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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
BLACK BEAR DINER

3602 W Shaw Ave • Fresno, CA
Dinner: 6 PM • Meeting: 7 PM

PAST PRESIDENTS

Joseph Colvin	2020
Ron Dupras	2017-2019
Mark Gardner	2016
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Allen Rasmussen	2011
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Jim Sanborn	2009
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Jim Sanborn	2005
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from the president



from the editor

Spring is passing quickly and before you know it we will have triple digit heat so enjoy the nice weather while it lasts. With the pretty weather we have had some nice eat and drive events recently and attendance has been good. We've even started to see some of our family that we've missed this last year come out of hiding.

Monthly club breakfasts at the Blossom Trail Café continue to draw a crowd of smiling faces. This club loves a good meal. As things open up again I hope to see even more of our missing family return to us.

For those of you that haven't been to an event lately you might notice some new faces as we've added some members during the lock down. Be sure to introduce yourself and make them feel athome.

Event planning continues so check your Huntcal and emails for upcoming events or the facebook page events tab. If you have ideas for events you'd like to see us do please let me know or you can speak to your activities committee or any board member. We are always looking for fun things to do. Thank you to all the members that make our events possible.

I look forward to seeing you all soon and sharing a laugh and a meal. Meanwhile, take care of yourselves and be thankful for all that we have. If nothing else maybe covid has given us a little different perspective

Joe Colvin
CVMC Grand Poohbah
joe@cvmustang.org

It actually looks like we're starting, and I mean BARELY starting to get back to normal. I actually got out and attended the Mustang's Birthday gathering at Chubby's and it was great to see all the old face and meet new members.

The weekend before Brandon and Paul came over to my house with Brandon's Shelby GT 500 and we let the neighbors know what was under the hood.

Let's hope that we can keep moving forward and let's all be safe out there (not just a mask).

I'm looking forward to taking the Mach out to some gatherings and shows and hopefully, hopefully get some work done on it. That's not going to happen till I finish the landscaping in the backyard and grow some money on that tree waaaaaaay over there in the corner.

See ya soon!

Garo Chekerdeman
CVMC - Newsletter Editor



upcoming events

May 2021

Date	Time	Description
1 Sat	9 AM - 3 PM	Central Valley classic car show
	9 AM - 2 PM	Center Stage Classic Car Show in Oakhurst
	10:00 AM	Monthly club breakfast Club Breakfast/Blossom Trail Cafe
7 Fri	5 PM	Ballis Glass Artisan Market
8 Sat	7:15 AM - 2:30 PM	NEW LOCATION!! Jefferson car Show
	3 PM - 8 PM	Sonic & Cruize Old Town Clovis
9 Sun		Mothers Day
15 Sat	8 AM	Classic Cars, Coffee and Hearts
22 Sat	1 AM	Superior Dairy
24 Mon	6 PM - 8 PM	Board meeting
27 Thu	6 PM - 8 PM	We're back at Black bear diner CVMC general meeting
31 Mon		Memorial Day

happy birthday

APRIL:

Apr 3 Steffon Hicklin

Apr 8 Etta Hobbs

Apr 21 Patricia McKinney

Apr 30 Lanny Vaught

Apr 30 Ryan Medlock



next general meeting
May 27th, 2021
BLACK BEAR DINER
 3602 W. Shaw Ave • Fresno, CA
 (Northwest Corner of Shaw / Marty)



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cvmustang.org

Events Calendar
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Central Valley Fallen Heroes, Inc.

"Forever in our hearts, your sacrifice will never be forgotten"



Hello everyone...

I know things have been quiet on our Facebook page, but we have been working behind the scenes, making calls and speaking with people about a 2021 Fallen Heroes Car Show.

Putting on a quality event takes a ton of prep work, communication and lots of volunteers. We can't do it without the support of our sponsors who donate time, money and supplies. To everyone who helps put this together we are always thankful for everything they do.

The sponsors, like us individually have had many challenges over the last year. Pressure from government entities also make it hard to move forward as the rules have changed. We are not defeated but we are cautiously moving to provide everyone with a show that honors the fallen and is enjoyable by all.

That being said, we will be passing on our event for 2021 but will be meeting soon to discuss plans for a 2022 Fallen Heroes Car Show.

Thank you for your continued interest and support. Without your support this event cannot continue to be successful in supporting our fallen and their families.

Respectfully,

Ron Dupras - CEO
Central Valley Fallen Heroes, Inc.

CVMC SPECIAL NOTICE!

Dear CVMC

As a result of the canceling of most of our club events and activities this year the board has voted to extend all currently paid memberships through the end of 2021. This will be done automatically for all currently paid memberships.

Look for upcoming events and activities on Our Huntcal or Facebook page and come out as you can. Paid members should also be getting email updates on events and activities. If you are not please let me know.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Joe Colvin



*Congratulations
John & Andrea
All our prayers for a lifetime
of love and happiness.
April 3, 2021*





NATIONAL MUSTANG DAY

April 17, 2021

THE SCENE

Ford Mustangs
57th Birthday



What is the Mustang Sidewinder Special?

By: Nick Dellis

Source: mustangspecs.com



The 1970 Mustang Sidewinder Special was one of many territory specials created during the first generation of Mustang. While most of the territory specials debuted in the late '60s and were aesthetic packages, the 1970 Sidewinder has the shape of a Boss Mustang, and from a distance might be mistaken for one.

Though you may have expected the Sidewinder Special to be an Arizona or Nevada special, those being the states where you can find a sidewinder rattlesnake, it was actually a Nebraska/Iowa special.

Ford offers very little in the way of information regarding the brief and relatively undistinguished history of the Sidewinder Special. According to AmCarGuide.com, Ford produced only 40 of these vehicles, and only seven remain in existence today. The vehicle was noted for its distinctive

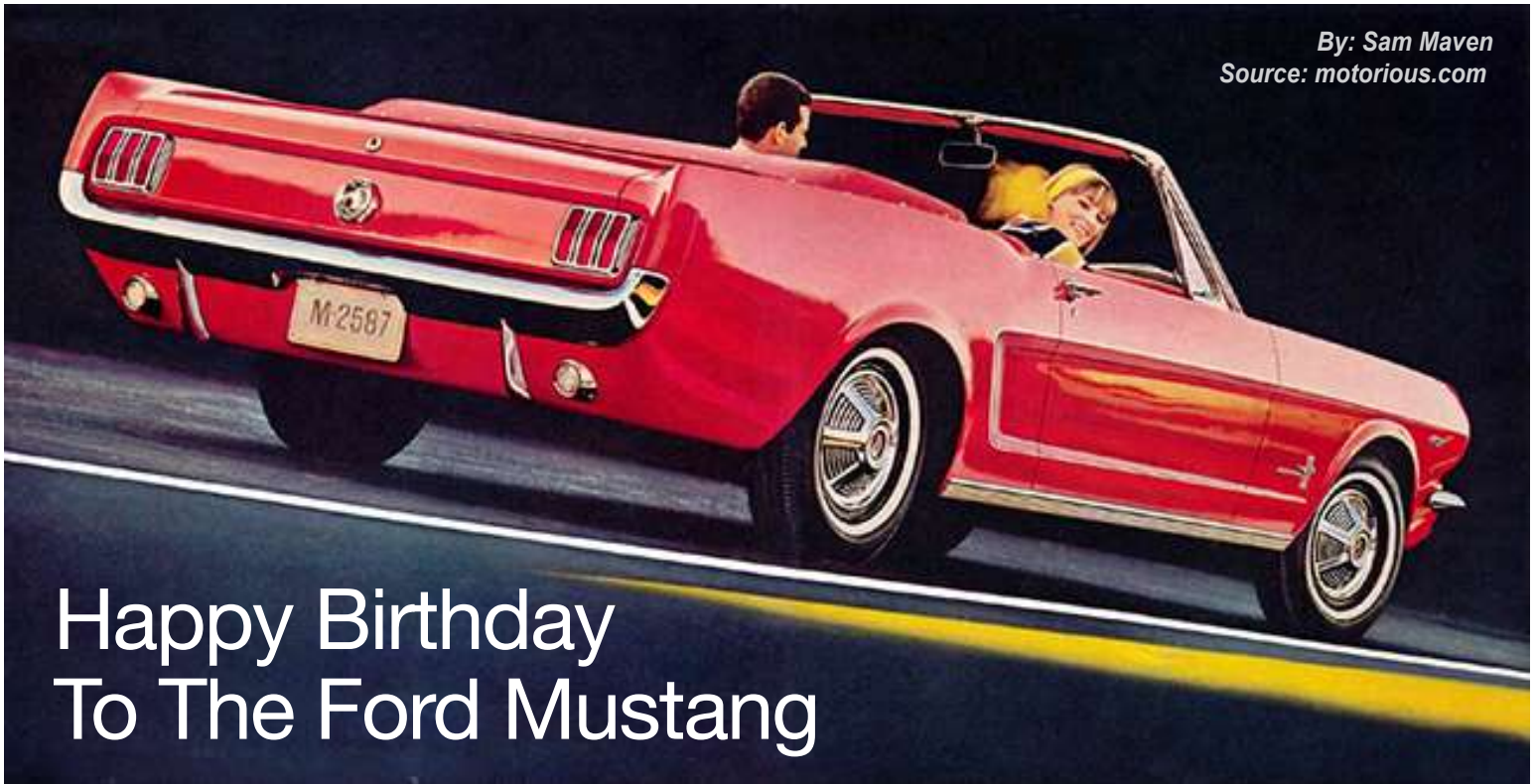
stripe kit that included a snake-on-wheels decal on the rear panel.

The Result Of A Special Ford Promotion

The available information indicates the Mustang Sidewinder Special was actually intended to be a promotional vehicle. According to Ponymite.de, dealers could order the Sidewinder using a special manufacturer's code. Standard Sidewinder features included a 351 4V engine, sportsroof, comp suspension and the Ford automatic transmission known as Cruise-o-Matic. Ford built the vehicles in Dearborn and shipped them to the dealers with the stripe kit packed in the trunk, to be mounted by the dealer's body men.

With only seven remaining, the Sidewinder Special is without a doubt one of the rarest Mustangs.





Happy Birthday To The Ford Mustang

The 1960s were a time that would provide some of America's most iconic muscle cars, this helped to spark a cultural revolution in the car community among younger car enthusiasts. The Mustang could be regarded as the world's first pony car and some even credit it for starting this muscle car mania. Within the first year, the Mustang managed to crank out over 500,000 sales and it has continued the trend of outselling the competition ever since. This constant over-achievement has led to a cult following of the classic pony car from the beginning and today we mark the 57th birthday of our beloved American legend.

Our story begins in the year 1964 when Henry Ford II unveiled the first generation Mustang at the World's Fair in New York. Like many of our favorite muscle cars, this instant classic was named after a fighter jet. The jet in question is the P-51 Mustang Fighter used in WWII, this seemed like a perfect fit as it was an integral part of the American fighting spirit.

Surprisingly, the original design was meant to depict a two-seater mid-engine roaster similar to the Corvette. However, thankfully, this design was scrapped and the four-seater front-engine V8 was allowed to begin stealing the hearts of car lovers everywhere.

Now, after over 50 years and 6 generations, the Mustang is as athletic as ever utilizing its 5.0-liter V8 Coyote engine to become one of America's most powerful muscle cars. The Mustang line is also entering the EV market this year with the Mach-E — a car pulling the Tesla fans to the pony emblem.

While others, such as the Camaro, try and fail to keep the Mustang stays true to what it has always been. The Mustang was first thought of as a lightweight version of a muscle car with better handling while still retaining the incredible engineering prowess that made American cars so great in the first place. Even today there is a massive following behind the Ford Mustang and it only seems to be growing by the minute.



What is the Mustang Ghia Edition?



Source: cjponyparts.com

The 1974 Ford Mustang Ghia was one of the first of what would be many collaborations between Ford and the legendary Italian design house Carrozzeria Ghia. The Mustang Ghia was a noble attempt to put a luxurious spin on the otherwise austere Mustang II. While not a performance powerhouse like the pony cars of the '60s, the Mustang Ghia was an interesting attempt to redefine what the Mustang was in the wake of the gas crisis of the early '70s.

HISTORY

To understand the Mustang Ghia, it is necessary to understand the Mustang II. With sales of the first generation Mustang steadily declining from 1966 onwards, Ford began to sense that a change was necessary. The 1973 gas crisis had consumers opting for smaller cars — especially Asian and European imports — and Ford responded by offering up a smaller, more fuel-efficient Mustang based on the Pinto platform. Though the Mustang II is frequently put down now, at the time it was both a critical and commercial success, winning the coveted Motor Trend Car of the Year award.

THE MUSTANG GHIA

Ford had already tried a luxury model in the first generation,

a trim called the Mustang Grande. With its success and the strong sales of the Mustang II, the idea of another luxury Mustang made financial sense. Ford had recently bought a majority share in Ghia and drew upon that company's expertise to create a luxury option for its new pony car.

The original 1974 Mustang Ghia was available as a two-door coupe and featured a vinyl roof, spoke-style wheel covers, upgraded sound, shag(!) carpeting, wood-colored accents, and a host of other upgrades. The Ghia model was available as a luxury package throughout the production run of the Mustang II. Even after Ford moved to the Fox body platform, the Ghia name stuck around and continued to be offered in 1979, 1980 and 1981.

GHIA IN EUROPE

While today the Mustang Ghia may seem like a quaint piece of Ford history, the two companies had a much longer association in Europe. Until 2010 Ford offered many of its most popular models in Ghia trim. To this day, the company continues to contribute its design expertise to some of Ford's most exciting concept cars.



I Finally Drove This 1966 Ford Mustang After Storing It For 9 Years. Now My Other Cars Seem Dull



By: David Tracy
Source: jalopnik.com
Pics: David Tracy

I'm feeling a bit weird right now. Yesterday I finally drove a 1966 Ford Mustang that I'd bought as a gift for my brother back in 2012, and have been storing ever since. The experience was so invigorating that I don't know if I can ever look at my Jeep collection the same way.

Maybe this is just the newness of a fresh relationship tugging at my emotions, but my god, I can still feel my heart beat a few rpm higher than usual. After bleeding and adjusting the drum brakes all morning (and tracking down dastardly leaks), I spent the afternoon yesterday for the first time a 1966 Ford Mustang that I've technically owned since 2012. The experience was incredible. (Okay, to be fair, I did limp the Mustang a few miles to a car show back in 2012, and I tried driving it down the block in 2014. Both times, the machine died).

The sound of those 289 cubic-inches squeezing burned combustion gasses through a big hole in the car's exhaust pipe; the sight of that beautiful, long, bright red hood and awesome vintage gauges; the acceleration. Yes, I said it, this thing feels quick!

The problem is that none of my other cars — not the 360 V8-powered 1979 Jeep Cherokee Golden Eagle, not the 1991 Jeep Cherokee 4.0 five-speed, not the "Holy Grail" 1994 Jeep Grand Cherokee 4.0 five-speed, not the 1992 Jeep Cherokee 4.0 automatic, not the 2000 Jeep Cherokee 4.0 automatic, and definitely not the 258 inline-six powered 1985 Jeep J10 — feel quick at all. Relative to the Mustang, they feel downright lethargic!

And it's not even because they are actually any slower. I bet that five-speed Jeep Cherokee XJ can accelerate as quickly as the Mustang to 60 mph. But the Jeep sure as hell doesn't feel like as eager, and that's because the Cherokee — like every other car I own except maybe that diesel manual Chrysler minivan that my parents are storing at their house in Germany — sound downright boring!

None of the AMC inline-sixes or even that 360 V8 have even remotely interesting aural outputs. When I step out of that Mustang and jump into any of my other vehicles, it immediately hits me that something

really important to the automotive experience is missing. It's that sweet, sweet V8 bark.

I feel like I just entered a hot, steamy new relationship, and now I'm talking about neglecting all of my friends to hang out with the exciting, attractive new thing in my life. But have no fear: This will not happen. The Mustang can try to lure me in with its Candy Apple Red paint and that great sounding motor, but my other vehicles have a simpler charm that I can still appreciate.

My J10, for example, has a bench seat. How awesome is that? Also, it's a manual, which is great. And heck, it's four-wheel drive with manual locking hubs. Plus it has a giant bed, which I can use for practical things like hauling Changlis from shipping ports to homes of prolific automotive bloggers.

My Cherokee XJs are handsome in their own right, and incredibly capable off-road. My manual Grand Cherokee feels downright refined, and my Golden Eagle? I think, with a bit of buffing, I can make it look just as pretty as that Mustang.

That's right, Ford Mustang. You will not be a siren, leading me to ditch my long-time automotive friends. They've been good to me, mostly.



2021 Ford Mustang Mach 1 VIN 001 Sells For \$500K At Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale



By: Brett Foote
Source: fordauthority.com

As we reported back in February, the very first production 2021 Ford Bronco and 2021 Ford Mustang Mach 1 VIN 001 were all set to cross the block at Barrett-Jackson's flagship Scottsdale auction, with all of the proceeds from the sale of those vehicles going to charity. The first 2021 Ford Bronco subsequently sold for a whopping \$1.075 million, as we reported yesterday, but 2021 Ford Mustang Mach 1 VIN 001 hammered for an also-impressive \$500,000.

All of the proceeds from the sale of the first 2021 Ford Mustang Mach 1 will benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation to research cures for kids with diabetes, adding to the \$70 million Ford has raised during its 35-year partnership with the charitable organization. Meanwhile, proceeds from the sale of the first 2021 Bronco will benefit the National Forest Foundation and Outward Bound, which are part of Ford's Bronco Wild Fund.

"Two of Ford's most iconic vehicles, the Ford Bronco and the

Mustang Mach 1, were reborn for 2021 in response to great public demand," said Dave Pericak, Director Enterprise Product Line Management – Ford Icons. "To celebrate their return, we donated the coveted VIN 001 of each to raise money for key non-profit organizations. Bidding was fierce for these vehicles because it was a rare opportunity for the public to own a very special Ford and help charities that have a lasting impact on society. We are very pleased that Ford Motor Company helped raise \$1,575,000 for these worthy causes."

The 2021 Mach 1 marks the return of the legendary Mustang model following a 17-year hiatus. 2021 Mach 1 VIN 001 is equipped with the optional Handling Package and Tremec six-speed manual transmission and is finished in Fighter Jet Gray, a color exclusive to the new Mach 1. Meanwhile, as we reported last month, Mach 1 deliveries are underway as examples are rolling off the assembly line at the Ford Flat Rock Assembly Plant.



Ford Performance Teases All-New NASCAR Next Gen Mustang For Global Mustang Week; Race Car Debuts May 5th

Ford and NASCAR look to the future next season, welcoming the Next Gen era with an all-new Mustang race car from Ford Performance that will compete in the NASCAR Cup Series starting in February 2022.

Race fans and Mustang enthusiasts will get their first chance to see the NASCAR Next Gen Mustang on May 5 at its public unveiling. Until then, Ford Performance shares this taste of the car's first laps around historic Martinsville Speedway, accompanied by the thunderous soundtrack of a powerful Roush Yates Ford V8 racing engine.

"We couldn't be more excited to show off the NASCAR Next Gen Mustang to Mustang enthusiasts and Ford race fans around the world," said Mark Rushbrook, global director, Ford Performance Motorsports. "This is truly a game-changing redesign for the sport of NASCAR, and we expect everyone is going to love the result of the countless hours of work by those of us at Ford Performance and our partners in NASCAR. Mustang Week is the perfect opportunity to showcase a quick tease of this exciting new race car."

Ford and NASCAR have spent thousands of hours designing the new body. Development continues at Ford's racing center in Charlotte, North Carolina, using the same simulation and design equipment that's used to design all-new vehicles, like Mustang Mach-E.

To date, Mustang has 31 wins in the NASCAR Cup Series since becoming Ford's flagship model for the series in 2019, and is coming off a 2020 campaign that saw it win a season-high 18 races and capture the manufacturers' championship for Ford.

2021 marks the sixth straight year of Mustang's reign as the world's best-selling sports coupe.



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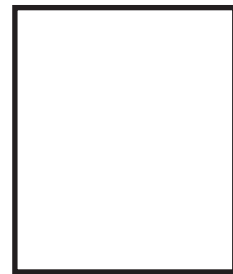
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