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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

The big news of September was our Annual Mustang Roundup at Wray Ford and the High Low Fast Slow car show at the end of the month.

Our show on September 16th turned out to be another great success with 71 registered cars in attendance. The weather, although hot, was not as sweltering due to the lower humidity and the light breeze that kept the air moving throughout the day. The only real challenge happened at the end of the show when our computer decided to not correctly tally awards causing us to regroup and mail out all the class awards the following week. As it turned out, all awards were correctly tallied, just some class information didn't look correct at the time, causing us to question the results. Due to this, we decided to manually verify the tally rather than assume it was correct. I'd rather be safe than sorry for our show patrons.

Thanks to Chris and Tina Ponder who stepped up, and got all the plaques out in the mail or hand delivered to the various club representatives by the following weekend. It is dedicated club members like these that ensure our shows will continue to be as successful as possible in the future. Special thanks also to all our die hard long-time club members who come out to this show every year and do their part to put on a great show, along with our new members, who help us out wherever we need them.

I also want to thank all our judges who came out from other clubs to help judge our show, specifically Mopar Magic who supplied 9 of their members creating 2 groups of judges. We will be at your show in March to help judge your show next year.

Every year we learn something new and this year was no exception. It all boils down to the Membership coming together and performing like a well-oiled machine despite Murphy showing up and gumming up the works. Thanks to everyone for once again pulling off a great Mustang Roundup Show.

Last Saturday was the High Low Fast Slow car show and drive in movie, which I was able to get out to and work. As it turned out, I was unable to enter my car in the show because I was notified that my work vehicle was going to be inspected the following week, so I had to use my cleaning time on that rather than the Mustang. It didn't matter, because the club was well represented with several members either showing their own cars, working the show or both. Thanks to all club members that showed up to help support Nicole and her charity.

It was a great day for a show, low temps and low humidity making the weather bearable until the sun went down. Then it got cooler and made watching the movie much more enjoyable. Shane's Catering was there serving catfish, burgers and corny dogs, along with the usual drive in fare of popcorn, cotton candy, and the usual candy bars, M&Ms, and other candies you would find at the movies.

After the intermission and the awards were announced, at least half of the over 80 cars registered remained to watch the rest of the movie. I think everyone had a great time, and several people commented on the novelty of the drive-in movie idea, and Nicole is planning on doing the same next year. A great way to finish off the month of September.

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POINTS FROM PONDER

Ever consider running for the Board of Directors?

WANTED: People who have the Love for the Club and the Energy and Dedication to help make the Club the most Premier Car Club in the area! This is the time of the year when submissions for positions on the RRCMC Board of Directors are accepted. We are hereby seeking hard-working, dedicated men and women who want to become part of this great team by running for a position on the Board.

You must be a current member in good standing of the club for the previous 12 months to serve on the Board of Directors. Please remember that serving on the Board in any capacity is not simply a name-only position. You will be required to put forth a lot of effort, time, and personal expense to attend Board of Directors meetings. The Board meets monthly on the third Wednesday of the month. To run for a position on the board submit a platform with your name and position that you wish to run for to any board member, by mail, email or in person. Platforms should be submitted 45 days prior to the December meeting. Voting for next year's board will occur at the December meeting.

We currently have several vacant positions and in addition, several board members have served for many years. Current vacancies are Internet Director, Activities Director, and Show Director. In addition, Lane has expressed his desire for at least a year to step down as Newsletter Editor. There are many opportunities to serve in this great club, please consider and run for a position.

Chris Ponder, Secretary



POLITICS

I, Mark Winderweedle, am seeking the position as the Internet Director.

As the majority of current communications is being relayed electronically in today's society, and predominately in the younger generations, we need an Internet Director who has the time to devote to keeping our Internet presence updated and current.

As a point of discussion, the club needs to discuss and decide the route the club will take with our Internet Presence. Do we go with a service provider that will cost the club money on a monthly or annual basis, do we stay with the current Internet presence, or what other options are available. This should be a decision made by club members and executed by your Board of Directors.

If elected, I will do my best to present the Internet presence of this magnificent club to the public in a positive light with the ultimate goals of keeping the information current and attracting new members to the club and club sponsored events.

I will also retain my position as Vice President if I am so re-elected to that position. As always, if there is another candidate who wishes to assume the duties of Vice President, I will happily relinquish my position to the new individual and help them do that job to the best of my abilities

Thank you for your time and attention,
Mark Winderweedle
Vice President
RRCMC



I, Sabrina Lane, a member of good standing for nine years, am seeking to fill the position of Activities Director. If elected as our club's Activities Director, I will work to develop and implement exciting monthly activity rotations for our club that will provide fellowship opportunities at a variety of local venues.

Sabrina Lane
for
Activities Director

My years of experience as a Marketing Director will not only enhance my ability to organize and host fun-filled activities for our club, but will also provide me with the necessary skills to create and promote recruitment activities that will attract and retain new members for our local club.

If elected Activities Director, I will also reach out to other local Mustang clubs to join forces for local community outreach opportunities. It will also be my honor to keep our members informed about all internal activities, as well as providing them with up-to-date information about local car shows and other local car club events.



I sincerely hope that you will be able to attend our Election Meeting on December 2nd, 2018, where I would very much appreciate your vote.

Sincerely Yours,
Sabrina Lane





The club had a good turnout for the Harrison Paint show



Waiting on the movie at High Low Fast Slow

Dear RRCMC Members,

Lately there have been numerous discussions among club members on various aspects of the Red River Classic Mustang Club.

1. RRCMC's primary purpose is a fund-raising activity for charity organization
2. We should change the incorporation of the club to become "Non-Profit" vs Not for Profit
3. We should drop the word "Classic" from the name of our club

Webster's dictionary defines the word "Club" as "an association or organization dedicated to a particular interest or activity."

If you read the RRCMC bylaws, "Article I, SECTION 2: Purpose: The general purpose of the club is to encourage use, service, and preservation of all Ford and Ford powered vehicles, Classic Fords and Mustangs regardless of year (1/01). Ownership of a Classic Ford or Mustang is not required." This statement has been in the club's bylaws since its inception in 1992.

Over the years, one of our clubs main activities has been raising monies for charities. We all enjoy this work and enjoy seeing the benefits of our work going to help those people and organizations which need assistance. This charitable-based work the club performs has become a "Function" of the club, but not the "Purpose" of the club.

When is the last "We, as a Club" have congregated just to enjoy the comradery of fellow club members? Picnic? Bowling? Putt-putt golf? Or anything gathering just to enjoy getting together? Is it time "We" got back to the personal level this club has enjoyed for many years?

Next, the rules under which the club was legally established and formalized. Non-profit versus 501c(3) Charitable Organization. If you go back some years ago, there might have been good reasoning for this change from our current Not for Profit incorporation. Since the recession of 2008, companies that had the extra cash flow no longer have the abundance of funding available to disperse for charities. Still, if the Club membership decides we should make this move, the board of directors will enact the wishes of the club.

Be fully aware, this move is going to cost over \$1000 to enact. This cost is the cost of filing fees to Federal and State entities, legal fees, accounting fees, and everyone else in the process chain with regulatory fees to make the changes. After we make the changes, pay all of the fees, what are the financial benefits to the Club and to the charities we enjoy supporting?

Very little if any benefits. Number one reason, companies no longer have the funds available. Number two, these companies can take the tax write-offs as advertising without limitations on amounts. Changing incorporation will also require us to hire other professionals to do accounting auditing, legal representation, and other expenses which will extract from the money availability for our charities and limit our choices on selection of the charities.

Next, the word "Classic" in our name inhibits people with newer Mustangs from deciding to join our organization. This one is probably very true. Again, over time we have come to embrace ALL Mustangs. Sometimes the newer models take a little while to grow on us. Just like the Mustang II, it is part of the Mustang history.

Should the Club decide this word "Classic" needs to be eliminated from our "Legal" name, the board of directors will enact the desires of the club members. Remember, this is the members club and the board of directors work for the Club membership. Not the other way around. The club should provide guidance to the board of directors, the board of directors investigate, discuss, research, and bring the information to the club for final enact or drop decision. If the Club decides the action to enact, the board of directors will take necessary steps to enact the wishes of the Club.



Just a few of the many excellent vehicles at the 24th Annual Mustang Roundup and Ford Show





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THE EVENT PLANNER

Hey all you mustang fans, Fall is here and it is time to enjoy the last few cruise nights and meetings for the year. Before you drink too many pumpkin spice lattes, let's get this month started. We start off Saturday the 7th with our monthly meeting 5:00 pm at the Asbury Church in Bossier City on Airline Drive. We will be cruising to River City Grille on Benton Road for dinner. Saturday the 14th we will be cruising to Marshall. We will be meeting at the Texas Welcome Center 2:00 pm and then cruising out as a group. Our monthly board meeting is Wednesday the 18th 6:30 Reed Industrial off Mt Zion Road. Friday the 20th is the Jefferson Texas Cruise Night downtown. Then last, on Saturday the 28th is the last Asbury Motor Club Cruise Night for the year. Don't miss out 4-6 pm.

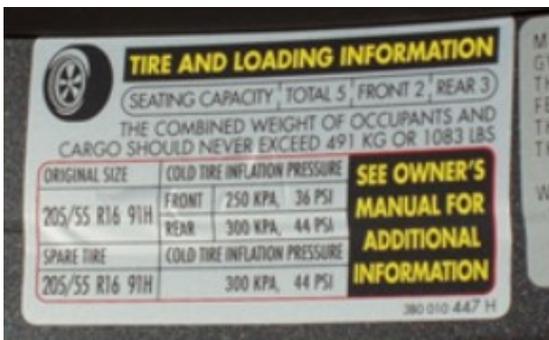
Just a reminder that our Christmas Party will be after the December meeting 7:00 pm. We will be partying at Romas Italian Restaurant on Mansfield Road. It is super yummy so bring your appetite. Also, bring your round robbing gift, and this is an adults only party so be sure to book those baby sitters now!

Happy Fall Y'all
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