



The Pony Express

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Message From the Prez...

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Upcoming Events

- Jan 27-Monthly Club Meeting at Bill Currie Ford
- Jan 31-Sat-Quaker Steak & Lube Show
- Feb 24-No monthly meeting. Club Cruise-In at Steak & Shake
- March 5-8-NMRA Bradenton Motorsports Park
- March 14-Club Cruise-In to Murrays Speed & Custom
- March 28-Suncoast Mustang Club show
- March 29-Sunday-Bay Pines VA Hospital Show

MCT Members:
2009 is a new year and I hope we can continue to explore new things, improve our existing programs and continue growing. We accomplished a lot last year and later in the newsletter I have listed the major things we've done. When you look back it is rather amazing what we did. It's not too late to make another New Years resolution, to become more active in the club! We have a great group and while we enjoy our cars I think

many of us enjoy the friendships even more.

At our board meeting last week we agreed the club needs to mix things up a little and offer some different activities. We may eliminate a couple of our monthly meetings to meet at a cruise-in or go out to eat. We will endeavor to set up another activity most months for members to gather casually. Watch for new things and please make suggestions.

Mark

Meeting – Tuesday January 27

7pm at Bill Currie Ford, but held this month in the Lunch/Breakroom on the southeast corner of the second floor above the showroom.



Silver Springs Re-cap

What a super weather day and super cars! A Ford lover's paradise with 1400 Mustangs and Fords of all years and models. MCT had about a dozen cars and 15 or more

members there. We had a small group of about 6 cars caravan together in the morning. I have a lot of great pictures and the folks from NPD again did a fabulous job. NPD is a

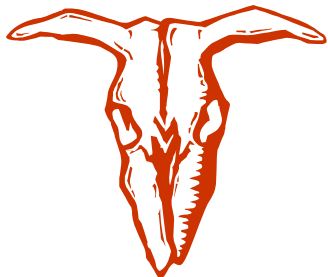
class act to support the hobby and deserves a big thank you.

Mark



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Still looking for a volunteer
for VP of Programs

Board of Directors

Harry Barker,	Bill Hunsinger
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Awesome Web Site for Area Car Shows

Please keep your
email updated with
Chris Meyer

I want to remind everyone (we spoke of this in the past) there is a relatively new website with a very extensive listing of shows and events. Go to **www.motoringtampabay.com**. This website has a lot of car related stuff and

the best listing I have seen of things to do in the Tampa area with your car. The events are broken down into Weekly, Monthly and upcoming shows which do not repeat. If Friday rolls around and you realize it might be a

good weekend to go to a show or cruise-in, this website will tell you quickly what's happening.
Mark



Club meetings at Bill Currie Ford the fourth Tuesday of every month. Located in the conference room on the 2nd floor of the showroom

Hot New Product from Mustang Project

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Paul



Club Year in Review Club Accomplishments

1. MCT conducted a judging clinic for Imperial Mustang Club of Polk County and worked with them to judge their large show which had previously been participant vote

2. We initiated and proposed a Mustang Mini-Meet at the Lake Mirror Classic Auto Show which was done jointly with the Imperial Mustangs of Polk County. 65 Mustangs were displayed.

3. Our MOSI show was again a huge success with near record crowd and it was our most profitable show yet. Thanks again to show Chairman Chris Meyer

4. MCT members put together a great variety of 12 Mustangs and one Cobra to display at the International Auto Show this fall at the Tampa

Convention Center.

5. With short notice we took on planning and running the Mason Dixon Best of the Best Show with co-hosting from the Sunrider Miata Club, the Suncoast Mustang Club and Imperial Mustang Club. Record attendance and income for Christmas Wish

6. In November our club was invited by the MCA and Ford Motor Company to host one of only nine 2010 Mustang Reveal Simulcasts in the country.

7. The success of our own show allowed us to increase our giving substantially this year. We donated \$1500 to the MOSI Kids and \$750 to Christmas Wish. We finished up the year with a wonderful Christmas

dinner party paid for entirely by the club.

THANK YOU, MCT members. These events and activities simply cannot be accomplished without the dedicated help of everyone working harmoniously together.

Mark Morley





8th Annual NMRA Nationals March 5-8

Bradenton Motorsports Park Bradenton, Florida

To start the season off right, the NMRA Keystone Automotive Ford Nationals will head up the new season in the Sunshine State. And what a better place to spend Spring Break, than the beaches of Florida, not to mention the NHRA drag strip nestled between the palm trees! Once again, we'll start off the weekend, and the 2009 Season, with a crazy Pre-Race Party at the Hooters of Bradenton. Last year's NMRA Spring Ford Nationals saw over 1000 participants and almost

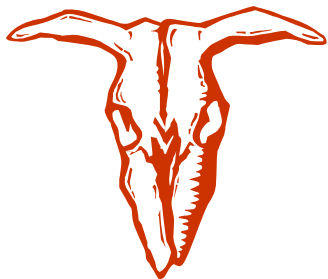
20,000 spectators, so you can be assured that this event will be huge. We will also be featuring the 15th Annual Muscle Mustangs Spring Break Shootout. Make your plans now for a whole weekend of NMRA Heads-Up Drag Racing, a huge **All-Ford Auto Show & Shine**, gigantic Swap Meet and a smoking Burn-out Contest! Come down to the biggest spring break party on the east coast and help us celebrate the start of the 2009 NMRA Season!

The car show portion of this event takes place Saturday and Sunday.

Event pricing for show cars is \$25 for either Sat or Sun and \$35 for both Sat and Sun. Gates open 9 AM Sat and 8 AM Sun. Several club members attended the event last year and we all had a blast. It was my favorite event of the year.

For more information go to: www.nmradigital.com

Paul



Still looking for a volunteer for VP of Programs

Important Dates: Some Tentative

Jan 27- Monthly Meeting at Bill Currie Ford, 7pm, Project discussion night

Jan 31- Quaker Steak & Lube Show

Feb 21 - Orlando Mustang Club Annual Show

Feb 24- No Monthly Meeting, Members meet at N. Dale Mabry Steak & Shake Cruise-In.

Feb 28- AACA National in downtown Lakeland – MCT members trip to view the show

Mar 5-8- NMRA Bradenton Motorsports Park

Mar 10- MCT Board of Directors meeting

Mar 14- MCT Club Cruise to Murrays Speed & Custom show 11-2

Mar 20-21-Pensacola Mustang Club regional show

Mar 24- MCT Monthly meeting

Mar 28- Suncoast Mustang Club regional show

March 29– Bay Pines V.A. Hospital show

Apr 11-Mustangs & Mustangs, Imperial Mustang Club regional show

Apr 16 to 19- Birmingham AL, Mustang 45th Anniversary Show

May 2- MCT Club gathering at Ronnie Setzer Cruise at Burger King Anderson & Gunn 7-10 PM

May 12- MCT Board of Directors meeting

May 16- Jacksonville Mustang Club regional show

May 26- MCT Monthly Meeting - Officer Elections

June 20- MCT Club Cruise to Northpoint cruise-in. Northpoint Shopping Center Hwy 54 east of Veterans Expressway (SR589)

As dates get closer watch newsletter, web site and emails for more info.

Club meetings at Bill Currie Ford the fourth Tuesday of every month. Located in the conference room on the 2nd floor of the showroom

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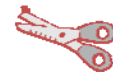


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SUNCOAST MUSTANG CLUB'S 3RD ANNUAL "SPRING FLING" MUSTANG-SHELBY-FORD SHOW SATURDAY MARCH 28, 2009

This show is for any Mustang, Shelby or Shelby Cobra, Ford or Ford Powered Car or Truck – whether in show condition or still a “work in progress”.



Show Registration (*Please Print Neatly*)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Body Style (Circle) Coupe – Convertible – Fastback - ___Door Sedan - Pick-up - Other _____

Color (Exterior) _____ Club Affiliation _____

“Spring Fling” Show Classes (**Check One Only**)

Mustangs

64 ½ - 73: Concours _____ Occasional Driven _____ Unrestored _____ Modified _____

74 – 2005: Driven _____ Modified Driven _____

64 ½ - 2000: Work in Progress _____ (A class to show off a car that you’re still working on – just because you’re not finished doesn’t mean you can’t put your car in our show!!! Let people see what you’ve done and still have to do.)

2006 – 2009: “Stock” Condition _____ Modified _____ (This class will be awarded by Participant Votes)

Other Fords or **Ford Powered Vehicles**

Pre-World War II Ford – “Stock” Condition _____ Modified _____

1946 through 1959 Ford, Lincoln, Mercury - “Stock” Condition _____ Modified _____

1960-through 1979 Ford, Lincoln, Mercury - “Stock” Condition _____ Modified _____

1980 through Current Ford, Lincoln, Mercury - “Stock” Condition _____ Modified _____

1903 through Current Ford, Lincoln, Mercury Work In Progress _____ (A class to show off a car that you’re still working on – just because you’re not finished doesn’t mean you can’t put your car in our show!!! Let people see what you’ve done and still have to do.)

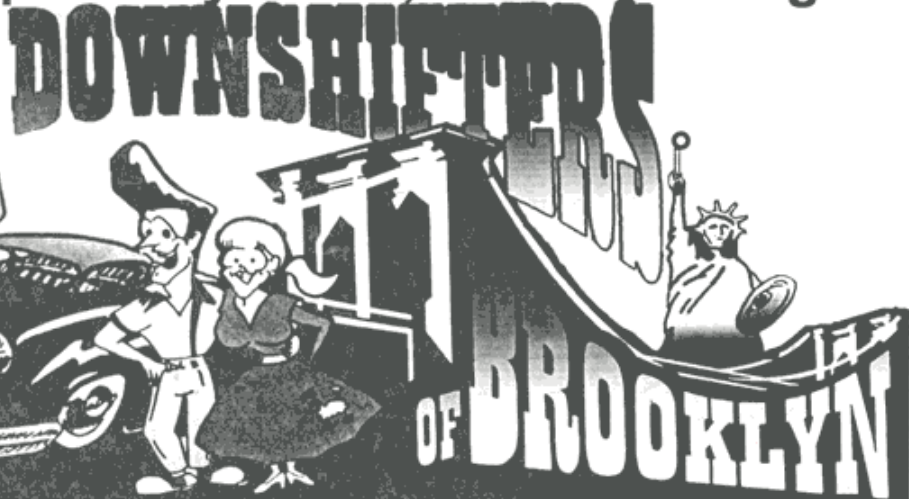
Pre-Registered Cars (Must be postmarked by <u>March 21, 2009</u>)	\$20.00
Day of Show Registration (car will be judged)	\$25.00
Vendor Space (approx 10 X 10)	\$25.00

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VETERANS HOSPITAL CAR SHOW

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8TH Annual

SUNDAY, MARCH 29th, 2009

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Pre-Registration.....\$20.00 Day of Show.....\$25.00

Before March 15th, 2009 (Remember it is a Benefit Show)

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Reg. 8:00 AM to 11:45 AM ☺☺☺☺☺ 12:00 P.M. National Anthem

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Web Site News!!

MCT Web Site

Let's don't forget about our web site. It has a lot of great information and can do much more if you will utilize this resource. For questions or info email our webmaster Jeff Deaton: webmaster@mustangcluboftampa.com

Forums: This seems to be totally forgotten by many and is probably one of the most useful areas of the site there is. Please post your questions and ask for input from fellow members and enthusiasts.

Calendar: One stop for all club meetings and events, and some that's not ours but felt you might like to know anyway. Any event you think may be of interest to our members should be posted here and can be done by Mark Morley or webmaster Jeff.

Pictures: Pics from past events are posted and we would like more. Contact webmaster and send your disc of pictures to him for input.

Member Pages: Jeff can build a page on the web site about your car and even you. Send him pics and a write up and he will get the information posted.

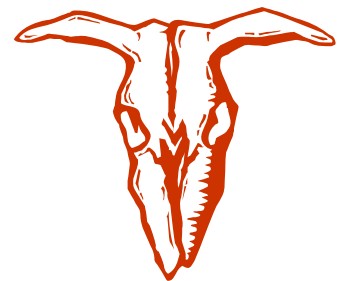
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