office Supplies	46.00
Total Expenses	214.72

Net Income **\$ -47.72**

Blonde at the Football Game

Of all the blonde jokes, this one has to be one of the best -- because it makes football make sense!

A guy took his blonde girlfriend to her first football game. They had great seats right behind their team's bench. After the game, he asked her how she liked it.

"Oh, I really liked it," she replied, "especially the tight pants and all the big muscles, but I just couldn't understand why they were killing each other over 25 cents."

Dumbfounded, her boyfriend asked, "What do you mean?"

"Well, they flipped a coin, one team got it and then for the rest of the game, all they kept screaming was...

'Get the quarterback! Get the quarterback!'

I'm like...Helloooooo? It's only 25 cents!!!!"

Membership News



This Month...

- 4 Alan Ippolito
- 12 June Schmidt
- 20 David Yoder
- 21 Beth Greenwalt



Anniversaries This Month...

- | | | |
|----|---------------------|----------|
| 12 | Ken & Becky Schmitt | 11 years |
| 30 | Hal & Rose McClure | 7 years |

If I missed your birthday or anniversary, please let me know. Thanks!



New Members!

- One I missed last month, and actually a returning member; Ruben and Idella Chupp of Nappanee, with a 2003 Mach 1.

Welcome to the club. We're looking forward to getting to know you!

Membership Anniversaries

- | | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Ted & Pat Sauerbeck | 18 years |
| Dave & Carol Cooper | 14 years |
| Steve & Dawn Scarborough | 10 years |
| David & Peggy Anson | 3 years |
| Dawn & Beth McCormick | 1 year |

Membership Renewals Due August (Deactivation Pending)

- John & Sue Carlson
- Robert & Melissa Gay
- Dean & Pam Lambert
- Ron & Carol Ramsey

September

- John & Elizabeth Crume
- John & Linda Forbes

October

- Steve & Dawn Scarborough
- Mark & Judy Taelman

November

- David & Carol Cooper
- Alex & Elizabeth Denysenko
- Ted & Pat Sauerbeck
- Steve York

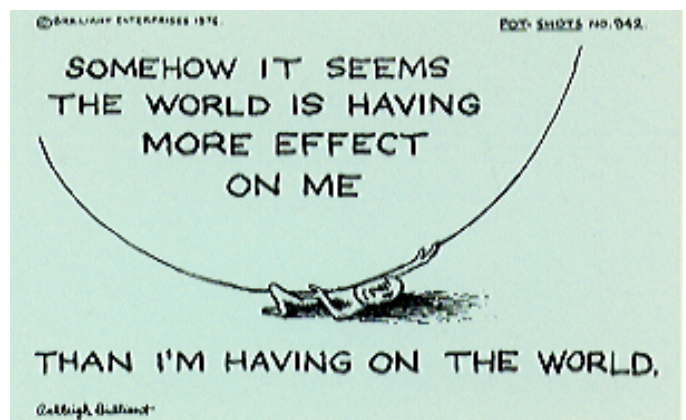
Please note these procedures used by the treasurer for dues collection

- Month #1 (One month before due date): First Invoice
 - Month #2 (The month of due date): Second Invoice
 - Month #3 (Grace Month): No Invoice
 - Month #4 (De-Activation Month): No Invoice
- Dues should be mailed to Ron Newcomer, 58375 Westleaf Manor Blvd., Elkhart, IN 46517



On the Mend...

Please keep George Wachs in your thoughts. He just underwent knee replacement surgery and while the knee seems to be doing well, possible prostate problems have arisen. I'll keep you as updated as I can.



Tire Rack a Blast!

We had 20 cars at the event. Most were past members. Everyone had a good time and pushed their cars to their limit (drivers).

Thanks to Art for all the help he gave. He even learned how to grill hot dogs! They were good and some were even done to my liking.

Tire Rack is like a driver's skill training event. You can only do 40mph on the track. Only one vehicle at a time on the track. You can get a rock in the windshield in a construction zone (happened to a week old vehicle). You can have a tire blow out while driving 55 mph. Your vehicle could break down in the middle of nowhere. You can have a 16 year old pull out in front of you while going to an event. You may even get horsey poo on some of the back roads. My point is the Tire Rack event is probably safer and cleaner than being on any road in the United States. Maybe you should come to this event and test your skills next year.

It was nice to see Pete McClure. It wouldn't be a Tire Rack event without Pete getting a cone stuck under his car.

We raised \$120 for Kelly and her family. Not bad for a few hours and very few people.

Thanks

Peggy & David



Jason Nichols had the fastest run of the morning with his race-prepared '68 coupe.



Ricardo Gonzalez had his Porsche 914/6 at the top of the charts for most of the morning.



The Anson brothers helped carry the flag for first generation Mustangs.



As usual, Pete McClure had some of the fastest times of the day.

More pictures on page 6

More from The Tire Rack



Former member Darrell Young had fun with his '07 GT/CS



Lunch time brought an opportunity to relax and visit.



Members posed for a picture at the end of the day.

Thanks to everyone who came out to drive or just watch. For those who didn't, give it a try next year!

Officer Nominations this meeting!

These offices are up for election next month

- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Regional Director (MCA)
- Show Chairman
- Head Judge
- Board of Directors (Need three)

Don't forget...



Please donate this and/or next month. New, un-wrapped toys, cash, or a check to Toys for Tots and non-perishable food, or cash or a check to the Food Bank. \$25.00 to the Food Bank will provide 200 meals. Thank you for your support.



Preferences

Four surgeons are comparing the type of patients they consider the easiest to operate on. The first surgeon says, "I like to operate on electricians, because when you open them up everything is color coded." The second surgeon says, "I prefer to operate on accountants, because when you open them up everything is numbered." The third surgeon says, "I think librarians are the easiest to operate on because everything inside them is in alphabetic order." The fourth surgeon says, "I've got you all beat. I like to operate on politicians best. They are by far the easiest because they have no guts, no heart, no spine and their head and behind are interchangeable."

Average US car now a record-setting 11.4 years old



By Brandon Turkus

Posted Aug 6th 2013 1:01PM

Cars are becoming less and less of a disposable item, according to a report from *The Detroit Free Press*. The average age of the 247 million cars and trucks in the US fleet is now up to 11.4 years, an increase of two full years since 2007 and 0.2 years since 2012. The newspaper spoke with Mark Seng, vice president of industry research firm Polk, who cited consumers' desire to avoid monthly payments and the ever-improving quality of mainstream cars and trucks as reasons for the increased age.

The first item is fairly obvious – no one really likes to carry a monthly car payment. The second point, though, is perhaps less obvious. The fact of the matter is that modern vehicles are just so reliable that people aren't feeling the need to scrap them as quickly. In fact, scrappage has fallen 50 percent since the start of the recession, a stat that is sure to pain junkyard scroungers everywhere.

But while the nation's average vehicle age is likely to continue to increase, it is expected to do so right along with increasing sales of new vehicles. After a 30-year low of 10.4 million vehicles in 2009, the annual average is running right along at 15.5 million according to *The Detroit Free Press*. While it seems counterintuitive for these two stats to climb together, the combination of improved reliability, lower interest rates and readily available longer-term financing options has created a kind of perfect storm for both long-term ownership and new vehicle sales.

http://www.autoblog.com/2013/08/06/average-us-car-now-a-record-setting-11-4-years-old-w-poll/?icid=main-grid7%7Cmain5%7Cdl8%7Csec3_Ink1%26pLid%3D354257

Strange True Tales of Induhviduals

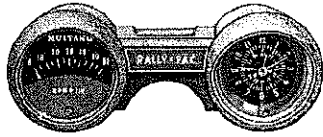
- A friend from West Virginia was shopping at the Wal-Mart in Blacksburg, VA. At the cash register, my friend wrote a check.
The clerk asked for her driver's license and my friend presented her West Virginia driver's license. The clerk grabbed it away from her and scoffed, "If you're going to use a fake ID, you could at least use a real state!" A manager was required to verify West Virginia's statehood.
- When Daylight Saving Time was started on a national basis, I was able to convince one Induhvidual that she had to get up at 2 a.m. to reset her clocks. To do otherwise would violate federal law.
- While shopping at the grocery store, I noticed that the tuna packed in spring water was labeled dolphin safe, but the tuna packed in oil was not. I mentioned this fact to the cashier and mused out loud, "I wonder why?"
She replied, "Must be because the oil would suffocate them."
- My previous job was with a clothing manufacturer. Every season we would have presentations on the latest fashions from around the world. During one of these presentations, our chief designer held up a pair of jeans that he had purchased in a trendy boutique in London. He told us that they were from a very exclusive designer and were about 200 pounds each.
An Induhvidual from the audience piped up, "200 pounds! How can a pair of jeans weigh that much?!"
- A long, long, time ago, when I was 19 or 20, I went to a bar with an older friend. The guy at the door asked for my ID. I gave him my driver's license, which of course had my date of birth printed on it.
He looked at it and said, "You have to be 21 to get in here." I replied, "That ID is a few years old."
He looked at it again for a moment, then said "Oh, OK" and let me in.
- There's an automotive tire dealer in town with the following motto painted in two-foot high letters on the storefronts of their several locations:
"If it's in stock, we've got it!"

Remember When? (Submitted by Peggy Anson)

Dress your Mustang from top to bottom with Ford Total Performance Kits

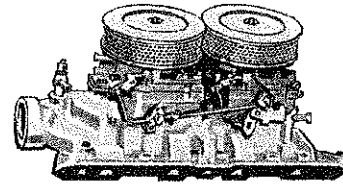
Whether you want to add some personal style touches to your Mustang or put more power under the hood, your Ford Dealer—"Your Total Performance Headquarters"—is the place to shop.

The items shown here are just a sample of the accessories and performance kits he has for you.



RALLY PAC: A must for performance enthusiasts, this Rally Pac is a unique illuminated twin-pod cluster with a 6000-rpm tach and precision clock. Has hooded cover with "camera case" finish. Mounts on steering column. Part No. C5ZZ-10B960-C. \$75.95*

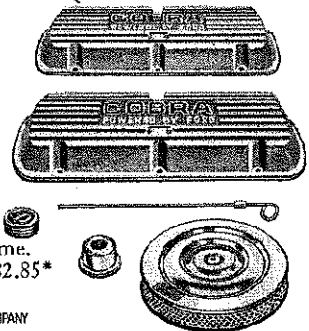
COBRA TWO 4V INDUCTION KIT: Here's a great way to boost horsepower for hot performance. Kit includes two 4-barrel carburetors on a cast-aluminum intake manifold, special air cleaners, hardware. Easy to install on all Mustang V-8 blocks. Part No. C40Z-6B068-E. \$243.00*



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*Manufacturer's suggested retail price. Installation charges and state and local taxes, if any, are extra.

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If anyone is interested in Bob Christena's 72 Mach 1, I am entertaining all bids. Please let me know. Hope to see you soon. Warm Regards, Becky Christena (219-874-4487) or likethebluebird@comcast.net

Bob Goeller has Paul Houseman's collection of Mustang Times and wants to find a home for them. They are from 1980-2000. He also has a 1994-98 stock fiberglass hood for \$65.00. You can contact Bob at rg67stang@sbcglobal.net or 574-286-5312 .

2010 GT Premium Mustang for Sale, and I'm asking \$19,500. 4.6L V8 engine, Automatic Transmission, 44,000 miles, Built-in Navigation, Leather Seats, Shaker 500 Stereo System, 19" Premium Rims, Pirelli Tires (new last year), Aftermarket Borla cat back exhaust, aftermarket headlights, and back-up camera. It also has a K&N cold air intake. Call 269-779-3899 (Nov.)



OEM Fuel and Temperature gauges for '65 & '66 Mustangs in working condition. \$ 20 each - Contact Phil Higley @ ourmustangs@centurylink.net (Nov.)

Looking For...

Looking for an underdash wiring harness for a '65 with warning lights (not gauges) and a 3-speed heater. (A good used one...) The harnesses do not interchange between cars with warning lights and cars with gauges. Contact Phil Higley @ ourmustangs@centurylink.net (Nov.)

Ads will run for three months; if you want to keep the ad running, you need to re-submit it.

A Well-Planned Retirement

Outside the Bristol Zoo, in England, there is a parking lot for 150 cars and 8 coaches, or buses. It was manned by a very pleasant attendant with a ticket machine charging cars £1 (about \$1.40) and coaches £5 (about \$7). This parking attendant worked there solid for all of 25 years.

Then, one day, he just didn't turn up for work.

"Oh well", said Bristol Zoo Management - "we'd better phone up the City Council and get them to send a new parking attendant..."

"Err ... no", said the Council, "that parking lot is your responsibility."

"Err ... no", said Bristol Zoo Management, "the attendant was employed by the City Council, wasn't he?"

"Err ... NO!" insisted the Council.

Sitting in his villa somewhere in Spain, is a bloke who had been taking the parking lot fees, estimated at £400 (about \$560) per day at Bristol Zoo for the last 25 years. Assuming 7 days a week, this amounts to just over £3.6 million (\$7 million)!



Questions That Must Be Answered

- Why do we press harder on the remote control when we know the batteries are getting weaker?
- Why do banks charge a fee on "insufficient funds" when they know there is not enough money in the account?
- Whose idea was it to put an "s" in the word "lisp"?
- How do those dead bugs get into those enclosed light fixtures?
- Why is it that no matter what color bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?

Genius Is Mysterious

All members of Mensa have I.Q.s of at least 140.

At one Mensa convention, several members at a local cafe noticed the shaker with an S on top, for salt, contained pepper and their pepper shaker, with a P on top, was full of salt. How could they swap the contents of the bottles without spilling anything and using only the implements at hand? Clearly, here was a perfect Mensa challenge!

They presented ideas, debated them, and finally came up with what they felt was a brilliant solution involving a napkin, a straw, and an empty saucer.

They called the blonde waitress over to dazzle her with their solution.

"Ma'am," they said, "we couldn't help but notice that the pepper shaker contains salt and the salt shaker contains..."

"Oh, sorry!" interrupted the blonde waitress. "Here," and she unscrewed the caps of both bottles and switched them.

The Frog

Once upon a time, in a land far away, a beautiful, independent, self-assured princess happened upon a frog as she sat contemplating ecological issues on the shores of an unpolluted pond in a verdant meadow near her castle. The frog hopped into the princess's lap and said: "Elegant Lady, I was once a handsome prince, until an evil witch cast a spell upon me. One kiss from you, however, and I will turn back into the dapper, young prince that I am, and then, my sweet, we can marry and setup housekeeping in yon castle with my mother, where you can prepare my meals, clean my clothes, bear my children, and forever feel grateful and happy doing so." That night, the princess dined sumptuously on a repast of lightly sautéed frog legs seasoned in a white wine and shallot cream sauce.

From the Back Seat...



It's that time again...

As noted elsewhere in the newsletter, we will have officer nominations at this month's meeting. All positions are available (a list of the offices can be found on page 6).

I've said it before, and I'll say it again: **get involved!**

As I've said in the past, if you think that you can't handle a club office, I'll let you in on a couple of secrets. First, you don't do it alone. No matter what office you have, there are other members who can help you through. Many of them have held offices in the past and can pass that experience to you.

The second secret is...it's not as difficult as you think it is. Most of the decisions made by the board are simply based on common sense after looking at the alternatives. Remember; this is a car club - we are not curing cancer or doing brain surgery. Keep your perspective.

One of the best things about being a club officer happens when you see members having a ball doing something you helped create. It's a feeling that I can't describe, but you'll know it when it happens.

Give it a shot...you won't regret it.

Have a great month...

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Just".

The fine print...

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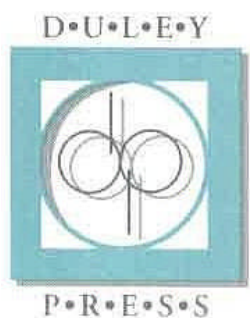


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Member cars pose at the end of another fun day at the Tire Rack. See pages 6 & 7.



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