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Club Purpose: To provide a common meeting ground for Mustang owners and further the enjoyment of ownership; to include workshops, discussions and technical meetings; to promote a more favorable relationship with the general motoring public; to further the preservation and restoration of all Mustangs.

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Last Thursday of Each Month

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Dinner: 6 PM • Meeting: 7 PM



from the
president



from the
editor

Greetings and Happy New Year to all of you!!
Welcome to 2024!

I thank you for putting your trust in me to lead CVMC for 2024. I am excited for the New Year and it is my hope that we can have a great year.

I wish to thank Joe Colvin for his leadership of our club from 2020 thru 2023. He came in as president in January 2020 and then we had the covid-19 shutdown starting in March and lasting much longer than “the three weeks to flatten the curve”. Survival of a social club without any activities is a tough job. A meeting via zoom leaves a lot to be desired. Great job Joe on keeping CVMC together thru several very challenging years!

This year we have four new people on our board: Chris McKinney, Linda Alexander, and Isaiah Montion as members-at-large, and Lynnelle Beckley as Sunshine Committee. We have several returning: Dave Ward as VP, Susan Ward as Secretary, John Briar as Treasurer, Diane Buren as member-at-large, Mary Kokkali as Activities Chair, Robin McCann as Merchandise, Paul Beckley as Webmaster & as our new Membership Chair

We have an exciting year of activities and events planned for all of us. Mary K. is going to have an Activities planning meeting very soon; this is your opportunity to help decide on club events. I believe that activities, including car shows, are the lifeblood of our club!

It is hard to be in a bad mood when you get to drive a Mustang!

Wishing all of you a great 2024!

Happy Mustanging to all of you!

Brandon Walker
CVMC President

Well, we're back at it.

I myself must have got a bit comfortable over the holidays. I'm getting sideways on two wheels to get the first issue of the newsletter out.

First off, welcome to the New 2024 CVMC Board. If you're new to the club or the board, you had your chance to run. We are quite an addicting group.

I'd also like to welcome, my new page-mate, Brandon Walker to the neighborhood.

If you have any stories or pictures you'd like to share in the newsletter, please don't hesitate. Also, please talk to Lynne Rayner about doing a member profile article about yourself.

And finally, Joe Colvin who's been president 3 days before water it seems. Thanks for all the hard work and THANKS for saving my ass on many many occasions. This man came through every-single-time for me in getting material for the newsletter. Thanks buddy!



Garo Chekerdeman
CVMC - Newsletter Editor

upcoming events

FEBRUARY 2024

Date	Time	Event Type	Description
3 Sat	10:00AM - 12:00PM ☑	■	Monthly club breakfast Club Breakfast/Blossom Trail Cafe
	12PM - 1PM ☑	■	Activities meeting After the club breakfast
10 Sat	6PM - 8PM ☑	■	MOVIE NIGHT Steve McQueen's Bullitt
26 Mon	6PM - 8:30PM ☑	■	CVMC Board Meeting @ Helen's Gourmet Chinese
29 Thu	7PM - 8PM ☑	■	C.V.M.C. General Membership Monthly Meeting

That's all Folks!

Check online for updates and additions

happy birthday

JANUARY

- Jan 4 Robert Tyler
- Jan 7 Tish Davis
- Jan 7 Laura Gardner
- Jan 8 Chris Butterfield
- Jan 10 Kest Cousins
- Jan 16 Cheryl McCutchan
- Jan 16 Crystal Pistol
- Jan 18 Jaime Pulmano
- Jan 23 Christian Vellandi
- Jan 26 Chris McKinney
- Jan 27 Dan Clingenpeel
- Jan 31 Denise Gordon



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February 29th, 2024

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CVMC Member Profile: Stephen Butterfield

By: Lynne Rayner



WANTED: Primered 1967 Mustang GT fastback with a 4" cowl induction hood, small block 302 with a 5-speed manual. Bare interior with sheet metal dash, (2) racing seats with 5-point harness welded to a 6-point cage. Push button high torque starter also. Air conditioning would be nice too, but not entirely necessary.

This is Stephen Butterfield's dream car, and he is accepting donations!

In the meantime, however, he is driving a white 1984 GT 350 that he purchased in 2015 from Mary and Tony Kokalis. It is mostly stock except for "a K&N air filter and a new (stock replacement) suspension." In one of those moments of Nature's twisted sense of humor, the day it came out of the shop, a large branch from a eucalyptus tree fell on the car and dented the frame and hood! It doesn't matter to Stephen; he drives it every day anyway.

Stephen's interest in Mustangs started in a small way; when he was 15 and wanted to work on a project of some kind to keep busy, he decided to build a 1964 Mustang model. Later, in 2014 or 2015, he joined the club when his brother Chris did. He enjoys being a member because of the people who have encouraged him on his car's progress and life in general. The best part is that he has the chance to talk to them one-on-one in a small group; he likes that personal aspect.

He carries the enjoyment of that personal aspect into his job as Pro Shop Assistant at Valley Oaks Golf Course in Visalia where he greets the golfers as they check in. He also makes sure they know which course they are playing, and if they need any supplies he can help them with that. In addition, he sets tee times for the course.



As well as working at the golf course, Stephen tries to find time to play some golf himself. Other enjoyable activities include spending time with his three-year old cat Bruder and trying his hand at growing four three-year old fruit trees, two peach and two apple. Although he wasn't ecstatic about the fruit production this last year, he plans to do some repotting, which might help this year. Of course, he also enjoys working on his car when he can. He remembers going to the 2016 "Fabulous Fords Forever" show watching the cars leave and dreaming about working on some of them too!

An interesting idea that he has for the club is to stage a car show at the golf course where he works. The golfers may not want to have to walk over tire tracks on their way to the fourth hole, but those pony tires would look really good on the green!

and introducing Bruder

Current Ford Mustang Production Is Ending in 2028: Report [Update From Ford]

Report that the S650 Mustang will end production in 2028 is “not accurate,” according to Ford.

It feels like the S650-generation Mustang just got here but its life cycle could already have an end date. According to a report from Muscle Cars and Trucks originally published on Nov. 30, the labor agreement between the United Auto Workers Union (UAW) and Ford details production plans for various vehicles and manufacturing plants. Such plans reportedly indicate that the brand-spanking-new S650 Mustang will end production in 2028 when the new UAW agreement ends.

Update Dec. 4, 2023, 3:45 p.m. ET: A Ford spokesperson told *The Drive* via email that the *Muscle Cars and Trucks* report is “not accurate,” and added that Ford “won’t comment on speculation regarding future product.”

Update Dec. 4, 2023, 3:10 p.m. ET: Ford declined to comment when asked by *The Drive* about the validity of this report. Instead, a Ford representative directed us to *Muscle Cars and Trucks*’ updated story and to the UAW’s hourly employee highlighter following the new contract’s ratification, which states that “Mustang will continue” production at Ford’s Flat Rock Assembly plant into 2028, when the contract is set to expire.

The outlet’s original report has now been updated, though if the rumor was true, it would give the S650 Mustang a short life cycle but one that’s considerably longer than its main rival, the Chevy Camaro. The Bowtie’s pony car is dead after this year but the V8-powered Mustang will live on until at least 2028, which should make Mustang fans happy.

What could come after 2028? Ford hasn’t released any plans for the Mustang’s future after the S650 generation. But there have been rumors suggesting that the next-gen Mustang—potentially named “S750”—will be built on Ford’s upcoming GE2.2 platform, which it will share with the second-gen Mustang Mach-E. Does that mean the Mustang could go fully electric after 2028? Maybe Ford switches to a hybrid powertrain for the Mustang coupe? The latter might make some sense, considering its new number-one competitor is doing the same.

The Drive recently learned that Dodge is readying both an internal combustion Charger and an electric one. However, the gas-powered Charger will use Stellantis’ Hurricane inline-six-cylinder engine, rather than a V8. So it’s possible that Ford could go a similar route with the Mustang following the S650 and drop a twin-turbo V6 under its hood. However, with Ford already having two electric vehicles—the Mustang Mach-E and F-150 Lightning—with more on the way, it’s also possible that Ford could keep the V8 Mustang and still meet overall corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) regulations after 2028.

Either way, a 2028 end date is further away than the end of many V8-powered sports cars, so fans and customers should consider themselves lucky if it’s true.

By: NicoDeMattia
Source: [thedrive.com](https://www.thedrive.com)



Ford CEO: Fine With Being 'Only One on the Planet Making a V8 Affordable Sports Car'

CEO Jim Farley says Ford's perfectly happy to be the last bastion of the affordable V8 sports car.



By: Caleb Jacobs
Source: [thedrive.com](https://www.thedrive.com)

The Ford Mustang is both different and the same as it's ever been. Sure, there's a four-door electric crossover that Ford calls a Mustang these days, but there's also still a pavement-pounding brute that comes with two doors and eight cylinders. According to Ford CEO Jim Farley, the former exists so the latter can continue for many years. In other words, the automaker's foray into electrification is extending the V8's shelf life beyond all expectations.

Farley gave an inspiring quote to a group of media at the company's 2024 racing season launch party in Charlotte, North Carolina earlier this week. Motor1 cites the Blue Oval's head honcho as saying:

"Mustang is going to celebrate its 60th anniversary coming up here. A lot of our competitors have left. They've come and gone. We never did that. We've always been there with Mustang. Sixty years, and it's changed over time. We have EcoBoost, we have the Dark Horse now, and we're going to continue to invest. And if we're the only one on the planet making a V8 affordable sports car for everyone in the world, so be it."

I mean, what else would a car person rather hear? People definitely have their feelings about the Mustang Mach-E, but as Farley explains, the EV "lets us [Ford] sell ICE vehicles for a long time to come." When you put it that way, even traditionalists can maybe agree that the Mach-E is less of an abomination and more of a necessary evil.

Farley didn't stop his praise of the V8 engine there, either. He mentioned that Mustangs will race on six different continents on any given weekend throughout 2024, from IMSA and NASCAR in the United States to Australian Supercars and the World Endurance Championship. "That's because we have a V8 engine," Farley exclaimed.

There's no solid timeline saying when Ford will stop making internal combustion engines, if ever within our lifetimes. More electrification is coming, no doubt, but the automaker is apparently sticking to high-performance cars that run (at least partially) on fuel. And if what we've seen from hybrid V8s so far is any indicator, we're in for a ride if and when the Mustang finally makes that leap.



THE SCENE

CVMC Style!





Extremely Rare 825 Horsepower Mustang Shelby GT-H Is Crossing the Auction Block

This 2022 Mustang Shelby GT-H celebrates Shelby American's 60th anniversary and is one of only two featuring a Whipple supercharger.



By: Joe Kucinski
Source: themustangsource.com

A 2022 Rapid Red Metallic Mustang GT coupe is a very nice car. A Rapid Red Metallic Mustang Shelby GT-H coupe built to celebrate Shelby American's 60th anniversary is even better. Add in the fact that the car only has 750 miles on the odometer and the desirability increases even more. And on top of that, this car is one of only two such Mustang coupes in the world fitted with a Whipple supercharger kit. The result is one of the most desirable Ford Mustangs built this century. And the best part is, you can be the new owner!

The car you see here is crossing the auction block right now on the online auction site Cars & Bids. As of this writing there are five days to go on the auction and the current high bid is \$66,000. According to a comment posted on the auction by Eric the Director of Remarketing for Hertz Corporation the car will be offered with a clean title and the sale to the winning bidder will be processed through the Hertz dealer network without any additional fees.

The car stands out on the exterior thanks to the Rapid Red Metallic paint and Gold over-the-top Le Mans-style dual racing stripes and rocker stripes. The car also features a Shelby deep draw hood, upper grille, fascia winglets, taillight panel, and rear spoiler. There are also Shelby 60th anniversary emblems just in case onlookers didn't already know that. On the inside is a CSM numbered dash plaque. The black Recaro seats have Shelby GT-H embroidered in gold. This car looks fantastic, but it has a lot more than good looks going for it.

Only two 60th anniversary GT-H coupes were ever built with a Whipple supercharger kit. This brings the power output up to a stout 850 horsepower. That power is fired to the rear wheels via a 10-speed automatic transmission. The original window sticker is included with the sale and the Carfax report shows no accidents.

Aside from the Shelby GT-H specific bits this Mustang is rather nicely equipped. It includes features such as Ford Co-Pilot360, a rearview camera, and a 12-speaker Bang & Olufsen stereo system. The car is also

optioned with equipment group 401A (premier trim with color accent group, Ford Safe & Smart Package, adaptive cruise control, voice-activated touchscreen navigation system). This GT-H also has the desirable MageRide suspension system.

This Mustang is amazing and should bring big money. But no car is perfect. It has extremely low miles, but it is a rental car after all. As they say, the fastest car in the world is a rental car because people tend to beat the hell out of them. But with only 750 miles, this Mustang could not have been beaten that much. The car comes with only 1 key. And the front bumper has some paint chips. The passenger-side front wheel has some scratches on it. These minor issues aside this is one of the most desirable and rare S550 Mustangs you can buy. And with only one other like it in the world, if you want one, you better place your bid now.



50 Percent Of Ford Dealers Opt Out Of EV Sales For 2024

By: Brett Foote

Source: fordauthority.com



Since it announced the Model e Certified program last year, Ford has dealt with its fair share of backlash related to this new EV sales program, which Ford dealers were given the chance to either opt in or out of. Facing a number of legal challenges and trust issues pertaining to its implementation, the automaker has made some changes to the Model e Certified program based on dealer feedback, which satisfied some of those concerns, though others remain. Following these changes, some Ford dealers chose to opt out of the program after initially opting in. Now, the automaker has revealed that around half of all Ford dealers have chosen to forego the EV sales program altogether, at least for 2024, according to the Detroit Free Press.

According to FoMoCo, around 1,550 Ford dealers in the U.S. – around half – have chosen to opt out of the EV sales program in the coming year, compared to the 1,920 dealers that opted in roughly one year ago. Since then, a number of dealers have decided to opt out, just as The Blue Oval itself is dialing back planned EV investments and the production of select models as sales continue to grow, just not as rapidly as the automaker expected them to initially.

“EV adoption rates vary across the country and we believe our dealers know their market best,” said Ford spokesman Marty Gunsberg. “As Ford dealers have completed their own local market assessments, enrollments for 2024 are just over 50 percent of the network, placing 86 percent of the population within 20 miles of a Ford dealership that can sell and service a Ford EV.”

Dealers that have opted in to sell EVs in 2024 will soon have signs noting whether they’re a Model e Certified or Model e Certified Elite location, making it a bit easier to find a dealership that EV owners can charge up at. Meanwhile, dealers that have chosen not to participate in either of the two tiers will have another chance to do so when the next enrollment period opens up in 2027.



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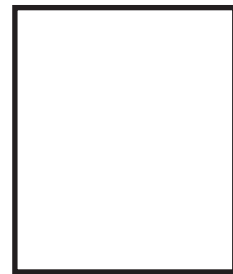
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