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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.

Who Can Join: The club is open to all Mustang enthusiasts. Any individual or family can join. Ownership of a Mustang is not essential, but enthusiasm is. CVMC embraces the practice of encouraging diversity within the membership and involvement of the entire family in its membership and at all club events.

A Family Oriented Organization: As a part of promoting family involvement in the club, children are allowed and in fact encouraged at all club functions. In deference to this family involvement and the driving of motor vehicles, consumption of alcoholic beverages is discouraged at club events except where the club is staying overnight and there is no potential for any drinking member or guest to get behind the wheel.

Dues: For the first year only, \$30 for a one year Active Membership, of which \$5 will be an initiation fee and \$25 for dues. For additional family members, Active Membership dues are \$5 per member. Renewals are due each January. Renewal notices are not sent out.



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monthly meeting

Last Thursday of Each Month

EL PUEBLITO MEXICAN RESTAURANT
1437 Tollhouse Road • Clovis, CA (N/E Sunnyside & 3rd)
Dinner: 5:30 PM • Meeting: 6:30 - 8:00 PM



from the president



from the editor

Greetings to all of you Mustangers!!

We participated in the Minarets HS graduation again this year on Thu, June 12. We had a great turn out with 12 of our convertibles attending. I am not sure who had more fun? The new graduates, our club, or the friends and family! Then we went to Big Foot Pizza in Coursegold.

Car show season has now officially slowed down with the Fresno heat as many of them will return in September.

Our breakfast: The Train Depot, 3045 E Ashlan Ave in Fresno on the first Saturday of each month (all 12 months) from 10:00 to 11:30/12:00 'ish' at / NW corner First St/Ashlan Ave coming up on July 5. Movie night at EAA takes a break in July & August then will return in September.

Monthly meetings:
El Pueblito Mexican Restaurant
1437 Tollhouse Road in Clovis.

Our dinner time is from 5:30 to 6:30 pm.
Our meeting time is from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

We have the Lil Abner at the Melodrama Sunday June 29, and a joint event with CVMC and Central Valley Corvette club to celebrate the 72nd anniversary of the Corvette on Mon June 30 at Triangle Burger McKinley/Chestnut Aves 5-7 pm. Denise has a trip to Hanford coming up on July 12 first Carnegie Museum of Kings County, Ag History 11 – 12:20 then off lunch at Zaytoona Mediterranean at 12:30 – 2:00ish , and then off to Superior Dairy for Ice Cream.

July 20 we are meeting for lunch at the Craft House 760 Pollasky Ave in Clovis, 1:30 to 3:30 pm hosted by Joe.

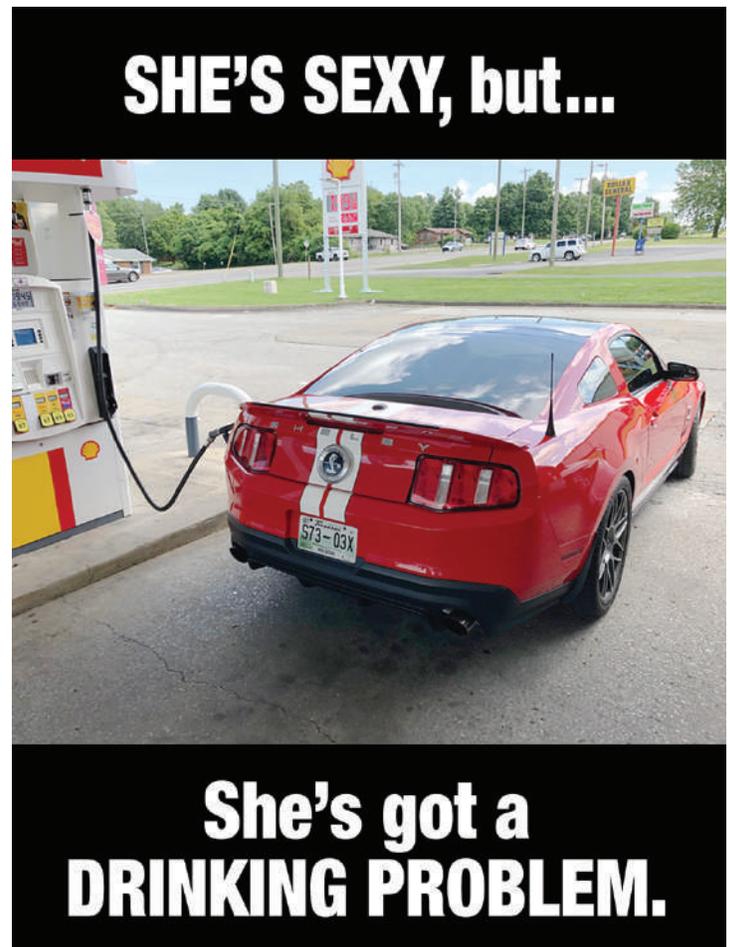
I believe that activities, including car shows, eat and drives, and others are the lifeblood of our club!

It is hard to be in a bad mood when you get to drive a Mustang! Have fun is our motto for the club!

Happy Mustanging to all of you for 2025!

Brandon
Brandon Walker
CVMC President

Stay cool this summer friends and drive!



Garo Chekerdeman
CVMC - Newsletter Editor

upcoming events

JULY 2025

Date	Time	Event Type	Description
4 Fri	5PM - 8PM		Hot Rod Gathering at Clovis Missionary Baptist Church
5 Sat	10:00AM - 12:00PM		Club Breakfast/THE TRAIN DEPOT
11 Fri	5PM - 8PM		Hot Rod Gathering at Clovis Missionary Baptist Church
12 Sat	10:30AM		HANFORD RUN
18 Fri	5PM - 8PM		Hot Rod Gathering at Clovis Missionary Baptist Church
20 Sun	1PM - 3PM		The Craft House
25 Fri	5PM - 8PM		Hot Rod Gathering at Clovis Missionary Baptist Church
28 Mon	6PM - 8:30PM		CVMC Board Meeting @ Red Lobster
31 Thu	5:30PM - 8:00PM		El Pueblito Mexican Restaurant C.V.M.C. General Membership Meeting

Check online for updates and additions

happy birthday

JUNE:

- Jun 3 Ron Coppola
- Jun 9 Sharon Walker
- Jun 12 Charlene Stebles
- Jun 17 Stephen Butterfield
- Jun 19 Mary Kokalis
- Jun 22 Peter McCann
- Jun 27 Carol Bandy



NEW MEETING PLACE / TIME!!!

next general meeting
July 31st, 2025

EL PUEBLITO MEXICAN RESTAURANT
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(N/E Sunnyside & 3rd Clovis)
Dinner - 5:30 pm / Meeting - 6:30 - 8:00 pm

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MUSTANG HISTORY:

Limited edition 2008 & 2009 V-6 Mustang with "Warriors in Pink Package"



The 2008 Warriors in Pink Package highlights include:

- Available in Black, White or Silver models, V6 Premium Package
- Coupe or convertible
- Pink rocker tape striping
- Pink stitching on black GT seats
- Pink stitching on leather-wrapped steering wheel
- Mustang pony badging over pink breast cancer awareness ribbon
- Pink Ribbon stitched into floor mats



Launched in 2006, the Ford Warriors in Pink campaign recognizes the strength and courage it takes to deal with the everyday challenges of fighting breast cancer. The Warriors in Pink collection of apparel for men and women feature important symbols signifying the message of hope, strength and unity in the commitment to the fight against breast cancer. Three new Warrior symbols debut this year, representing the Warrior spirit in each one of us, from power and courage to strength and compassion. These new symbols will be found on additional apparel items available for men, women and children. All apparel is available on Fordcares.com and 100 percent of net proceeds will be donated to Komen for the Cure.

2009 Warriors in Pink Mustang

To raise money for breast cancer education and research Ford unveiled at the New York Auto Show the Ford Warriors In Pink Mustang. For each Ford Warriors In Pink Mustang sold \$500 will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. The 2009 Ford Warriors In Pink Mustang will be limited to 1000 units and will be available in dealerships this summer.

"Thanks to the tremendous response from our dealers and customers to the 2008 'Warriors in Pink' Mustang, we knew we needed to continue offering the package, and we're happy to be able to increase our support for the Cure at the same time," said Connie Fontaine, Ford Experiential Marketing manager.

- New Hood Stripe
- New Side Stripe
- New Grille
- Glass Roof option available

Mustang team member's work takes a personal turn: Mustang Team member Jackie DiMarco, with the 2009 'Warriors In Pink' edition Mustang. In early 2007, DiMarco, 34, was working on the special-edition Mustang that raises money for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure when she discovered a lump in her breast that turned out to be malignant. Now, she is leading the charge as Ford redoubles its commitment to breast cancer awareness and support through the Mustang 'Warriors in Pink' program.



2026 Ford Mustang's New FX Package Recalls the Rad Fox Bodies



By: Eric Stafford
Source: caranddriver.com

It's only available with the 5.0-liter V-8 and includes signature white wheels and can be had in a new teal-like paint color.

- ***The 2026 Ford Mustang adds a new FX package that's inspired by the pony car's third generation (a.k.a. the Fox body).***
- ***The FX package includes white wheels, retro font like the '80s and '90s cars, and plaid seat inserts—also like the Fox bodies of yore.***
- ***Ford hasn't released pricing for the FX package or the 2026 Mustang models, which will be available to order later this month.***

When something has been a fixture of car culture for over six decades like the Ford Mustang, it has a lot of history. And since nostalgia sells, Ford is giving its famous pony car a new appearance package that recalls its third generation, which enthusiasts know as the Fox body.

For 2026, the Mustang will be available with a new FX package that's inspired by the Fox bodies of the 1980s and '90s. Those cars could be ordered from the factory with bright white wheels, and now Ford lets customers fit their new Mustangs with the same signature look, though the standard 19-inch wheels are a lot bigger than those worn by the Foxes.

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Of course, there's more to the Mustang's new FX package than a set of Oxford White wheels; a five-spoke design is standard, while cars outfitted with the Performance package get the more intricate-looking rollers pictured in these photos. With the FX kit, the Mustang's nostril-like grille elements are also painted white when paired with the Performance package (they're gray on the regular model). Among the different paint options is what's called Adriatic Blue Metallic, and the new hue looks a lot like the Fox body's rad teal color.

Keeping with the throwback theme, Ford gives FX Mustangs font that's just like what you'd see on the '80s and '90s models. It appears on the wheel center caps as well as on top of the rear window. The rear taillights get white accents too, and they'll be available to order through the Ford Performance parts catalog. The "5.0" badge on the front fenders is also outlined in white, as are other exterior emblems.

Inside, the FX package keeps the nostalgia alive with plaid seat inserts just like classic Foxes. The seats themselves are wrapped in perforated leather, and the plaid motif comes with both the regular seats and the Recaro buckets that are only optional on coupes. The interior of FX cars is detailed with City Silver and Adriatic Blue contrast stitching. The right side of the instrument panel also features a "Mustang GT" badge that mimics the Fox-body style, and it's backed by the same trim you'll find on the 500-hp Mustang Dark Horse.



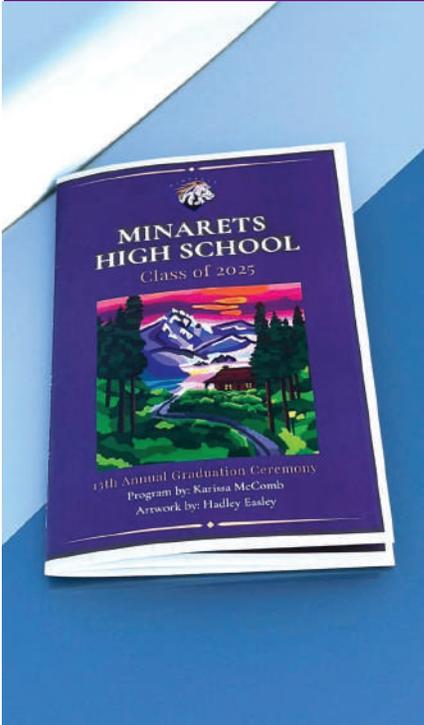
Ford hasn't released pricing for the FX package, but it says the appearance option will be compatible with the coupe or convertible's GT Premium trim. That means the 480-plus-hp 5.0-liter V-8 is mandatory, and customers get the choice of the standard six-speed manual or the available 10-speed automatic. For 2025, the hardtop GT Premium with the stick shift starts at \$53,075, while the droptop starts at \$58,575 (the GT Performance pack adds \$5660). We should learn how much the 2026 Mustang lineup will cost in the coming weeks, as order books will open sometime later this month.





THE SCENE

Minarets Graduation





*Congrats
Class of
2025*



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This Fox Body Mustang Just Sold For Supercar Money

You could have this delivery mileage 1993 Mustang SVT Cobra
or a brand-new Aston Martin Vantage



Somebody just paid \$204,000 for a 32-year-old Mustang in near-new condition.

It also happens to be a rare SVT Cobra model with just 12 miles on the odometer.

Final price more than doubled during the last 30 minutes of fierce bidding on BaT.

It's not every day a decades-old Mustang sells for more than a brand-new Porsche 911 Turbo. But in the strange, sometimes hilarious world of collectible cars, anything is possible, including someone dropping crazy money on a Fox body. And if Ford's new 2026 Mustang FX package is anything to go by, the obsession with retro pony cars isn't slowing down anytime soon.

Now, Ford's Fox body Mustang isn't always lauded as the greatest of the bunch. Despite that, it was the basis for several very important versions of the pony car. One of those, now arguably more special than nearly any that came after, is the SVT Cobra. Why the sudden surge in status? Someone just paid supercar money for one. Turns out, the Fox body glow-up is happening on multiple fronts.

This is a 1993 Ford Mustang SVT Cobra with just 12 miles on the odometer. On average, that's about a third of a mile per year since it left the factory, though technically, it's all delivery mileage, so the car was never actually driven outside of Ford's own handling.

Yet according to the auction house, the car had already passed through two previous owners, with the most recent acquiring it earlier this year. Now the only question is whether the new owner will finally add to the odometer or just keep preserving it in mint-condition limbo.

Trading hands for a whopping \$204,000, this Mustang SVT Cobra is about as good or new as it gets when it comes to Fox body Mustangs. A Cobra R (107 units), even rarer than the SVT (4,993 units), sold for \$211,000 in January of last year. That car had 66 miles on it.

This one features Teal metallic paint, Opal grey leather upholstery, and spotless 17-inch alloy wheels. Under the hood is a 4.94-liter V8 that was originally rated to make 235 horsepower (175 kW) and 280 lb-ft (379 Nm) of torque. It sends that power to the rear wheels via a limited-slip differential and a five-speed manual transmission.

When new, this car had an MSRP of \$21,578. Adjusted for inflation, that would be like \$48,138.46 in today's money. Kinda wild how expensive cars are today, isn't it? That barely meets the average transaction price for a new car today.

Here's maybe the wildest part of this whole situation. 30 minutes before the final hammer would fall, the bidding was only up to \$97,000. In that time, a few different parties put in bids, but from the moment the car went above \$125,000, it was down to just two bidders that took it all the way to \$204,000.

Clearly, they both wanted it a lot, but one wanted it just a bit more. In the end, someone decided this was the one, and \$204,000 later, it's theirs. Hopefully, the new owner does more than just polish it and take photos. Even a Fox body this clean deserves to feel the road again – at least for mile thirteen.



Court rules the Eleanor from Gone in 60 Seconds is a prop, thanks to Batman



Source: [hagerty.com](https://www.hagerty.com)

The aftermarket just scored a major legal victory. After a long court battle, three judges ruled that Eleanor, the Ford Mustang that starred in the *Gone in 60 Seconds* movie franchise, is a prop rather than a character and can't be protected by copyright law. The ruling opens the door to replicas, but it could be challenged.

In a 21-page ruling, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit settled a dispute between Carroll Shelby Licensing, Inc. and Denise Halicki. She's the widow of H.B. Halicki, who wrote, directed, and starred in the original *Gone in 60 Seconds* movie released in 1974.

Eleanor has evolved during its career. Early on, it was a yellow 1971 Mustang. Fans of the '74 film know this version, but if you say Eleanor to car enthusiasts, the car from the widely known Nick Cage reboot is what they will think of. And that's the car at the center of the controversy. Modified by Chip Foose, it's a silver 1967 Fastback.

We've seen countless Eleanor replicas emerge out of the aftermarket over the past 25 years; it's one of the most famous movie cars in recent memory. Some are officially licensed and look like the real thing, down to the red "go, baby, go" button on the shift knob. Others are Eleanor-inspired at best. Halicki's lawyers argued she owns the rights to Eleanor's design, which would make the unofficial replicas illegal.

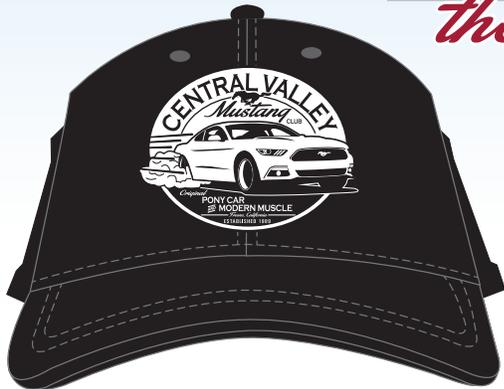
This isn't the first time a movie car has found itself in the middle of a legal battle. In September 2015, an appeals court decided that DC Comics "owned a copyright interest" in the Batmobile and ordered Mark Towle, the owner of California-based shop Gotham Garage, to stop building and selling replicas of it. This landmark case was cited as an important reference point in the lawsuit opposing Shelby and Halicki.

What makes the Batmobile a character and Eleanor a prop? Good question. According to the ruling, the Mustang failed what's now known as the Towle Test. It doesn't have conceptual qualities, it doesn't have consistent traits, and it's not especially distinctive. In 2020, Mecum Auctions sold one of the 11 cars used in *Gone in 60 Seconds* for \$852,500.

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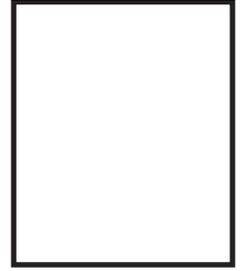
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