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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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Time... "...there never seems to be enough time to do the things you want to do"

Well, Jim Croce got that right!

Hard to believe we are headed into the second half of 2018. With good times past and many more ahead life marches on. We have many summer activities planned and have already begun setting up events for the fall and early winter as we close out 2018.

I am thankful for the hard work of the board and willingness to make our club the best in the state. The impressive job of all our board members has made my job as your president an enjoyable one. I have to give a special "Thank you" to Karen Lee and Robin McCann. These ladies continue to impress me with the amount of work they put in for our club and beyond.

Behind the scenes is controlled chaos so please take a minute to thank your board members for the jobs they do.

As we move closer to the CVFH Wheels & Waves show we are still needing some help. Each year our goal is to do better than the last and this year is no different. Brandon, Paul and the rest of the team have been maxed out with making this event one we can all be proud of. Please help where you can and make sure to thank those on the CVFH team.

-Respectfully,

Ron Dupras CVMC President 2017-2018

"Get involved, engage in your club and enjoy the journey."



Crazy, crazy times...

Wishing all of you well and safe travels. See you soon.



Garo ChekerdemianCVMC - Newsletter Editor

recipe

Asian Chicken Cranberry Salad

Submitted By: Carla Chekerdemian



Toast almonds by laying on a paper towel and microwaving for 1 minute, turning once. Or, toast the sliced almonds under low broil for 2-3 minutes, until golden brown. You can also make your own cabbage mix with green and purple cabbage with a tiny bit of carrots.

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 small bags of coleslaw mix (about 12 cups)
- 4 cups rotisserie chicken, finely chopped
- 1 1/2 cups toasted sliced almonds (or cashews)
- 1 1/2 cup dried cranberries
- 3/4 cup red onion, finely diced
- 1 cup sesame sticks (found in the bulk aisle at grocery store optional)
- 1 1/2 cups chopped cilantro
- 1/4 cup black sesame seeds
- · 1 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/2 cup balsamic vinegar
- · 4 Tbsp. low-sodium soy sauce
- 3-4 cloves garlic, chopped
- · 4 Tbsp. honey or brown sugar
- · 4 Tbsp. minced ginger
- · 2 tsp. toasted sesame oil

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Layer the cabbage in a large bowl with chicken, almonds (or cashews, or both), cranberries, red onion, sesame seeds, sesame sticks (optional), and fresh cilantro.
- 2) Combine the olive oil, balsamic vinegar, soy sauce, garlic, honey, ginger, and sesame oil in a blender. Add 3 tablespoons of water. Process until smooth.
- 3) Lightly pour the dressing over the salad mixture, according to how moist you like the salad. Gently toss and serve. (You may have a little dressing left over.)



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Minarets grads led into new chapter in life with Mustangs

Submitted By: Mary Whitley



It was a night of celebration Wednesday, June 6 as the Minarets High School Class of 2018 turned the page on their lives as Mustangs, with a keen eye on writing the next chapter as young adults.

The 82 graduates were escorted into the ceremony in Ford Mustangs from all years, courtesy of the Mustang Club of Fresno. The sounds of the Minarets Showband also greeted the crowd, as principal Daniel Ching welcomed parents, families and well-wishers. Graduating senior Veruschka Pearce sang the National Anthem.

Saggy Leaf Springs

By: Scott Huntington

Source: www.allfordmustangs.com

A good suspension holds importance for a host of different reasons, not the least of which being your suspension absorbs every bump you hit on the road, so you don't absorb them with your lower back — trust us, that sucks. One forum user, under the name Christian68, had trouble with the leaf springs in his '68 Mustang Fastback. Let's take a look at Christan's problem and some of the potential solutions to help you deal with saggy leaf springs.

You can't go wrong with a '68 Fastback. These classic 'Stangs are the everyman's muscle car and have retained their iconic status for decades. The older ones, though, tend to start wearing out after a while. Parts you don't normally think of as needing replacement, such as leaf springs, start to wear out, and that's what happened to Christan68's classic.

The leaf springs on his car were so worn he was afraid to drive the car with a full tank because the smallest bump would cause the car to bottom out.

A local shop sold him the replacement springs for around \$350. He wasn't sure about the replacements, though, because he couldn't find any information about how that would change the ride height. The other option included adding an additional leaf to the existing springs, but Christian worried this was a band-aid over a problem that would happen again in a couple of years.

Possible Causes

What could possibly cause the sagging of solid pieces of steel like leaf springs?

They may look solid, but leaf springs have several moving parts that are prone to wear. The steel itself can settle with age — as in the case of Christian's springs — which leads to suspension problems. They can also simply wear out over time, or the leaves themselves can rub together and wear out as well.

If you have suspension problems, take some time to clean off and inspect your leaf springs for wear or cracking.

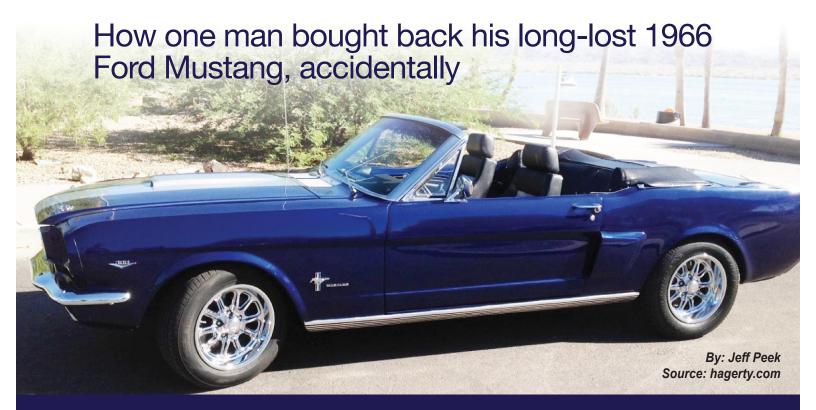




The Solution

What did Christian end up doing with his classic Fastback? Thanks to a tip from another forum user, I6Ccoupe, he went to a local spring shop. They ended up replacing one of the leaves on each side and re-arced the springs to keep the car from bottoming out while being driven. Not only did this make the car ride a lot better, but it also helped to even out the balancing issue that caused the passenger side to ride even lower than the driver's side.

Classic cars with leaf springs provide some decent rides, but they can fail after a while and might need to be replaced or re-arced. Finding a good shop or replacing the parts yourself are your only options if your springs start to sag. Thankfully, it's a simple repair, and it can add life to your car that will keep you driving for years to come.



It was meant to be. Oh, sure, lots of people say stuff like that, but when it comes to Tab Lagow and his 1966 Ford Mustang convertible, it's difficult to argue otherwise.

Lagow spent a lot of time in auto body shops while growing up in California, and he eventually turned his car knowledge into a money-making side job by flipping Mustangs. One of those pony cars was a '66 convertible that he purchased on eBay for \$1000.

"It was a total rust bucket," he says. "I bought all new sheet metal and I was half-way—or maybe three-quarters of the way—through the sheet metal welding when I went through a divorce, and I had to sell it."

Off the car went, mostly in pieces, to an older man, who bought it as a father-son project. Lagow didn't think much about the '66 after that.

Years later, after Tab remarried, he and his wife, Dana, owned an early 1965 (1964.5) Mustang that he restored and painted. The coupe didn't have air-conditioning, and as the couple drove the car in 110-degree heat near their current home in Lake Havasu, Arizona, they agreed that a convertible might be a better option. So Tab sold the '64.5 and began looking for another project car about three years ago.

He found a red '66 in southern California on eBay that had a clean body but no interior or top. It also carried a 5.0-liter engine installed (but not hooked up) by the previous owner. The rest of the car was mostly in boxes. He went for it.

As Lagow, now 58, began searching each box "like a kid at Christmas," he pulled out a Ziploc baggie that contained nuts and bolts and a note that read, "Bolts for driver's door."

He laughed and showed the piece of paper to Dana, saying it looked a lot like his handwriting. Then he opened another baggie, inspected another note, and decided, "That IS my handwriting." Lagow turned the paper over, and on the other side were the words, "Good morning, my Rooskie. Hope you have a great day." He couldn't believe his eyes. Rooskie was his nickname for his daughter, Sumner. Tab had written that note years earlier and placed it in his daughter's lunch, and had reused the paper while labeling the parts for the '66 Mustang before he sold it.

Three years have passed since then, and the '66 convertible has been beautifully restored and is powered by a 302-cubic-inch V-8 with automatic transmission and front disc brakes. Tab did the work himself and has no intention of letting the car go again. "No, it's kind of a member of the family now," he says, adding that Rooskie just turned 31.

Was it meant to be? Lagow certainly thinks so. And the car's customized license plate confirms as much: 66MNT2B.





SPECIAL EDITION: 1968 Mustang Dixie Special

Source: mustangattitude.com

Ever hear about the Mississippi, Louisiana 1968 Dixie Special limited edition Mustang? Neither did we until we discovered this series of newspaper advertisements from several Mississippi and Louisiana dealerships between February 27th and March 29th of 1968. This ad was placed by Swartzfager Ford in the March 15th, 1968 edition of the Laurel Leader-Call in Laurel Mississippi. From this ad we see that the Dixie Special was a limited number of specially built Mustang, Fairlane hardtop, and Ford XL fastbacks for the Dixie area.

From the other advertisements in this set we see that the Dixie Special included a special paint job, a Dixie Special license plate, and an emblem on every unit. It doesn't appear that just one color was used since this advertisement says Special Colors. From the last ad we know that at least one was a light yellow and most of the ads state a Mustang hardtop. We also think the Dixie Special emblem is the 11 star badge with the Dixie Special lettering shown at the bottom of each ad. Probably 11 stars for each of the states in the original Confederate Union.

Now the hunt is on to find one of these Mustangs! Could this be one of them? The DSO, date, and special color matches. This ad shows some new 68 Ford cars on a car carrier. The two Mustangs on top look like GTs. They have the fog lights in the grille and C-stripes on their sides. It is interesting that they have the economy dog-dish style hub caps. Many of the 60s cars were ordered this way.





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Updates on the new 2019 Ford Mustang Shelby GT350!

Source: http://markets.businessinsider.com

When it comes to an improvement over the last generation, the new 2019 Ford Mustang GT350 certainly doesn't disappoint! Ford released a bit more information on their next generation of Mustang Shelby, and it looks promising for any vehicle enthusiast!

The new 2019 Ford Mustang Shelby GT350 will offer an improved look, upgraded performance, and a ton of power, harking back to its roots as a track vehicle. It does this with the latest tires, aerodynamics, and chassis designed with speed and power in mind. The tires will be new Michelin Pilot Sport Cup 2, which a specific tread pattern and compound to deliver more grip and better acceleration!

Additionally, the new 2019 Ford Mustang Shelby GT350 will also feature an exclusive high-revving 5.2-liter V8 engine, which is the most powerful naturally aspirated Ford production engine ever made. This engine will deliver 526 horse-power and 429 lb-ft of torque, utilizing the exceptional and track-proven Tremec six-speed manual transmission.

Additionally, the new 2019 Ford Mustang Shelby GT350 will also feature exceptional stopping power, provided by six-piston front and four-piston rear Brembo brakes, which are designed with track-speed stopping in mind! These brakes will give better control for drivers, giving them extra safety and stopping power when compared to normal performance brake systems!

The 2019 Ford Mustang Shelf GT350 is expected to hit lots across the nation sometime this summer, meaning that there won't be a very long wait at all!



Did you know?

As most of us hardcore Mustang fanatics know the Mustang debuted on April 17, 1964 but did you know the price was only \$2,368. Another little known fact was Ford expected annual sales of only a 100,000 units but with 22,000 orders taken on the first day Ford quickly realized it had something special. They eventually sold 417,000 Mustangs over the next 12 months which was truly an amazing feat.

One fact that blows my mind is how there were 93,000 pedal-powered children's Mustangs bought for the 1964 Christmas season and during the 1966 model year Mustang sales passed the 1 million mark. Check out the complete list of 1964-1974 Mustang facts below and be sure to check back later in the week for part two, 1974-1982 Mustang facts.

1964-1974 Mustang Facts

- The original Ford Mustang debuted on April 17, 1964 at a price of \$2,368 a bargain even at that time.
- Dealers were inundated with requests for the vehicle. In Garland, Texas, 15 customers bid on the same Mustang, and the winner insisted on sleeping in the car overnight to guarantee that it wouldn't get sold from under him before his check cleared the next day.
- Ford expected annual sales of about 100,000 units, but 22,000 Mustang orders were taken on the first day, and sales reached an astounding 417,000 in the car's first 12 months on the market.
- Not much more than a month after its introduction, Ford's new Mustang was on the racetrack as the pace car for the 1964 Indianapolis 500 race.
- The early Mustangs have figured prominently in hundreds of notable films to date, beginning in 1964 with the James Bond movie Goldfinger, in which Bond's Aston Martin DB5 chased a white Mustang convertible.
- Mustang-crazed parents bought 93,000 pedal-powered children's Mustangs during the 1964 Christmas season.
- In 1965, the Shelby GT350 was introduced, with a 306 horsepower V-8 engine, giving the Mustang performance credibility.

- Mustang sales passed the one million mark in March of 1966. The 1966 Mustang was the first and perhaps the only car to park on the 86th floor observation deck of New York's Empire State Building. Ford engineers disassembled a 1966 Mustang convertible and took it up in four sections using the building's passenger elevators.
- Mustang-mania hit full force. The 289-cid V-8 "Hi-Po" engine became available. Carroll Shelby adapted the Shelby GT350 for Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) competition, and the GT350 went on to win three straight SCCA national championships.
- The 1967 Mustang was considered by many to be the high water mark for Mustang design in the 1960s. The 2+2 model went from a semi-notchback to a sweeping full fastback roofline. Separate triple tail lamps, a longer nose and a bigger grille made for a more aggressive stance.
- In 1968, the 428 Cobra Jet engine was introduced as part of an option package aimed at enthusiasts, and it helped make the Shelby GT500 become King of the Road KR.
- A "steed for every need" philosophy yielded 11 different powertrain combinations in 1969. New models added to the lineup included hot rods like the 290 horsepower Boss 302, the 375 horsepower Boss 429 and the Mach 1, giving the Mustang its muscle car heritage. The Grande luxury model also was introduced.
- In 1970, a ram air "Shaker" hood scoop could be ordered on any Mustang equipped with a 351-cid or larger V-8.
- The 1971 Mustangs were the biggest Mustangs ever nearly a foot longer and some 600 pounds heavier than the originals. The Boss 351, with its 351 "Cleveland" V-8 and Cobra Jet heads, debuted. The Mach 1 was available with a variety of powertrains, topped by the 370 horsepower 429 Super Cobra Jet.
- In 1973, the impact of gasoline shortages, rising insurance premiums and emissions controls brought the muscle car era to a close. The 1973 model was the last original Falcon-platform Mustang, and the convertible model was discontinued.



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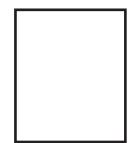
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