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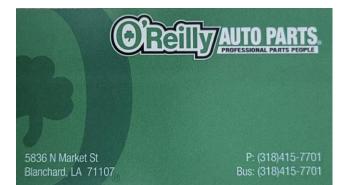
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From the President

Hello Mustang Family !! It's almost show time. The DJ has been confirmed. Food truck confirmed...Italian ice confirmed. VFW confirmed. As well as Mopar having 8 judges for us ! Things are starting to come together. We received the Rountree check and they are getting excited. We will discuss goody bag stuffing and door prizes etc at our meeting. Hope to see you all there and signing up to help. This is your show and our largest money maker for our club. Let's make it a success !

Keep the shiny side up...Tom

Tom Hughes President, Red River Mustang Club



And Sally Sits By Secretary John Brewer

Always a Ford Man

By Secretary John Brewer

I seem to have always owned Fords. Can't remember ever owning anything other than a Ford. Oh, yes there was a Volkswagen I bought once. Actually, I owned nine VWs before I bought my first Mustang that ran. And I once drug a 1936 Chevy pickup out of the woods behind a fellow's house however I never could get it to run. Yep, pretty much always owned Fords.

Back in my teen years several friends and I liked to find Model As in the woods, or a barn, or whatever and drag them to David's house. He had a large carport and wide driveway and a tolerant father who let us work undisturbed way into the late hours of the night. We would tinker and take apart and on occasion put back together the latest Model A prize we had obtained.

I didn't own any of those vehicles but I did get a share when we sold a fender, or bumper, or some other part. We even made a Model A run once, I mean you could drive it and the brakes worked and all. We sold it for a couple of hundred bucks and split the profits.

I had a friend who lived way out in the country on Beouf River and there was a 1929 Model A sedan sitting in the front yard. We all played on it. Pretending we were driving when we were kids. Came time to get rid of it and I became the owner. I tinkered with it a while, then sold it off. It never did run.

Another time I got an engine and transmission and frame rails. It was a Model A of some kind, I don't remember the year, but it also failed to fire despite new plugs, points, etc. That one also was sold off, to the local scrap yard as I remember. Mr. Jackson gave me 5 or 10 bucks for it and he came to get it.

I got close to a running vehicle when I obtained a 1936 Chevy pickup from a fellow who owed my dad some money. He owed the Motor Company for parts he had obtained, but he did not owe enough to cover the full price of the Chevy. I went into my dad's parts bins and dug out an engine rebuild kit and set of rings for a 1948 Chevy sedan and made the trade. Suddenly I'm a Chevy man. The pickup never did run, either.

I got my first summer job during college. It was the first time I ventured out on my own and I needed wheels. It was May, 1964 and you can guess what I wanted. My dad and mom and I went to Monroe looking for a Mustang. The Ford dealer had none. He didn't have any brochures or posters or anything. The place had been stripped clean.

Dad knew a used car man named Teddy Roosevelt Taylor who worked at the used VW store on Louisville Avenue, so off we went. I put up \$100. Mom put up \$100. And the local bank put up the rest. That got me my first-ever running automobile, a 1960 VW Beetle. It was rust colored and had 76,125 miles showing. But it was all mine. I was a Ford man, but in a brief recess. That recess saw me through a couple of years of college, 4 years in the Air Force, several jobs and nine Volkswagens.

The final VW was a 1972 Beetle with the transmission and clutch expertly blown by me. I traded it in on a brand new 1974 Mustang II. There was a sticker on the windshield proclaiming "Motor Trend's Car of the Year." When I traded it off in 1978, the same magazine was talking about the Mustang II being the worst car ever. They hated it more than they hated the Pinto or the Corvair. But I really loved that car.

A year ago, I obtained my latest Mustang, a 1984 GT 350. It's gonna be a show car, but so far it has only shown up at the repair shop. There was a brief excursion to a show in Missouri last spring. I have been trouble-shooting and repairing what all went wrong on that trip ever since. Maybe someday she will be back on the road.

And less than two weeks ago I said goodbye to the only "performance" Mustang I have owned. In September 2013 I spotted a 2008 Bullitt on a used car lot. I put 100,000 hard miles on her. I drove her in the mountains, on the interstate and back country roads. Stomp it and go. Drive like you stole her. Last week I drove away from the dealer in a brand new to me F-150 STX. I really had to downsize the fleet. But I miss the extremely comfortable seats, the short throw shifter, and the stomp-it-and-go from the Ford Racing enhanced V8.

How's your Mustang doing?

Secretary's Notebook From: John Brewer

From Rusty

it's about show time!!!

IT'S SHOWTIME!!! Only a couple of weeks and our annual show will be here. Volunteers are needed to pull off a successful show. Our club is known for our shows of the past. If you have the opportunity to help, the Friday before the show, we'll be moving things from storage to the show site. Any/all assistance is appreciated.

At this point, I'm not sure which Mustang/s we'll have at the show. I've been doing a bit of upgrading/cleaning to Blue Diamond, my '65. Of course, we could bring the 7-UP convertible or the Roush....Decisions, decisions.

We just returned from a camping trip in our travel trailer, it's been quite a while since we've had it out. Sure was great to get away for a few days of nature with peace and quiet. We're looking forward to doing this more often!!

See 'ya at the show!!

Keep the Ponies on the Road Rusty





A Bit of Cents



From the Treasurer & MCA Regional Director

Our club show is in less than 3 weeks!

I certainly hope that you have made plans to come help and enjoy the show!

Remember... our show can only be as successful and memorable as us club members make it.

The show shirt should be ready in the next week or so; had a few printing issues. Goody bag stuffers are in short supply, but at least we'll have a little in there. We have a few door prizes... remember that "help" mentioned above...the club needs YOUR help.

I ask for your help and support in spreading the word about <u>our</u> show; through word of mouth, hanging flyers, sharing on your social media pages, etc. Additionally, your help is needed on show day! We need <u>US</u> (yes, us club members) to help set up in the morning of the show, park participants, register participants, sell 50/50 tickets, donate and run silent auctions, help participants with questions throughout the day and to help clean up at the end of day!!!!

Chris and me attended and judged the MCA National Show in Des Moines, Iowa a couple weeks ago; the next and last national show (Savannah GA) is in the beginning of October and is still open until the 8th for registration!

Mustangs in Historic Savannah National

October 11, 2024 - October 13, 2024

Presented by the Savannah Mustang Club

Show Email - <u>savannahmustangclub2019@yahoo.com</u>

Website - Mustangsinhistoricsavannah.com

If you're a MCA member, you received your ballot to vote your selections for the National Board of Directors. Please vote... it's not only a privilege to be able to vote, but isn't that also part of why you joined MCA?!

Tina RRCMC Treasurer MCA Regional Director

Kelly's Blog

Hey everyone Our show is just right around the corner . We still need volunteers to stuff what is have of the goodie bags and what ever else we may need. After out meeting we will be going to papa and company on airline drive bye Johnny's pizza and across the street from Marcos.

I totally forgot it was by my house. Hope yall are getting ready for the show I know I will be. Well on a personal note as everyone knows I'm still at Kroger and my schedule is very odd I never know when I'm off. I also still love living in Benton so hopefully we all can get together soon.

Kelly, aka Ducky Show/Activities Director







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Mustangs in Historic Savannah National October 11, 2024 - October 13, 2024 OPENING SOON



September 2024

Julane Monahan

Upcoming Events

September 7: RRCMC Monthy Meeting at VFW in Bossier 5:30pm September 17: RRCMC Board Meeting Shane's in Bossier September 21: RRCMC Pony Round Up

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