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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

Greetings to all of you Mustangers!!

It is hard to believe but 2025 is almost over! This year has been a busy year with lots of challenges for many. I don't know how it was for you. Voting for our 2026 board is on Nov 20 meeting all positions President, VP, Secretary, Treasurer, four seats for Member-at-large, Activities, Membership.

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. Next one is Dec 6.

Our last meeting of 2025! We don't have a meeting in December! We will resume monthly meetings in Jan 2026.

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.

Our first annual CVMC club calendar for 2026 will be available at the Christmas Party for \$20. Let us give Mike Boone a big hand for this. He came to the board in September with an idea AND he volunteered to run our calendar project as the manager!! Thank you Mike!!

Our new 2026 board members will be installed at our Christmas Party at Old Spaghetti Factory Sat Dec 6 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. If you want to, you may bring a gift valued between \$20 to \$25. You will get a ticket per gift. Robin will draw the tickets one by one. You can get a new mystery gift or steal a gift from somebody ahead of you. We have a limit of 3 times to steal a gift.

Our upcoming events: Club breakfast is Dec 6, Christmas Party on Dec 6 from 7 to 9 pm, New Years Eve Dec 31. Denise had an Activities Planning meeting on Thu Nov 13 with 13 members contributing new activity ideas for 2026. We had a great turn out with lots of our new members. Denise will have the announcements. We want to serve you our club members with activities that you want to attend.

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! Have fun is our motto for the club!

Happy Mustanging to all of you for late fall 2025!

Brandon Walker
CVMC President



from the editor

Well, it looks like it's a wrap for 2025 and this years flew by FAST. Not sure about anybody else, but I had a lot of projects planned for this year and did not even come close to getting them done. I always joke that there's an evil force out there toying with me.

So, I'll say it again, Next year will be different and goals will be met. My and my sons priority remains getting the Mach road worthy. Very close but still several little things left.

Just a heads up, but the November issue of the newsletter is the last one for the year and the next issue will come out at the end of January.

I wish everyone Happy Holidays, good health and happiness.

See you next year!

Garo Chekerdeman
CVMC - Newsletter Editor



upcoming events

DECEMBER 2025

Date	Time	Event Type	Description
6 Sat	10:00AM - 12:00PM		Club Breakfast/THE TRAIN DEPOT
	7PM - 9PM		CVMC Christmas Party
8 Mon	7PM - 8:30PM		Dinner at Me N Ed's Pizza
	8:45PM - 10PM		Christmas Tree Lane Sleigh Ride
14 Sun	11AM - 4PM		Golden Chain Theater, Little Town Of Christmas.
25 Thu	12:05AM		Merry Christmas CVMC

DECEMBER 2025

Date	Time	Event Type	Description
3 Sat	10:00AM - 12:00PM		Club Breakfast/THE TRAIN DEPOT
8 Thu	5PM		Illuminature at the Fresno Chaffee Zoo
11 Sun	1PM - 3:30PM		Carroll Shelby Birthday!
17 Sat			Mendenhall Museum

Check online for updates and additions

happy birthday

NOVEMBER:

- Nov 7 Michael Ruby
- Nov 17 Tony Kokalis
- Nov 18 Les Wahl
- Nov 19 Bill Summers
- Nov 21 Flow Smith
- Nov 25 Sean Shanen
- Nov 28 Valerie Ramsey

DECEMBER:

- Dec 6 Andrea Briar
- Dec 6 Diane Tjerrild
- Dec 14 Patty Dailey
- Dec 15 Lynnelle Beckley
- Dec 15 Susan Conner



NEW MEETING PLACE / TIME!!!

next general meeting
January 29th, 2026

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

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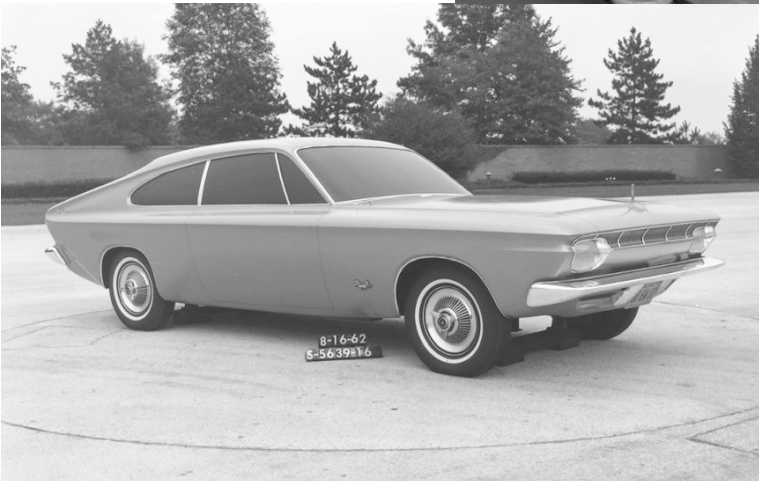


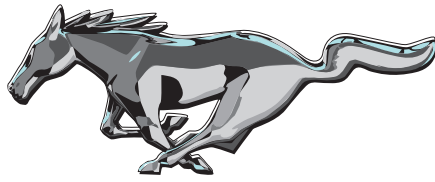
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1962: Designing An Icon

Did you know, back in the Mustang's design planning days, there was a friendly competition in the Blue Oval's corporate ranks to determine the look of the soon-to-be-ubiquitous pony car. While the design from the Ford home office ultimately won out, these pics from the Lincoln Mercury division are pretty incredible - and we can see hints of the future Mustang and Mercury Cougar styling cues too.





THE SCENE

2025 Veteran's Day Parade

This year our CVMC club was split into two parts: The convertibles were in one division of the parade carrying politicians in the front. We had nine members that drove in that portion. The coupes, except for Paul and Dennis, were together with eight total. Paul had a convertible and carried a candidate for US Congress. Dennis got to carry a Veteran. We all had a good time.



Our Vets from left to right: Robert Whitley, Ron Coppola, Jan Coppola, Paul Beckley, Mike Boone, Dennis Conner, John Ramsey.

After the parade, some of us went to Applebee's at Friant Road/Fresno St for lunch. They gave Veterans a free lunch and soft drink. Since we were split up in the parade, we took a picture of our Veterans at the Applebee's patio. The flag that they were holding has a story with it. This flag flew over Camp Blackhorse in Afghanistan on November 11, 2007 given to Mary Whitley by Robin Whitley, a chief master in the United States Navy.

We all had a good time at the 2025 Veteran's Day parade!

We had about 30 people at the lunch this year!



more parade pics



THE SCENE

2025 Veteran's Day Parade





SEMA 2025: Trick Rides Debuts All-Carbon “Scorched” 1969 Mustang



By: Steve Turner
Source: fordmuscle.com

Trick Rides turned heads with the debut of its all-carbon widebody 1969 Mustang, known as Scorched. Revealed at the SEMA Show in the TMI Products booth, this build showcases a fusion of modern composites, classic design, and meticulous craftsmanship that reflects more than 8,000 hours of work. The company will sell a limited number of Scorched models to those seeking a high-end, turn-key restomod.

The Yukon, Oklahoma-based shop built the car entirely in its 31,000-square-foot facility, developing every panel from aerospace-grade, pre-preg carbon fiber engineered by Brothers Carbon. Designed from the ground up using advanced CAD modeling, Scorched sets itself apart as the first restomod Mustang constructed entirely from the lightweight, high-strength material.

“Scorched represents years of innovation and dedication to blend modern performance with classic Mustang heritage,” Trick Rides founder Jason Engel said. “We’ve pushed the boundaries in every aspect of this build, from the all-carbon body to a handcrafted interior by TMI Products, and we’re excited to show the world what Trick Rides is capable of.”

Under the custom carbon hood is a 429-cubic-inch Kaase Boss Nine V8 paired with a TREMEC six-speed manual transmission. Stainless Works headers and MagnaFlow mufflers handle exhaust duties, delivering a powerful but refined tone. Finished in Sinister Black, the car’s clean look is enhanced by flush-mounted glass and Ringbrothers billet components, including door handles, hinges, mirrors, and LED taillights.

Limited Production

A Roadster Shop chassis supports independent front suspension with Fox coilovers, while a parallel four-link rear setup and oversized sway bars ensure precise handling. Braking comes from Baer six-piston front and four-piston rear calipers, with three-piece Forgeline wheels wrapped in Continental ExtremeContact Force tires providing traction.

Inside, Trick Rides collaborated with TMI Products to create a cabin that combines modern comfort with vintage character. TMI’s new high-back seating design anchors the interior, which also features Auto Meter gauges, handcrafted door panels, German square-weave carpeting, and a bespoke center console.

“From the incredible partners we’ve chosen to work with to the aerodynamics of the carbon fiber, Scorched is the result of adding modern engineering to a timeless platform,” Trick Rides co-owner Jarred Morris added.

Only 20 examples of Scorched will be produced, and each buyer can customize the engine and finish to match their preferences. The result is a limited-production restomod that features cutting-edge engineering in one of the most iconic muscle car designs ever made.





S550 Mustang V6 Models Are Getting Crazy Cheap, Is It Time to Buy?

Six-cylinder models are often the butt of the joke, but S550 Mustang V6 models are now getting so cheap that they're starting to look tempting.

Ford dropped the V6 offering from the iconic sixth-generation Mustang lineup after the 2017 model year. The Ecoboost four-cylinder variant was taking center stage as the fan-favorite of the entry-level powerplants over the S550 Mustang V6, and frankly, it was rightfully so. It had more power, better fuel economy, and was far more tunable. It wasn't long after the release that folks were pushing Ecoboost models to similar power levels as V8 GT models. Ultimately, the Ecoboost proved that there is indeed a replacement for displacement: a turbocharger.

Now, though, something strange is happening. We're looking back on that final two years of the V6 powerplant in the S550 and, unbelievably, we're looking back on it fondly. The S550 Mustang V6 was never appealing throughout its limited production and didn't sell well. A quick AutoTempest search has us really thinking about it, though. There is a relatively plentiful selection of manual V6 models for around or under \$12,000, and, at that price, it almost makes sense.

Track Day Toy or Weekend Cruiser?

Look, we get it. We love the roar of a V8 and agree that it's genuinely the proper powerplant for a Mustang. However, we have to pour a bit of respect on the six-cylinder powerplant as a whole. After all, it was offered from the very beginning of the Mustang all the way back in 1964. By the final year of the V6 Mustang in 2017, they came with a respectable power output of 300 horsepower, and, of course, the S550 brought independent rear suspension to the entire lineup. So, for around \$12,000, you can land yourself in an IRS rear-wheel-drive sports car with a manual transmission and 300 horsepower.

By comparison, bumping up to a S550 Mustang GT in similar condition costs around \$5,000 to \$7,000 more than a V6 model. That's a lot of tanks of gas for weekend cruising in the V6 model! Let's be honest, here. A healthy portion of folks who buy a GT don't often use all the power it comes with. So, if you can get the stigma of V6 ownership out of your head, the savings are pretty attractive. In a similar vein, the saved money could be dumped into a lot of high-performance modifications if you're looking for a good time on track. \$5,000 could easily get you a nice set of coilovers, lightweight wheels, grippy tires, and maybe even a limited-slip differential for ripping it up in turns.

If that doesn't do it for you, how about a little perspective? People love the new-edge Mustang GT and have a lot of fun with it without-of-the-box power to this day. An S550 Mustang V6 has 40 more horsepower, only weighs about 200 pounds more, and has far better suspension geometry. They're fun cars, and it's time for us all to come to terms with that.

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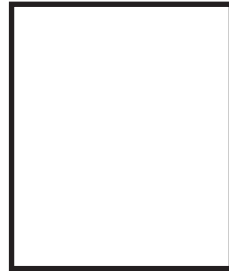
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