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Rocket City Mustang Club

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RCMC Web Site

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



1966 Mustang 2+2

Officers Note

Happy New Year! And with the new yaer, we will be changing meeting locations. Our next monthly meeting will be held on 17 January 2006 at Oh! Bryan's Steakhouse in Madison. It is located near the Madison Public Library near the intersection of Hughes Road and Browns Ferry Road/Madison Pike.

Club dues are due! \$12.

Club Notes

20 Dec	2005	Attendees

Madeleine Bryant	Patrick Bryant	Gary Dempsey	Charlotte Dempsey
Mark Dorner	Mike Foley	Michael Gosch	Greg Gullatt
Ken Gullatt	Eric Kaempfer	Karyn Kaempfer	David Kelley
James Lambert	Julie Liston	Mike Liston	Pat Martin
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Patrick Turner	Vic van Leeuwen	Chad Whisnant	Jennifer Whisnant
Andy Wittschen			

Call to Order at 7:35 PM

- BOD Report no report.
- Website Update Donathan Hutchings, not present, no report.
- Club Roster, 70 active members.
- Charity donations have been setup for January, dates to be determined.
- Webmaster needed Patrick Bryant has volunteered to be the new webmaster. The transition is in progress.
- The meeting location has been changed to Oh! Bryan's Steakhouse in Madison.
- No additional old business.

New Business

- Madeleine Bryant is helping out with a charity that accepts old cell phones. They are reprogrammed to only allow the user to dial 911. If you needed a reason to get a new cell phone, this is it. So bring your old cell phones in to the club and we will pass them on.
- Trailer we will schedule a time to go through the old trailer and decide what to keep/throw away/replace and decide how all of it will fit into the new trailer.
- Club dues are due! Bring \$12 to the next meeting.

No trivia in December.

No "Did you drive your Mustang?" in December. Next month's pot is \$10.

Adjourn, 7:45 PM

Activities

If you attend an event, send an email with a description to scott_mccusker@hotmail.com.

Jan. 4, Dairy Queen Cruise-In, Madison AL

A nice unusually warm January night with the usual crowd.

January 6 - 8, 2006 Frosty Wheels Car Show & Swap Meet, Franklin TN No report .

Jan. 7 - 8, 2006, National Parts Depot's 12th Annual Ford & Mustang Roundup, Silver Springs FL No report.

Upcoming Events, please check our website for details

If anyone knows of an upcoming event please send the information to Donathan Hutchings and me.

January 14 - 15, 2006, 15th Annual Nashville Auto Fest, Nashville TN

Tennessee State Fairgrounds. Admission \$10; children under 10 free. Info: Keith or Sharon (270) 769-5686 - (502) 245-8107 - (502) 893-6731 e-mail: info@nashvilleautofest.com, http://www.nashvilleautofest.com

February 5, 2006, 18th Annual Nashville Auto Swap Meet, Nashville TN

Stones River Region AACA. Tennessee State Fairgrounds. Info: Bruce Hickerson, (615) 890-1144

February 10 - 12, 2006, 35th Annual World of Wheels, Birmingham AL

Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex. Info: Sonny McLean (205) 655-4950 or www.bjcc.org.

April 22, 2006, Cruisin' For A Cure for American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, Trinity AL

Joe Wheeler EMC 25700 AL HWY 24. Prizes with \$500 CASH as the Grand Prize. Swamp John will be there serving up fish and chicken plates. \$20 1st Vehicle, \$10 each subsequent vehicles. Contact: Kenneth Hanvy, (256) 552-2347, (256) 303-1370, (256) 685-0587, E-mail: bynum@jwemc.org

May 13, 2006, GRMC Track Day, Talladega, Anniston AL

Sign up early before all the spots are taken. \$130 for all day, \$45 for one 20 minute session. http://georgiaregionalmustangclub.com/ Contact: Patrick Kelley (404) 966-4004 pbkelley@bellsouth.net

2006 Nationals

March 24 - 25, 2006, Gulf Coast Regional Mustang Show, Pensacola FL

If you plan on attending and haven't already reserved a room, do so now. Chances are the host hotel is already full. www.gcrmc.com

May 26 - 28, 2006, First Tennessee Regional Group Show, Johnson City TN www.mustang-club.net

July 14 - 16, 2006, New England Mustang Nationals 2, Sturbridge MA www.mccne.com

August 11 - 13, 2006, Lake Erie Mustang Owners Club Show, Erie PA www.lemoc.com

September 1 - 4, 2006, MCA 30th Anniversary Stampede, Birmingham AL

In lieu of a Grand National in 2006, a celebration for the 30th anniversary of the MCA will be held on Labor Day Weekend at Barber Motorsports Park in Birmingham, Alabama. More information to come.

September 29 - October 1, 2006, Mustang Club of Las Vegas Show, Las Vegas NV www.mustangcluboflv.org

January Birthdays

Happy Birthday to members and their families:

Lee AmersonSteve EderGreta GoschTony IsomCraig KaempferKaryn KaempferLeisa SmithPatrick TurnerJennifer Whisnant

Classifieds

Any RCMC member who wishes to place a free ad in the classified section, please send information to Scott McCusker scott-mccusker@hotmail.com. RCMC promotional items available on our website. For those listing adds, please advise when the add can be deleted.



Set of 289 heads (large valves) ready to bolt on. \$500

1965-1966 Coupe back glass. \$250



65 – 66 Mustang front bench seat. \$200

Ford 8" rear end (5 lug). \$100



65 – 66 Fiberglass Shelby style front valance. \$100

1965 Mustang hood (small dent in center). \$150 Stock 289 heads. \$100 Front and rear (coupe) window chrome. \$75 C4 Transmission (may need rebuild). \$75 Stock 289 cast manifolds. \$50 1965 front bumper. \$50 289 Crankshaft (ground 0.010" undersized). \$50 Contact Chad Whispant (256) 566 6208 coupling.

Contact Chad Whisnant (256) 566-6298 cawhiz@charter.net for all these 1965-1966 parts.

1966 Mustang Coupe, \$8000 obo, Daniel James. Restored original 6 cyl. auto 45k miles copper with tan interior show winner appraised \$12000.00 day time 256-332-3757 ask for Daniel, night (256) 332-0193

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.



1988 Mustang GT. \$5500. Mark Dorner (256) 655-3045, dorner mail@yahoo.com.



Wanted

68 ½ Mustang fastback 428CJ. It must be an original matching numbers car. Willing to pay market price for a car of driver quality or better. Contact Gabriel DeFeo at 401-241-7538, email mrgqguy2001@cox.net

Restoration

At the beginning of this newsletter is a picture of me and my 1966 Mustang 2+2 in April 2003 the day I got it. Its current state is pretty much the same with a little more rust and a little less metal. My hope is that posting the progress of this ground up restoration will provide some entertaining reading, some restoration tips & pitfalls, and some motivation for me to get working on it. The entire restoration is expected to take several years (I don't get paid to be president of the club, but will accept any donations the club is willing to part with), so the progress will be slow. It is also my hope that others will write some articles on restoring, rebuilding, installing, and general tech tips that I can include in the newsletter.

Another idea that has been brought up is for club members to put on an informal instructional class of sorts. For example, somebody could show others how to rebuild a carburetor, or adjust the timing, or rebuild drum brakes. This is obviously not mandatory for anyone to do, but what could it hurt if you were going to perform the task anyway to invite club members over and show them how to do it. Keep that in mind the next time you are working on your car.

Here are the specifications of my Mustang:

The original specifications: 1966 Mustang 2+2
Candyapple red with red interior 200cid straight 6
C-4 3-speed automatic transmission 4 wheel manual drum brakes
Power steering
7.5" rear end with 2.80:1 gears

The current spec's (same as above with these changes): Blue exterior with black interior 1970 Mach 1 bucket seats Rust

The future spec's:
Wimbledon White with metallic green LeMans stripes
331 stroker motor
T-5 5-speed manual transmission
9" traction lock rear with 3.25:1 or 3.50:1 gears
Aluminum driveshaft
4 wheel power disk brakes
Rack and pinion steering
1970 Mach 1 bucket seats

I bought the car on Ebay from Maine. Yes it was and is rusty, and yes I was aware of it before buying it. I pretty much got the car for free and paid for all the new sheet metal that came with it. It may not be the best car to use as a restoration, but if it can be saved it will be worth it. The first step to restoring is disassembling the entire car, so stay tuned for the next installment of this restoration.

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Newsletter

The Rocket City Mustang Club regularly meets the **THIRD TUESDAY** of each month at a location to be announced. The meeting starts at 7:00pm.

Next Meeting: Jan. 17, 2006

Next month's meeting will be at Oh! Bryan's Steakhouse 100 Plaza Blvd, Madison AL, phone 325-2792. The meeting will start at **7:00pm**

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