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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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## from the president



# from the editor

"It's hot. Damn hot! Real hot! Hottest things is my shorts. I could cook things in it. A little crotch pot cooking."

- Robin Williams in Good Morning Vietnam

Sounds like summertime in the Central Valley. And yet we still venture out to enjoy our Mustangs. We just had a run up to Mariposa for burgers and shakes at Happy Burger Diner. It was a nice drive with a half dozen cars strolling through the hills. (Until we picked up the Sheriffs vehicle that shadowed us home). Lol

But a good time was had by all and law enforcement was not involved...unless you include Paul Beckley. Lol

Seriously though, we are continuing to have a good time with our fellow members and our cars and that's what this thing we call CVMC is all about. I tell everyone that we are a family club. That means two things. For one, we welcome family members at our events and two, we are a family. So join in at some upcoming events, have some fun, make some new friends and reconnect with some old friends. Spend some time with the CVMC family.

I hope to see you all soon as we share a meal and a laugh and build memories together.

Joe Colvin CVMC Grand Poohbah (That's a fancy word for President) joe@cvmustang.org In looking for material for the newsletter, I came across a great article about 25 Mustang facts that every enthusiast should know. Below is just one of the facts and next month we'll have the whole article. It's a great article and you might learn something new so have your No. 2 pencils ready.

#### Last Mustang with a 351 V-8 1995 Ford Mustang SVT Cobra R



Although the 1971 Boss 351 was the final Mustang with solid lifters, it wasn't the final 351-powered pony. In 1995, SVT brought back the 351 to power its second Cobra R model. The engine was fuel injected and featured a 9:1 compression ratio. It made 300 hp, which was considerable at the time, and was backed by a Tremec five-speed. Only 250 were built. Motor Trend tested one, hitting 60 mph in 5.2 seconds.

Garo Chekerdemian CVMC - Newsletter Editor



## August 2021

Date	Time	Description	
<b>6</b> Fri	5 <sub>PM</sub> 🔤	Clovis Missionary Baptist Church Car Show	
<b>7</b> Sat	10:00 <sub>AM</sub> 🔤	Monthly Club Breakfast/Blossom Trail Cafe	
<b>13</b> Fri	5 <sub>PM</sub> 💌	Clovis Missionary Baptist Church Car Show	
<b>20</b> Fri	5 <sub>PM</sub> 👿	Clovis Missionary Baptist Church Car Show	
<b>21</b> Sat	8 <sub>AM</sub> 💌	Classic Cars, Coffee and Hearts	
<b>23</b> Mon	6pm - 8pm	Board meeting	
<b>26</b> Thu	6рм - 8рм 📷	CVMC general meeting at Black Bear Diner	
<b>27</b> Fri	5рм 🔤	Clovis Missionary Baptist Church Car Show	
<b>28</b> Sat	3:30 <sub>PM</sub> 📷	NEW DAY Sugar Pine Railroad & BBQ	

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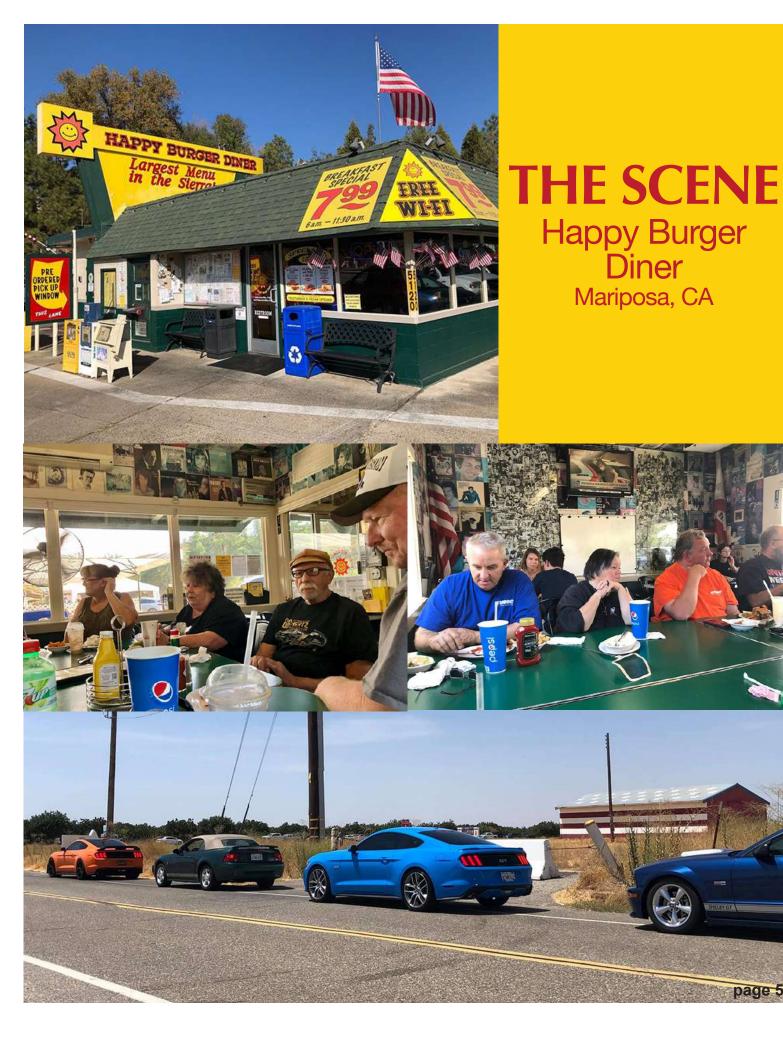
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The 1965 Shelby Mustang GT350 helped Ford gain racing pedigree and solidified the Mustang's legacy. To illustrate why it's so important to America's automotive culture, and how to spot a genuine specimen of its kind, Colin Comer of Hagerty puts a stunning example under the microscope.

The brains behind the '65 Mustang Shelby GT350 is the fabled Carrol Shelby. Then vice-president and general manager Lee lacocca entrusted him with beefing up the Mustang range and giving it guts so that it could win races and establish a performance image. Shelby tweaked the Mustang by improving the chassis to SCCA standards and created a production-legal two-seater sports car, the GT350, that was the first ever Shelby Mustang.

This motoring icon has already hit six figures, ranging from between \$487,000–\$587,000 in 2021. The original GT350 didn't have the classic Le Mans stripes and featured plain steel wheels with no hubcaps. These cars were only available in white and didn't have air conditioning or a radio.

The interior, on the other hand, differs from the normal Mustang because it lacks back seats. It also features a gauge pod, wood-rimmed aluminum steering wheel, horn button, and ray brown seatbelts, which are unique to the GT350 and are becoming increasingly scarce and expensive.

The renowned 289 cubic inch K-code solid lifter camshaft V8 engine with aluminum dual-plane intake, 715 Holley carburetor, and tri-Y headers is housed under the hood. The Shelby GT350's aluminum Borg Warner T10 close-ratio gearbox is both delicate and unique, and it sits behind the K-code engine.

To determine if a car is a genuine GT350, look for the original Shelby VIN tag and the Ford serial number that can be found under the VIN tag. Every original Ford body part has identification marks and date codes. And, because the GT350 is a unibody car, it's critical to have as many original parts as possible, while ensuring they haven't been subject to the cancer of cars, aka rust.

The VIN tag, which is placed on the passenger side of the engine block, can be used to determine whether or not the engine is original. If the engine is not replaced, it should match the car's chassis.

So, if you want to own a real 1965 Mustang Shelby GT350, you may use the methods outlined above to verify your car is authentic.

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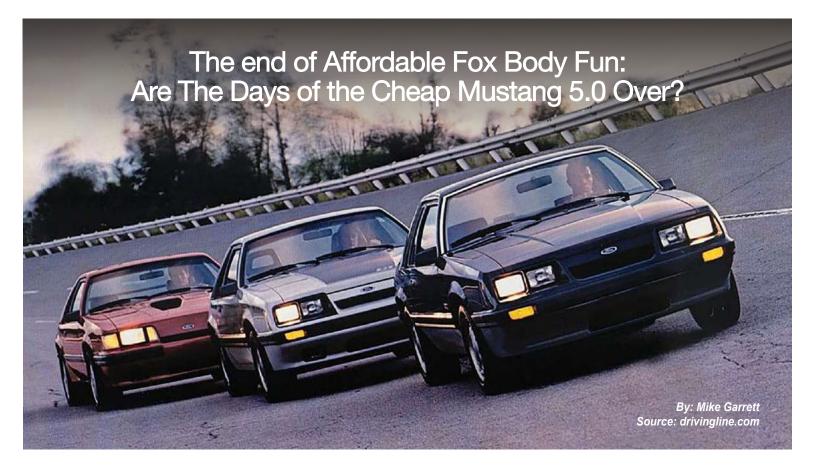
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Few American performance cars have been more influential than the 1979-1993 Ford Mustang, also known as the Fox Body. For a generation of enthusiasts, including myself, these cars served as a gateway into modern V8 performance.

Things really took off for the Mustang in 1985 with the introduction of a the 5.0L HO small block V8. This was a quick car—especially when equipped with the new five-speed gearbox.

#### First American Car to Rival Performance of the '60s

It was a groundbreaking car not just for its performance to price ratio, but because it was one of the first American performance cars that could rival the performance of the late '60s after more than 15 years of cars choked down by emissions laws.

Things got even better in 1987 with the debut of the new fuel injected 5.0 V8, which made more power and brought the small block Ford into a new era of potential.

Not only did this make a new 5.0 Mustang an even better performance bargain, when it came to upgrades, it established an entirely new market for what was then high tech performance. This aftermarket would only grow as the years went on, and the Fox Body Mustang would become massively popular on the secondhand market long after Ford stopped selling them in 1993.

#### Popular Enthusiast Vehicle

All through the rest of the '90s, the 2000s and most of the 2010s the Fox Body 5.0 Mustang continued to be one of America's most popular enthusiast vehicles.

They were used for everything from drag racing and drifting to open track racing. And that's before you get to the endless 5.0 Mustang street builds, both mild and wild.

#### Not So Affordable Anymore

But by the late 2010s and now into the 2020s, things have started to change. As I write this, the newest of the Fox Body Mustangs is now 28 years old, and that means not only have these cars aged, they are now bonafide classics.

Often age alone isn't enough to make a car a "classic," but given that Fox Body Mustangs have been cool basically since they came out, it's no surprise that demand has stayed high.

If you've looked around, you've probably noticed that



5.0 Mustang prices are crazy. A fair condition running example that for decades could be had for couple grand are now going for at least \$10,000.

Even crazier, there are even people asking nearly that much for factory four-cylinder cars that used to be nearly worthless. But it's not just age that's brought up the values of these cars.

It's almost always the original or lightly modified versions of the popular cars that bring the most money, and the decades of the Fox Body being seen as a cheap and disposable performance car have caught up with it. Casualties have piled over the years, with many 5.0s having been wrecked, abused and modified beyond the point of no return.

There are obviously plenty of people out there who have the money and the nostalgia to pay top dollar for a Fox Body. And that's not a bad thing. It's just a sign of the changing times, and a reality that those who grew up with "cheap" 5.0s will have to face.

Right now, in 2021, it's safe to say most Fox Body buyers are no longer looking for the cheapest, fastest car they can get. Today it's much more likely they have an emotional attachment to the styling and feel of the car or are looking to recapture their youth.

In other words, these are the same things that have kept other classic cars desirable even if newer and "better" cars can be had cheaper. A Fox Body Mustang is now largely an emotional purchase.

And even if you are disappointed by the current prices, you might still want to buy one now because it's not likely that they are going to get any cheaper in the coming years.

On the other hand, for those just looking for a budget performance car with a lot of potential there are still tons of great choices out there, both Mustang models and others and we'll be outlining some of these soon.



Dressed in rare white-and-gold combo, Shelby GT350H one of 999 made for Hertz in '66, fully restored and autographed by Carroll Shelby.

Though Hertz is hurting at the moment due to shortages exacerbated by the pandemic, there was a time when things were right at the rental counter. Especially if you were also a Shelby Mustang fan. In 1966, the late Carroll Shelby teamed up with Ford and Hertz bring a ton of hot Texas chili to the lot, in the form of the GT350H. Just 999 were built for the '66 model year, most of which in black with gold stripes. All of them hit the track on the weekends while at Hertz, then eventually returned to Ford for sale to the public.

This GT350H, though, stands out for its color. Instead of black with gold, this one's white with gold. Now, it heads down to Orlando to roll across the red carpet of Mecum Auctions at the end of July.

Originally delivered to Hertz's counter in Chicago April 5, 1966 by Jack Loftus Ford, the GT350H has ownership records dating back to 1972. And speaking of records, the white pony is in the Shelby American Automobile Club registry, who also verified the serial numbers on the car. Even the shipping documents come with this rare thunderhorse.

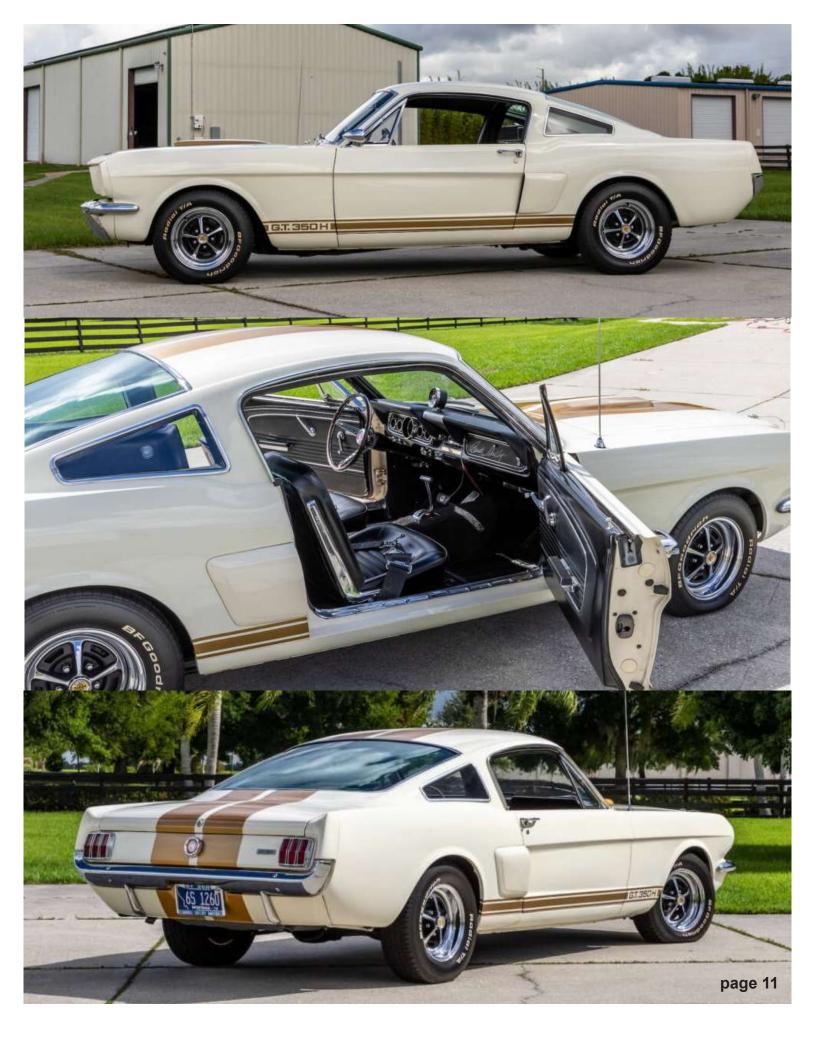
Under the hood of the GT350H is, of course, the 289 V8, one linked to the 9-inch rear through an automatic. In its day, 306 thoroughbreds with a combined 329 lb-ft of torque made short work at the track. A few herds even turned up to run in SCCA's production class.

Inside, the hottest feature is Shelby's signature on the glove box door, plus the certificate of authenticity from the Carroll Shelby Children's Foundation. Otherwise, it's your black interior with chrome trim, plus the big wood-and-chrome Shelby Cobra steering wheel. The dash-mounted tach is a really cool touch, too.

Imagine the stories the GT350H could tell, including the ones from its time with Hertz. It wasn't often one could rent a race car in the same place one could rent more staid machines. However, for at least a time in the Sixties, Shelby and Hertz delivered the goods.

**Photos: Mecum Auctions** 

By: Cameron Aubernon Source: themustangsource.com





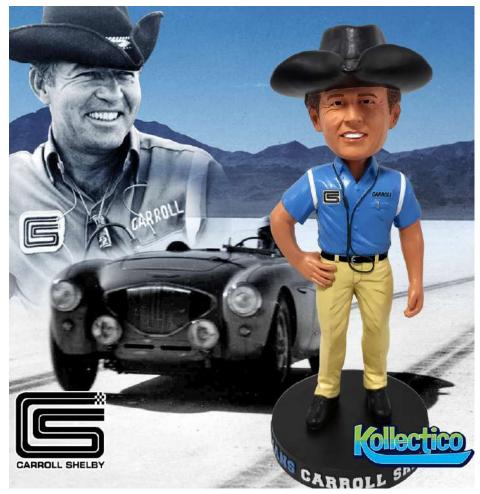
## Foreshadowing a future when an electric vehicle's range is secondary to how it drives, the Ford Mustang Mach-E is our EV of the Year.

If an automaker wanted to convert people from EV skeptics to EV evangelists, it's hard to imagine a better vehicle for the job than the Ford Mustang Mach-E. It arrives in the familiar shape and size of the crossovers Americans love, at a price that competes with gas-powered alternatives, and with a design that gets noticed. The Mach-E has the range and charging speed to wave off the most common EV criticisms, and thanks to Electrify America's recent work, there's a nationwide charging network that makes long interstate trips not just possible but tolerable. For new EV converts, piloting a Mach-E isn't so different from driving a gas-burning SUV that it feels foreign, yet the experience is futuristic enough to be exciting. It's the right car to bring drivers along during this watershed moment as EVs transition from niche alternative to new normal.

Best of all, the Mach-E is fun. It moves us past the argument that we should drive EVs because they're better for the environment and proposes a simpler, more fundamental truth: EVs can be as rewarding to drive as their gas counterparts. The Mach-E strikes a sweet balance between practical and visceral, landing in the space where Mazda often operates. Ford has built an EV that's suited to kid-hauling duty, Costco runs, and daily commutes but that doesn't strip the soul out of driving.

You don't attack a road in this Mustang. You set a swift pace and find flow in a seamless plateau of torque as you transition between foot-to-the-floor acceleration and the precise modulation of regenerative braking during one-pedal driving. The all-wheel-drive, big-battery version makes 346 horsepower and hits 60 mph in 4.9 seconds. On city streets, tapping into that power is exhilarating. The Mach-E punches out of 25-mph corners and zaps past dawdling delivery trucks. Thrust arrives as fast as your foot can ask for it.

### Carroll Shelby Bobbleheads Debut As Nifty Keepsake For Enthusiasts



#### By: Brett Foote Source: fordauthority.com

Few individuals in automotive history (particularly Ford history) are as beloved or important as Carroll Shelby. The legendary driver, designer, and entrepreneur was responsible for a number of historic vehicles and racing wins over the years prior to his passing back in 2012. Regardless, Blue Oval fans continue to celebrate Shelby's legacy to this day, via everything from street names to spirits. Now, that list has expanded to include Carroll Shelby bobbleheads, too.

The officially licensed Carroll Shelby bobbleheads are currently available to pre-order via Bobble Boss – one of the world's largest manufacturers of collectible bobbleheads. Each is hand-sculpted and hand-painted, depicting a young Shelby wearing his signature cowboy hat and logo'd shirt. Each bobblehead is individually numbered, with just 1,969 pieces planned for production, making this a surefire collectible.

The bobbleheads come packaged in a collector box as well, all for the price of \$49.99. We imagine that most who buy one won't take it out of the package, but this likeness of Shelby would obviously look good sitting on any car fanatic's mantle or shelf, which is probably already adorned with some Shelby-related collectibles, whether they be model cars or various other goods.

Carroll Shelby resonates with automotive enthusiasts because he too was an enthusiast, from a very young age. After serving as a pilot in World War II, Shelby went on to pursue a career in motorsports, and he was even awarded "Driver of the Year" by Sports Illustrated two times. Shelby won the 24 Hours of Le Mans in 1959, but ultimately, heart problems forced him to the sidelines the very next year.

That early retirement from driving actually turned out to be a good thing for the automotive world, as Shelby went on to do great things, whether it was creating the Shelby Cobra, working with Ford to build some iconic Ford Mustang models, and rack up a number of historic wins on the track. Now, fans can be reminded of these many accomplishments every time they glance over at this bobblehead, too.

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