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Our club, along with the Show-Me Mustang club, held our all Ford Blue Cruise on July 9th. Although somewhat warm, there was a steady breeze and as the sun set, it turned into a beautiful evening.



The Pur Performance facility is a great location in central St. Charles County. The store stayed open late for our event.

It was a “good news, bad news” kind of day. The bad news was that our car count was down from last year. The good news was that the crowd was quite generous. With outside donations, club donations, 50-50 profit, concessions, and participant donations, we were able to collect over \$2,500 to be donated to The BackStoppers. The car clubs shouldered the expense of the DJ and concessions.



Each club took turns collecting donations as the Blue Oval crowd arrived. The event was really a low work event.

The real stars of the show were the police officers and equipment supplied by the St. Charles County Regional SWAT. Their two vehicles, along with a Lake St. Louis Police cruiser, drew the crowds all evening.

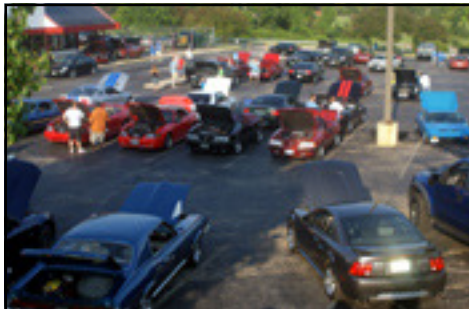
Thanks go out to the Mustang Club of St. Louis for their great support of over 20 Mustang entries. Special thanks go out to Pur Performance for the use of their facility and to the members and families of both clubs for all of their work on this very worthwhile event.

We were a little disappointed with the lack of police and fire vehicles in attendance but the St. Charles County Regional SWAT saved the day and did more than their part to supporting the cause.

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Blue Cruise Highlights



Mid America Shelby Meet

The Mid America Shelby Meet was held June 13-17. As a club event, several of our members were in attendance. Both Jeff Hohl and Ken Farrar were successful at the drags, both going home with trophies. Other members in attendance included Sharon Apollo, Bill Bufka, Gary Burch, Eric Hohl, Terry Koch, Bart McNail, Ron Schodroski, and Joe Vander Pluym.

Photos and info-Terry Koch



Cobblestone Nationals



Although not a club event, several of our members attended the Cobblestone Nationals that were held at Fastlane Classic Cars. Attending clockwise from upper left were Kenny and Gwen Simms, Burt Pennington, Terry Koch, and Mark Carey.



Photos by Terry Koch

SIMA Mustang & Ford Show

On July 16th, our club headed to Alton Illinois for the Southern Illinois Mustang Associations all Mustang and Ford Show. It was a great day to beat the upcoming heat advisories that were to arrive the following day.

The heat did scare away most of our members as we only had 7 registered cars and didn't come close to the club participation prize which was won by our friends from the Show-Me Mustang Club.

Members with cars entered included Jim Biermann, Mark Carey, Terry Koch, Burt Pennington, John Sullivan, Mark Wisbey and Bob Layton. Members coming to spectate included Cindy Ahrens, Mike McCalister, Gary Burch, Jim Kinzel and Bart McNail.



Terry Koch's red 1968 Mustang GT won 2nd place in his class.



Mark Carey was a winner with his 1989 Mustang LX. Mark finished 3rd in class.



There was no surprise as Burt Pennington took first place with his custom Explorer.



This 2006 Mustang GT droptop is owned by Mark Wisbey and was a first place winner.



Jim Biermann left the air conditioned Mustang at home and brought his '69 Cougar.



Bob Layton managed a 3rd place finish with his candyapple red 1966 Mustang coupe.



John Sullivan's Lincoln Mark 8 was also a first place finisher.



We hooked up shelter halves with the Show-Me Club to keep the warm sun at bay.



Members Rides

We are up to 53 cars and trucks in our Members Rides section on our website. That is

great but is only about one

half of the cars in our club. If you want your vehicle on

the site just send a "hood down" photo of your car and truck to the address on the front of this newsletter. Digitally would be best but we can scan your, hopefully, high quality photo.

Also, during the winter months we like to run a feature on a members car or truck. If you would like your ride in an upcoming newsletter, please send several photo's, including engine and interior. We would also like some history and tech info.



Points

Listed below are the points standings as of the SIMA car show. They now do include the points from car show class sponsorships.

1. Jim Biermann-----460
2. Bart McNail-----390
3. Bob Layton-----375
4. Cindy Ahrens-----325
5. Bill Bufka-----250
6. Jeff Hohl-----240
- Mark Lazzareschi-----240
7. Ron Schodroski-----230
8. Jack Greiwe-----215
9. Gary Burch-----205
10. Ken Farrar-----190

Club Events

August 3rd

Board of Directors Meeting

@ Sybergs-7 PM

August 10th

Membership Meeting

@ Spazio's-7 pm

August 28th

St. Anthony's Car Show

Meet @ Burger King located at

Hwy 141 and Hwy 44

@ 8:45-leaving at 9 am

Our Car Show

Due to the lateness in the month of our car

show, we will not have coverage until our September newsletter. By the way, there are five Sundays in July again next year

and it was decided to hold our show on the 5th Sunday, July 29th, pending confirmation from the St. Louis County Parks Department. We should have a confirmed date sometime this fall.

If for some reason you have not collected the sponsor money, we need to get this done. For what ever reason, it is always harder to collect the class sponsorships after the show is over. That's why we always encourage our members to have this done before the date of the car show.



St. Anthony's Car Show Looking Ahead

On August 28th, we will be caravanning to Sullivan, Missouri for the annual Route 66 car show. The show is an all car



event and held on grass unless weather is a factor. Many of the classes are open to Ford products. There are three trophies per class and also other special awards.

The show is part of the St. Anthony's Annual Festival which features food, refreshments, great chicken and roast beef dinners, raffles, country store, silent auction, 50-50 drawing and many more events. The dinner is well worth doing.

For those wanting to caravan, we will meet at the Burger King at Hwy. 141 and Hwy. 44 at 8:45 am and will be leaving at 9 am sharp. If you plan to eat breakfast there, you may want to arrive a little earlier.

After a very busy month is July, we will be taking a rest with just one club car show event this month. September will be back to normal with three shows that are club events for points.

September starts with the a new club event for us, the Troy Baptist Car Show. You will like this one, its free. The following week we will be at Westport Plaza for the Wheels in Motion Day. On the 17th, we will be heading to Crestwood Court for the Show-Me Mustang Club's Car Show.

We will post more details in next months newsletter.

What did our editorial forebears learn from slinging a new Lincoln around in the dirt? Not much, but it probably was fun.

Motor Trend's first editor, Walt Woron, once told me that engineering editor Chuck Nerpel's idea of action photography was to show a car sliding in the dirt. Walt never fully understood why, and I can't say I do either. They probably did it because it was easy to get a vehicle drifting sideways in the dirt without hitting anything, and it chewed up far fewer tires.

Just about any car can spin its tires in the soft stuff, but the Lincoln carried Ford's first new postwar overhead-valve V-8, in this car displacing 317 cubic inches and rated at 160 horsepower. Lincoln was first to get the new OHV engines, which didn't show up in

Off-roading the '52 Lincoln

Reprinted from Motor Trend-Info supplied by Bill Bufka



sedans like this one.

Back in the day, many test cars were borrowed from dealers, and a car would have to be returned in as-new condition, which didn't mean four worn-out, ready-to-blow bias-ply tires. It's doubtful this stunt was part of any real "testing." It was most likely done just for the camera.

Fords and Mercurys until 1954. The 317 was a member of Ford's Y-block engine family, although shortly thereafter, the engine lineup split into the MEL (Mercury, Edsel, Lincoln) family V-8, and smaller, less powerful Y-blocks for the Fords, including the Thunderbird. When the current Town Car soon goes out of production, it'll mark the end (at least for now) of Lincoln as a supplier of V-8-powered, rear-drive luxury



Odds & Ends Mustang Plates

Talk about “insult to injury”, when I downloaded the article about the ‘52 Lincoln on page 6, my spell check came on with what it considered misspellings. Spell check has problems with automotive terms anyway but I had to laugh when one of the words it did not recognize was “Edsel”. Wow!

Did you know? We actually had one of our car shows in June. It was our second show and was held on Fathers Day at Lindenwood College, now known as Lindenwood University.

The winner of the 50-50 drawing at our July meeting was your editor who went home with an additional \$40.50.



Sharon Richardson of the Mustang Club of St. Louis sent us this note. Although we aren't a Mustang Club, many of our members own Mustangs and may be interested in this. See below.

We thank Sharon for this information. To get instructions and a DOR application, check things out on our club website www.fordsunlimited.com

New Members

This month we welcome two new members. Bruce Myers resides in St. Charles and is the proud owner of a 2007 GT500. Bruce joined at the Blue Cruise.

Also rejoining is Rich Mitchell. Rich owns a 1971 Mercury Comet and a 2002 Mustang GT Convertible. Rich also resides in St. Charles. Welcome!!

Fords Unlimited:



We would like to give you some information about a new Mustang specialty license plate that has just been approved by the Missouri DOR. The design is pictured above. I have attached the application and instructions for completing if any of the Mustang enthusiasts you know are interested. We are offering the opportunity to all of the Missouri Mustang clubs to get the plate in this first batch before it is posted to the public. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. We look forward to seeing you at your car show on July 31.

Sharon Richardson

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CARS FOR SALE

For Sale. 2006 Mustang Coupe. Satin silver, V6 with 5 speed manual. Interior upgrade. Shaker. 500 audio system. 71k miles. New spark plugs and fuel filter in '08. Greg @ 314-229-9695.

For Sale. 2006 Mustang conv. 21k, V6, auto, grey w/black top and charcoal power seats, AC, rear defrost, am.fm/6 changer. \$15,000. 314-521-7225.

For Sale. 1989 Mustang GT hatchback, yellow w/black racing stripes, built 302. 618-567-9825.

PARTS FOR SALE

For Sale. 17" 5 spoke mags & lug nuts. P235/55x17. Pirellis ZR rated. \$1,100. royce-basnett@sbcglobal.net

For Sale. (4) 16" Wheels & Tires for Fox 4 lug Mustang. (4) 16x8, 5-spoke wheels w/(4) 225-55R16 tires, \$500 OBO. 636-240-5189 Cell 314-422-2623.

For Sale. Lear Fiberglass flat cover for Ranger 6 ft. bed. Like new. Ford Torch Red. Make offer. Call Mark-home-636-240-5189. Cell-314-422-2623.

For Sale. Lettering for bumper covers for late Fox bodied Mustangs. Black, brand new. \$8 per set. 2006 GT grill, perfect. \$40. Bob @ 636-397-4487 or mickie6t6@netzero.com

For Sale. '01 Bullitt: Driver Air Gag, \$100. SS Exhaust system, from Cat flange to tips, \$150. 11 inch, 28 oz flywheel (sb) 164 tooth. Big SB steel Bellhousing. T5 50oz flywheel, \$50. '69 SB powdercoated valve cover set, \$40. '69 sb auto flywheel, \$45. Fox GT ground effects, complete minus front bumper cover. '85 GT steering wheel, \$50. New '67 Mustang grill, \$50. New Scott Drake foglight assy. complete w/new wiring. \$200. NOS horse and corral, \$170. Super nice set of 390 GT exhaust manifolds. Gary Burch @ 636-575-3376.

For Sale. Parts for a 2000 Mustang

GT. GT engine & 5spd. Trans. Also Hypertech Tuner & K&N Cold Air intake. Fiberglass Cobra Front Bumper cover. Will take \$900 for all. 618-604-1970.

LOCAL EVENTS

Memories Car Club Cruises. 16th Year of Cruising. The 1st Friday of each month Rain or Shine, April thru October. Gates open 4pm. Food Court. 50,60,70's Music. 50/50 Drawing, many free Attendance Prizes. Info: www.memoriescarclub.com Held at Life Christian Church, 13001 Gravois Road, Located one mile south of I-270 on Hwy 30. Sunset Hills.

McDonald's Car Cruise. Held on 4th Sat. each Month, Apr 23rd thru Oct 22nd) 5pm until 10pm. All Makes and Years Vehicles Welcome!. Music Provided. Attendance Prizes, 50/50 Drawing. "Manager's Trophy for Best Car". 130 Arnold Crossroads Center (hwy 141 & Jeffco Blvd.) Arnold, Mo.

JJ's Cruises. Located in St. Charles. 4-9 pm, June 11th, July 9th, August 13th, September 10th, and October 8th & 29th. Info 946-3500.

Gateway GTO/Behlmann Cruise Nites. Open at 6pm, Music, 50-50 drawing. Held on the 2nd Friday of each month, April through October to benefiting "Friends of Kids with Cancer". Info @ mcty-cruisenites@aol.com.

Gateway Ford Mercury Car Club Cruise. 5pm till 10pm on 3rd Saturday each month, June thru Sept. All cars welcome. Music, 50/50 drawing, attendance Prizes. Culver's "Manager's Choice" Trophy awarded each month. Located at Culver's Restaurant off Lindbergh and Rusty Rd in South County by Costco. St. Louis, Mo.

August 6th. Memories on Main Street 7th Annual Troy Car Show. sponsored by the Troy Historic Business Assoc. and the Archway Oldsmobile Club. All Cars, Trucks, Tractors Welcome. Registration 8am till Noon. Awards 3:30 pm. Dash

Plaques. Escorted Parking only. Arriving with friends assures parking with friends. 34 classes. 3 Awards per class, plus Club Participation. Peoples Choice. Best Chrome. Best Display. Best Paint. Best of Show. Registration \$15. Display \$10. Enter at College St. & Main St. ONLY. Food. Vendors, 50/50 Drawing, vendor/sponsor info (928) 274-2070 or email, for class/registration info (314) 346-2109 or email. Troy Mo.

August 14th. Show Off Auto Show to be held at the Bridgeton Machinists Hall. 9am-3pm. Info @ 314-368-6902.

August 21st. 20th Anniversary Edwardsville D.A.R.E. Benefit Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show. Rain date: Aug 28. Register: 8:30am till 1pm. Entry Fee \$15, Display \$10. Dash Plaques 1st 250 Registered Vehicles and Hat Pins to 1st 50 Registered Motorcycles. Attendance Prizes, 50/50 Drawing. Music by D.J. Silent Auction. Food & Beverages. 50 Car and Truck Classes, 10 Motorcycle Classes. Proceeds benefit Edwardsville D.A.R.E. program. Info: (618) 656-6427, (618)779-4412 or (618) 288-9208. Motorcycle Info: (618)304-0557 Vendor booths are \$25 for 10 x 10 space, booth info: (618)980-0754. The event held at Edwardsville High School, located at 6161 Center Grove Rd. & Hwy 157. Edwardsville, Il.

August 28th. St. Anthony's Parish Festival & Car Show. Info in page 6 of this newsletter. Sullivan Mo. Info-573-468-6101. **Club event.**

September 3rd. Troy 1st Baptist Family Car Show. No entry fee. Troy Missouri. Register @troyfirst.com This will be a new **club event**.

September 3rd. Chesterfield Charity Car Show. Saturday. This event will be held at The Emerald Point parking lot located at 16141 Swingley Ridge Road just north of Hwy 40 off Olive. Right next door to the Post office Chesterfield, Mo.63017. For more info call (314) 265-1330 or visit bvscargroup.com.

September 3rd. 6th Annual Kiwanis Car Show. Info 618-974-9416

September 5th. (Monday) 17th An-

nual Vago Park Custom Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show , a Show World Production, register 9am till Noon. \$20 Entry - Dash Plaques to 1st 200 Registered. 38 Classes. Games, Fun, Food , Activities, Vendors. Info: (314) 378-7469 location Dorsett Road East to Fee Fee, Turn Left at Q.T. Stop Light To Stop Sign

September 11th. Wheels in Motion Day at Westport Plaza. Our club will caravan as a group. Details will be listed soon. **Club event.**

September 11th. Crestwood Elks 10th Annual Charity Car & Motorcycle Show. Register 9am. Show begins at Noon. Trophies/Awards 4pm. Attendance Prizes. 50/50 Cash Drawings, T-Shirts, Free Drink Tickets, Great Food & Drinks, Live Music Too!!, US Army Humvees and Weapons Demo; US Marines Dunking Machine Info (314) 607-3774 or (314) 638-9777 or email Located at Crestwood Elks, 10261 Bauer Rd in South County, just one mile South of I-270 on Tesson Ferry Rd, then Right at FIRST BANK, at Bauer Road.

September 17th. Show-Me Mustang Club Annual All-Ford Show to be held at Crestwood Court. Members will meet at the event location. **Club Event.**

September 18th. Greater Midwest 33rd Annual Automotive Swap Meet and Car Show. Queeny Park, St. Louis, Mo. Sponsored by the Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri. Info 314-991-4665. or www.hccmo.com

September 25th. 19th Annual Jefferson Barracks Park Custom Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show, a Show World Production, Register 9am till Noon. \$20 Entry. Dash Plaques to 1st 100 Registered. 38 Classes. Games. Fun. Food. Activities. Vendors. Info: (314) 378-7469 location I-255E to Telegraph Road Exit MO231; make left onto Telegraph Rd. to So. Broadway (right); South Broadway becomes Grand Road ,held at The Historic Jefferson Barracks Park.

October 16th. Fords Unlimited's Fall Color Tour. Info to follow in upcoming issues. **Club event.**

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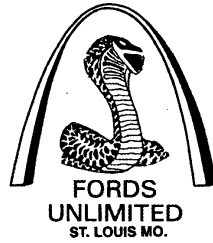
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