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Rocket City Mustang Club

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RCMC Web Site

Our web site is: RocketCityMustang.com. If you would like to put information on our web site please contact our webmaster Keith Kucera at webmaster@rocketcitymustang.com. Pictures of club member cars in whatever condition are always welcome.

Officer's Note

Welcome to another great year for the Rocket City Mustang Club! We concluded 2007 with some great events.....a parade, a movie, and our annual Christmas party/dinner (see club notes for more details). Now we're ready to forge ahead into 2008, our 28th year as a club which is only 4 years younger than the parent Mustang Club of America.

I've hinted that we have some wonderful events planned for this year, and I hope you'll come out and support your club. We've added several new members over the last handful of months and together with our "veteran" members, I believe this year could be one of our best. Get energized and get ready to have some fun!

Club Notes

January 15; meeting called to order at 7:02 PM
Presided over by Michael Liston – President

Guests/New Members: Mike Long, Doug and Dakota Webster, Lawana and John Beard. Mark Stafford also recently mailed in his application for membership, but was not in attendance. Welcome to all!

Old Business

- Treasurer's report
 - Christmas dinner/party paid for, and we have a good start (funds) toward this year's car show and other club-related needs.
 - Expected near-term fund expenditures - trailer maintenance and insurance, and admin. supplies.
- Website report
 - "Hits" or visits to the website continue to rise; Dec07 was one of the most heavily-visited months. Receiving views from many U.S. states, as well as Europe. Recent additions/updates made including updated "Events" page, "Membership" info and form, and May08 show flyer and application. The better the website, the more we're seen which can help us in getting much needed club and/or show sponsorship (more on that later).
- BOD Report: Nothing to report.
- Recent RCMC attended events recap
 - Thanks to member Skip Hamer who organized the "I Am Legend" movie event. Several club members brought their Mustangs to the Hollywood 18 Theater for display. In return, they saw the newly released Will Smith movie. Why? Will Smith drives the new Shelby GT500! Thanks to those who participated and thanks again Skip!
 - 31st Annual WAAY-TV Parade. Eleven members withstood somewhat cold temps and a very loooong wait to show off some beautiful 'Stangs. Several folks brought various food and drink items to help pass the time. We all had some good laughs and discussions, and Channel 31 reporters were "all over" our cars. The parade was televised twice and from what I saw, we got some great airtime. Thanks to all who came!
 - Christmas dinner/party. This annual event just keeps getting bigger. Nearly 60 members and their families attended. This year, we held the event at the Holiday Inn-Madison who also provided a scrumptious and plentiful buffet dinner, hor's deувers, and cash bar. Their staff really went above and beyond....thanks! The Prez read probably the corniest rendition of " 'Twas the Night Before....." which was followed by the infamous (gulp) Dirty Santa. Let's just say there were some "interesting" gifts. In lieu of the recent tragedy (the loss of a Huntsville police officer), we set up a donation jar and collected \$274. Charlotte Dempsey presented the money to Redstone Federal Credit Union who established a fund for the victim's family. Thanks to all for giving from the heart. In all, the dinner/party was a big success....thanks to everyone who came!

New Business

- Activities – See “Upcoming Events” below and always refer to the website and/or forum for more information. * *denotes RCMC club event*
 - We are planning some great events this year. We’ll participate in many of the “usual” events, but also will look into some new ones including a local rally, Stars baseball event, a Falls Mills/Jack Daniels cruise, some car shows and parades. Be sure to see rocketcitymustang.com and click on “Events” for a list of many local/regional shows and events.
 - * **28th Annual Mustang and All-Ford Powered Car Show, May 10, 2008**
 - Show flyer and application on the website.
 - Committees forming NOW; contact the Show Chairman (Mike Liston) to “pony up” and discuss how you can help out. Thanks to those who have contacted me already:
 - Gary D. will lead judging, as well as handle MCA-related issues.
 - Pat M. and Leisa will lead registration. David K., others?, and I will help out.
 - Mike G. has taken the lead for trophies.
 - Other committees include promotions, parking, set-up/tear-down, sponsors, goodie bags, vendors/coral, administrative. Other areas need attention too, so think of how you can best help the show and contact Mike Liston. Also, we need one/two co-chair/directors.

- Similar to the “must have” need for show sponsors, RCMC also needs sponsors for the 2008 year. We’ll work with the perspective sponsor to best meet both our needs. Members should canvas both national and local businesses, companies, and individuals. Let the Prez know so that together, we can lock up some great sponsors for 2008 and beyond.

- T-shirts – various sizes still remain in both ash/grey and yellow; available from the Prez @ \$7 each. More shirts on order (ash/grey only), as well as shirts for the car show are being designed/ordered.

- **Membership dues are due for the 2008 year.** Everyone must re-register every year. Go to the website, click the link for membership, and send in soonest or bring to the Feb. 19 club meeting. Print clearly and provide as much info as possible so that we can best serve you. The website also describes the pertinent by-law entries for membership (I’ve highlighted these on the website’s homepage for your convenience. Thanks for your promptness on this issue.

- Trivia given by Ralph Bischof whose questions/answers were very informative...thanks Ralph! Trivia was won by (new member) Mike Long who will give the trivia contest next month. Way to go Mike!

- Did You Drive Your Mustang? Ed Hodges did and won \$10. In turn, Ed donated the money for club use....thanks Ed! Next pot will be \$10 at the Feb. 19 meeting.

- Did you wear your RCMC-related shirt/pin/jacket? Terri Schmitt did not; the Prez keeps his \$5

- Adjourn at 8:05 PM

Meeting Attendees

Bill Tucker	Bill Dunwoody	Keith Kucera	Lawana Beard
Billy Hammonds	Jeff Manis	Michael Long	John Beard
Bill McEwen	Patrick Turner	Rick Underwood	Michael Liston
Ed Hodges	Chad Whisnant	Pat Martin	
David Kelley	Jennifer Whisnant	Ralph Bischof	
Alicia Kelley	Mike Gosch	Douglas Webster	
Gary Workman	Terri Schmitt	Dakota Webster	

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to members and their families! If we missed your name, let me know and I'll update the records. Since we did not have a December newsletter, I've combined Dec. and Jan.

Shuai Stafford (Jan)	Dakota Webster (Jan)	Steve Eder (Jan)	Heidi Goebel (Dec)
Bear (?) Whisnant (Jan)	Terri Schmitt (Jan)	Jasmine Feria (Jan)	Cheri Manis (Dec)
Jennifer Whisnant (Jan)	Dave R. Gambrell (Jan)		Carolyn Frye (Dec)
Greta Gosch (Jan)	Pam Chaney (Jan)	Bill Tucker (Dec)	Paul Casey (Dec)
Patrick Turner (Jan)	Daphne Drinkard (Jan)	Heather Ackerman (Dec)	Shelby Drinkard (Dec)
Matthew Hosley (Jan)	Ryan Howe (Jan)	Maggie Lainhart (Dec)	Stuart Howe (Dec)
Michael Lainhart (Jan)	Luke Phillips (Jan)	Nicholas Patterson (Dec)	Belinda Phillips (Dec)
Chelsea Pierce (Jan)	Karyn Ruffer (Jan)	Brett Pierce (Dec)	Bill Stem (Dec)
Shirley Talley (Jan)	Ian Goebel (Jan)	Jack Torbert (Dec)	Ann van Leeuwen (Dec)

Upcoming Events (Send notices to president@rocketcitymustang.com)

February 8-10 – 37th Annual O'Reilly World of Wheels

Birmingham, AL, B'ham Convention Complex. See www.worldofwheels.info for more information.

***February 19 – RCMC Monthly Meeting**

7pm, West End Grill (meeting room). Guests are always welcome. We'll discuss club business and play our trivia game. Don't forget to 1) drive your Mustang for a chance at \$10, and 2) wear your RCMC shirt/pin/etc. for a chance at \$5. (*See website for map*)

March 28-30 - Pensacola National 2008

Pensacola, Florida. Hosted by the Gulf Coast Regional Mustang Club at the Pensacola Interstate Fairgrounds. Host hotel will be the Quality Inn (850-944-0333). Log onto the club's website for updated information.

April 19 – Town and Country Ford Big Show 9

Bessemer, Alabama. Hosted by Magic City Mustangs at Town & Country Ford. Event 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Check-in 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Registration \$15. For more information, call Ray Cockrell at 205.661.5365; or email raycockrell@centurytel.net.

May 3 – Pineview Baptist Church 3rd Annual Car/Motorcycle Show

\$15 Registration. Proceeds go to Pineview Baptist Youth Ministry. 9-12 Registration, Awards 2PM. 5614 Highway 53 in Harvest between Jeff Road and Burwell Road. Contact Pineview Baptist Church 852-9571, Steve Burch 721-0557, steve.patti@yahoo.com

***May 10 – RCMC 28th Annual Mustang and All-Ford Powered Show**

Location: Madison Square Mall - Sears parking lot. Event hours are 8am-5pm with check-in running 8am. Registration fee is \$20 (pre-registration \$15 prior to April 10 before April 10, 2008). Host: Rocket City Mustang Club; rain or shine; Modif. MCA rules; 1st/2nd/ 3rd place awards, goodie bags, door prizes, 50/50, vendors, parts corral. Info/pre-registration: rocketcitymustang.com \$20 fee(\$15 prior to APR 10);\$20 vendor/corral fee(no discount);Active Military w/ valid ID: one free entry. For more information, call Michael Liston at 256-859-6430 or email president@rocketcitymustang.com or visit the website at <http://www.rocketcitymustang.com>.

May 24 – Best Car Show Regardless 2008

Presented by the Birmingham Mustang & Ford Club at Jim Skinner Ford. Proceeds go to Children's Harbor. Check out www.birminghammustangclub.com for more show information or send an email to bmcwebmail@bellsouth.net

Classifieds

Any RCMC member who wishes to place a free ad in the classified section, please send information to president@rocketcitymustang.com.

Ed Morfenski -



1967 Mustang Coupe, \$11,000. Ed Morfenski. 289 V-8, Automatic, power steering, factory A/C, deluxe interior, new paint, new vinyl top, new tires, excellent conditions, complete maintenance records. Contact Ed phone 256-883-8245, email morfenskie@bellsouth.net.

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Please contact Chad Whisnant at (256) 566-6298 or E-mail [cawhiz@charter.net](mailto:cawhiz@charter.net)

- #1 Set of 289 Heads (Large Valves) Ready to bolt on. \$ 500.00
- #2 1965-1966 Back Glass \$ 250.00
- #3 Mustang Front Bench Seat \$ 200.00
- #4 1965 Mustang Hood ( small dent in center) \$ 150.00
- #5 Stock 289 Heads \$ 100.00
- #6 Stock 289 Cast Manifolds \$ 50.00
- #7 Front and Rear Window Chrome \$ 75.00
- #8 1965 Front Bumper \$ 50.00
- #9 289 Crankshaft (ground 0.010" undersized) \$ 50.00

#1



#2



#3





Above car and 67/68 Cougar Parts, via Steve Spatola (colsteve@sbcglobal.net)

1. 2 hoods, very good shape, one has a slight dent in the nose.
2. XR7 right door. You can tell because of the door panel.
3. Three stainless wheel moldings - need to be reconditioned.
4. 1 RH Fender and one other RH fender with 6.5 Liter logo attached
5. 2 rear bumpers, straight
6. 3 front bumpers, straight
7. 4 lower valances for front end with parking lights, slight damage on them but easily repaired
8. 3 complete front grills with vacuum reservoirs, and 1 RH half of a grill.
9. 1 sequential light box. Unknown of its operability.
10. 1 pair of rear lights
11. 1 ignition switch, no key.
12. 1 pair of front R&L brake drums and shoes. He converted his Cougar to disc brakes.
13. 1 rear decklid with XR7 badge. Good condition, no dents.
14. 1 hood latch assembly. This is what is between the grills.
15. 1 front headlight ballast.

*And finally.....*

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I have adopted the theme “28 in 2008....Let’s Celebrate!” as a way to encourage member participation in what could be a banner year for RCMC. But, that’s up to you.....it will only be as great as you want it to be...meaning you get what you put into it. This is supposed to be fun! Feel free to contact me with your ideas, comments, etc. The best way is [president@rocketcitymustang.com](mailto:president@rocketcitymustang.com) (Include “RCMC” in the subject line).

Peace and Happy Motoring.....

*Michael W. Liston*

President, Rocket City Mustang Club  
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