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Article By Tony Hall



CVMC 5th Annual April Car Show

The Central Virginia Mustang Club (CVMC) would like to invite you to our 5th Annual April Car Show. CVMC enjoyed having you at our past shows and looks forward to seeing you

on April 17 at Virginia Center Commons Mall.

Having you as our guest will help make this years show one of our best ever! CVMC will have Dash Plaques for the first 100 show registrants, two categories of Top 20 Awards, five Best of Show Awards, 50\50 Drawing and many fantastic Door Prizes.

The April 17 show flyer and registration form is on the CVMC web site for your convenience.

As in the past, the show will take place at Virginia Center Common Mall, 10101 Brook Road (US Route 1), Glen Allen, Virginia. All vehicles are welcome to enter this premier event.

Show hours are 9 AM to 4 PM with check-in beginning at 9 AM. Registration fee is \$20.00 day of the show. The registration process will be streamlined if show participants bring a completed registration with them to the show. Pre registration is not available for this event. This car show is rain or shine.

All cars, including, Antiques, Modifieds, Street Rods, Restored, GMs, Mopars, Fords, AMCs, Imports and Trucks, from 1900 to the Present are invited to attend. Best of Show Awards for GM, Mopar, Ford, Import and Truck will be awarded at the end of the day. Participants must be present to win and collect an award.

Top 20 Awards for model year 1900 to 1973 and Top 20 Awards for 1974 to the present will also be awarded. For more information, call George Bobrovsky on his cell at 804-658-8173 or email

georgeb427@verizon.net

We look forward to seeing you at the 5th Annual CVMC April Car Show!

Article BY George Bobrovsky
Photo By Tony Hall



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CVMC – Cruising Is Back For 2010!

Montpelier Cruise!

The first cruise for 2010 is planned for Sunday, May 2, 2010.

Here's the tentative schedule:

Meet in west end 9:30 a.m.
Just west of the Broad St./64 Interchange, there is a Home Depot on the right. We will leave at 10a.m.

Arrive at Montpelier approx 11 a.m. Montpelier will have a place for all of the Mustangs to park together.

11:15 a.m. - 15 min. presentation film at visitor's center.

11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. guided tour for groups of 20.

12:45 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Tour grounds on your own.

2:45-3:00 p.m. meet at parking area to go to restaurant.

3:00 – lunch/dinner at Country Cookin' Restaurant.

We will cruise to Montpelier, President James Madison's home from 1797 to 1812, located in the rolling Piedmont hills of Virginia northeast of Charlottesville. You can also take advantage of the Montpelier Wine Festival, which will be held on the grounds of Montpelier on the same day. The home has been through a \$25 million architectural restoration, which was completed Sept. 27, 2008 by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The estate has been restored to look as it did when James and Dolley Madison lived there. Check out Montpelier's web site:

<http://www.montpelier.org/>

Admission Fees: Admission to Montpelier includes a guided tour of the Madison home; admission to the 2,650-acre gardens and grounds; seasonal and themed tours; the Gilmore Cabin: A Freedman's Farm; the Visitor Center and William Du Pont Gallery; Education Center; Museum Shop; Landmark Forest; Madison Family Cemetery; Slave Cemetery; active archaeological digs; and the Annie Du Pont Formal Garden. Admission also includes an audio guide that allows visitors to take a self-guided tour of the grounds.

Adults: \$16.00

(If we have 20 or more we can get a group rate of \$14/person)

Children (under 6 years): No charge

Children (6-14 years): \$8.00

May 1 & 2 (Sat.-Sun.):

Montpelier Wine Festival Sample award-winning wines and relax on Montpelier's splendid 2,650-acre grounds while enjoying specialty foods, children's activities, kite contests, vendors, crafters and more! For more information see

www.montpelierwinefestival.com.

Gardens & Grounds Tour

Sundays, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. | April through October. This hour-long walking tour explores the ways in which the Montpelier landscape has evolved from Madison's day to the present. In the 20th century, the Du Ponts retained and enhanced basic elements of the Madison landscape

while introducing new features. The tour covers the formal garden and the mansion grounds, including a remarkable collection of mature specimen trees, and the historic social uses of the landscape.



Directions From Richmond to Montpelier: 11407 Constitution Hwy., Montpelier Station, VA 22957
Take I-64 west to Zion Crossroads. Take Exit 136 Gordonsville/Palmyra. Exit onto Route 15 north to Orange. At Orange merge onto Route 20 south/west, go about 4 miles. Take a left into the Montpelier entrance. Total traveling time: 1 to 1 ½ hours.

If interested, we will eat at 2:45 p.m. at Country Cookin', Orange, VA, 5.3 miles from Montpelier. Check out their website and download their menu:

<http://sayitontheweb.com/~cookin/index.php>

Directions from Montpelier to Country Cookin' Restaurant:
From Montpelier, take Rt. 20 north/east towards Orange (Montford Rd.). Continue to follow Rt. 20 – 3.7 miles. Turn RIGHT onto CAROLINE ST/US-15/VA-20. Continue to follow US-15 S. 1.6 miles. Country Cookin' is on the right in Colonial Square Shopping Center. 13246 James Madison Hwy., Orange, VA 22960, (540-672-5353).

Payment will be accepted in advance for your admission to Montpelier at the Group Rate of \$14/person for adults, Children 6 to 14 \$8/person, Children under 6 - free. Please e-mail me (Linda Cosier) in advance if you plan to go so I will have an approximate number of people to give to Montpelier for the tours. Also,

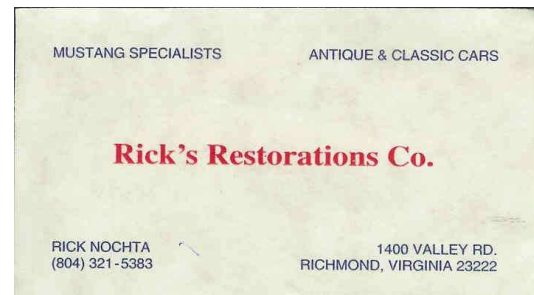
please advise if you will be going to eat with the club so I can make reservations at the restaurant.

Contact Linda Cosier if you have any questions:
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CVMC 26th Annual Mustang & Ford Show Update

On Jan.11, 2010, there was a meeting to go over and update the flyer for the fall show. It was very productive as everyone in attendance had ideas to improve the flyer or correct things that were not worded properly. Of course there were a couple of things that we just plain changed. We are getting our first order printed to have for the Asphalt Angels Show and also to get everyone in the mindset of having a great fall show. We will be setting up judging clinics and making requests for help in all aspects of the show.

Article By Larry Noble



Mustang Restoration, Part's, Appraisal's, MCA & SAAC Judging Experience. Give Rick Nochta a call for all your Mustang needs!

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Be sure to present you CVMC Membership Card for a 5% to 15% discount!

CVMC January Monthly Meeting Minutes

By Renee Bennett

President: Tony Hall called the meeting at 7:30 pm

Tony introduced our new board member's congratulations to all of you and to Tony for being the new president and Tony let everyone know that on Monday January 18th 2010 at 7pm there will be a board meeting Shoney's VA Center Commons anyone can come.

New Member's:

Tom Bernardo 1968 Fastback, Jim Stanley 65 GT Fastback ,GT500 2007 welcome new members.

Old Member's New News:

Gordon Martin let us know that we will still be holding the meeting's here at the Holiday Inn and the Christmas party will be here again as well. Gordon said he got great feed back from the member's from this past Christmas party that we will have it here again.

Treasure's Report:

Ron Martin gave the treasure's report and Tony asked for a motion to accept it and it was given.

MCA: Dave Dickey spoke about the MCA and being a member if you want to become a member see Dave. The Regional shows this year will be in VA Beach August 13th -15th.

Dave said he got a call from Carroll Lipscombes' family and on February 6 or 20th they are selling Carroll's old car part's if interested let Dave Dickey know they are also selling his 1966 red GT call 746-4895

Cruises: There are some planned this year in July to Goochland Drive In and Montpelier James Madison Home more information to come.

Spring Show: George Bobrovsky talked bout the April Show it will be April 17th 2010 Virginia Center Commons set up will be April 16th from 9-4pm and there is no pre registration for this show if you want to help with anything for this show just

let George know and we do need sponsors.

Parades: Llew Stakes talked about the parades and any up coming ones we had 31 cars at Ashland, Mechanicsville 27 cars and Chester 3 cars rained very hard that day and the Bon Air Parade is planned for the spring sometime in May more information will come as it gets closer.

Merchandise: George spoke about all the nice club stuff he has for sell buy something nice and support the club he has hats, jackets with our logo on them ect.

President: Tony Hall called for break at 8pm

Break over: 8:20pm

President Tony Hall let everyone know that On January 11, 2010 there will be a meeting at Dave Dickey's house 6:30pm. Pizza will be served and they will review the show flyer.

Gordon Martin let every one know that there will be a swap meet and car Coral on March 13th off of old rt33 in Farrington Fire Station.

50/50 Drawing winner was Dave Dickey Congratulations!

Happy Birthday to everyone in the Month of January!

President Tony Hall: Tony adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm

CVMC Directors Meeting Minutes - January

By Renee Bennett

President Tony Hall started the Board meeting at 7:15pm.

- I. President Tony Hall reviewed each Officer and Directors duties per the By-Laws.
- II. President Tony Hall recruited volunteers to fill a couple of positions
 - Newsletter Correspondent – Militza Simic
 - Club Photographer – Militza Simic

- Social Events – Gordon Martin
- III. The Officers and Directors discussed some minor By-Law changes proposed by members of the board. Changes were made to the following...
- Article V: Section 2: Add the following – The Nominating Committee will be appointed by the President.
 - Article VI: Section 5: Sub-Section E: Insert the following words between the words "the^business" – Central Virginia Mustang Club
 - Article IX: Section 5: Insert the following words between the words "voting^in" – by email or
 - Article XIII: Section 2: Sub-Section A: Replace the words "Picnics & Parties" with Social Activities; Sub-Section H: Replace the word "Refreshments" with Door Prizes; Sub-Section J: Replace the word "Scrapbook" with Website; Sub-Section K: Community Service was added
- ... The changes were voted on by the Officers and Directors. They will be voted on by the membership at the February Meeting.
- IV. President Tony Hall informed the Officer and Board of Directors about CVMC's upcoming events
- Adopt-A-Highway – April 10, 2010
 - Spring Show – April 17, 2010
 - Montpelier Cruise – May 2, 2010
 - Memorial Day Parades – TBD

- MCA National: Virginia Beach, Virginia – August 13-15, 2010
 - MCA National: Asheville, North Carolina – September 3-5, 2010
- V. George Bobrovsky reviewed the Spring Show and Larry Noble reviewed the Fall Show.
- VI. The Officers & Board of Directors set the next Board of Directors Meeting for May 10, 2010, at Shoney's at Virginia Center Commons Mall
- VII. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.



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Thanks For Contributing To The Galloping Gazette

I would like to take a minute to thank everyone who has contributed to the Galloping Gazette and let everyone know that if you have an article that you wrote on anything CVMC, Mustang and or Ford related please send it to me to be used in the newsletter.

Ideas for articles are but not limited to the following... Club Functions; Car Shows that you attended; Parades; Restoration Projects; Modification's; Unique Mustang's and or Ford's; Unique people connected with Mustang's and or Ford's; etc... Please include any pictures.

Be sure to send your articles to.
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News From The Blue Oval



FORD SWEEPS N.A. CAR AND TRUCK OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Ford swept the North American Car and Truck of the Year awards today at the North American International Auto Show (NAIAS), winning both prestigious awards for the 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid and the 2010 Ford Transit Connect, respectively.

It is the third time in 17 years that one manufacturer has won both awards.

The Ford Fusion Hybrid is America's most fuel-efficient midsize sedan with an EPA-estimated 41 mpg rating in the city and 36 mpg on the highway, topping the Toyota Camry hybrid by 8 mpg in the city and 2 mpg on the highway.

The Transit Connect is an industry-exclusive vehicle developed to be a smart new choice for small business owners; it offers double the fuel economy of full-size vans, generous and accessible cargo space, and the agility and maneuverability to operate in crowded urban areas

DETROIT, Jan. 11, 2010 – Ford Motor Company scored a historic doubleheader today, capturing both the North American Car of the Year and North American Truck of the Year awards for the 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid and 2010 Ford Transit Connect, respectively, at the North American International Auto Show (NAIAS). It is only the third time in 17 years that one manufacturer has won both titles.

"Winning both of these prestigious awards is confirmation that the ONE Ford plan is working, delivering industry-leading products for our customers," said Mark Fields, president of The Americas.

The North American Car and Truck of the Year awards recognize vehicles based on factors including innovation, design, safety, handling, driver satisfaction and value for the dollar. A jury of 49 automotive journalists in the United States and Canada vote for the vehicles, which must be "all-new" or "substantially changed" from the previous model to qualify for the award.

The Fusion Hybrid edged out finalists including the Buick LaCrosse and Volkswagen Golf/GTI to win the North American Car of the Year award. It is the fourth hybrid vehicle in 17 years to win recognition as North American Car (or Truck) of the Year. It also is the second hybrid win for Ford – the most hybrid wins for any automaker. The Ford Escape Hybrid

was named North American Truck of the Year in 2005.



The Transit Connect bested finalists including the Chevrolet Equinox and Subaru Outback to win the North American Truck of the Year award. It is the sixth Ford truck to win the award – the most wins of any automaker in the 17-year history of the awards program. It also is the second year in a row that Ford has captured the title. Last year, top honors went to the 2009 Ford F-150.

Fusion Hybrid a winner out of the gate The North American Car of the Year award is the latest in an impressive string of awards and accolades for the Fusion Hybrid. Most recently, the vehicle was honored as CAR and DRIVER Magazine's "10Best" Cars for 2010, one of AUTOMOBILE Magazine's 2010 All-Stars, and the entire Fusion lineup captured the acclaimed MOTOR TREND Car of the Year® award.

The all-new Fusion Hybrid arrived in dealers in March, complete with a powertrain system that combines the best attributes of the gasoline engine and electric battery-driven motors to deliver the optimal experience for the customer in terms of driving performance and fuel economy. The Fusion Hybrid also offers drivers a way to be more connected to the hybrid driving experience thanks to Ford's SmartGauge™ with EcoGuide, a unique instrument cluster execution that helps coach them on how to optimize the performance of their hybrid.

Other class-exclusive technologies and features that set the

Fusion Hybrid apart from the competition include Blind Spot Information System (BLIS®), Ford SYNC®, SIRIUS Travel Link™ and more total passenger and luggage capacity than the Toyota Camry.

Despite the slump in overall industry sales, 2009 was a record-breaking year for the Ford Fusion. Sales are at an all-time high, with the Fusion Hybrid accounting for almost 20 percent of total Fusion retail sales. Perhaps even more significant, more than 60 percent of Fusion Hybrid sales have been to customers coming from import brands – mostly Toyota and Honda.

Awards and accolades for the 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid include:

*MOTOR TREND Car of the Year Award
One of CAR and DRIVER Magazine's "10Best" Cars for 2010
One of AUTOMOBILE Magazine's 2010 All-Stars
2009 "Top Safety Pick" rating from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety
2009 Ward's Interior of the Year
Special Achievement Award for Best Graphic Display for SmartGauge with EcoGuide digital instrument cluster
Great Car for the Long-haul Salesman by Kelley Blue Book kbb.com
One of America's Top 40 New Cars by MOTOR TREND magazine
Rated the No. 1 Hybrid Family Sedan by CAR and DRIVER in a recent comparison test by the magazine
2009 and 2010 Editors Choice for Fuel Sipper by CAR and DRIVER Magazine
Best Hybrid for the Money in the Midsize Car segment by cars.com
One of 2009 Top 10 Green Cars by Kelley Blue Book kbb.com
The Detroit News Readers' Choice Award for "Best Value"
2010 Consumers Digest Best Buy
Detroit Free Press 2010 Car of the Year
2010 Most Environmentally Progressive Car of the Year by Earth, Wind & Power
10 Best Engine by Ward's Auto World*

The 2010 Fusion Hybrid is built at Ford's Hermosillo (Mexico) Stamping and Assembly Plant.

Transit Connect fills unmet needs of small businesses and fleets. The Transit Connect was brought to the U.S. to fulfill the unmet needs of small business owners and entrepreneurs, offering them a new vehicle choice with significantly improved fuel economy, generous and accessible cargo space, and the agility and maneuverability to operate in crowded urban areas.

Powered by a 2.0-liter I-4 engine with a four-speed automatic overdrive transmission, the Transit Connect offers double the fuel economy of full-size vans, delivering an EPA-estimated 22 mpg city and 25 mpg highway.

The Transit Connect also has more than double the cargo-carrying capacity of the Chevrolet HHR Panel, making it suitable for a broader range of commercial-use applications. And it offers commercial users a cargo payload of up to 1,600 pounds – a larger payload than the full-size Dodge Ram 1500 standard-cab short-box pickup truck.

The Transit Connect also is available with the industry-exclusive Ford Work Solutions™, a suite of affordable technologies that provides customers with connectivity, flexibility, visibility and security to better run key aspects of their business.

On Transit Connect, Ford Work Solutions delivers three innovative features:

A wireless in-dash computer that provides full high-speed Internet access, Bluetooth-enabled hands-free calling and navigation. The system also allows customers to print invoices, check inventories and access documents stored on their home or office computer networks right on the job site. Tool Link™, a Radio-Frequency Identification (RFID) asset tracking system that enables customers to maintain detailed real-time inventory of the tools or equipment. Crew Chief™, a fleet

tracking, telematics and diagnostics system that provides dynamic location and performance data fleet owners need to more efficiently manage their vehicles, quickly dispatch workers to job sites, monitor driver performance for safety and economy, and keep detailed vehicle maintenance records. Awards and accolades for the 2010 Ford Transit Connect include:

2010 Editors Choice for Vans by CAR and DRIVER Magazine

Detroit Free Press 2010 Truck of the Year

The Detroit News 2010 Truck of the Year

2010 Popular Mechanics Automotive Excellence Award for Best Workhorse Vehicle

A Great Car for the Small Business Delivery/Utility Worker by Kelley Blue Book kbb.com

The 2010 Ford Transit Connect is built at the Ford Otosan Kocaeli Plant in Kocaeli, Turkey.

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2011 FORD MUSTANG GT NAMED DAYTONA 500 PACE CAR; FIRST FORD TO PACE DAYTONA 500 IN 40 YEARS

The new 2011 Mustang GT, powered by the all-new 412-horsepower 5.0-liter V-8, will serve as the pace car for this year's Daytona 500 at Daytona International Speedway on Feb. 14. This will mark the first time in 40 years that a Ford has served as the pace car for 'The Great American Race,' with the last time being in 1970 when a Ford Torino GT convertible did the honors. It is Mustang's first time as pace car for the Daytona 500.

Fifty special pace car editions of the 2011 Mustang GT will be built and sold to the public.

The actual Race Red Mustang will be auctioned at the 39th Annual Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale Collector Car Auction on Jan. 23, with the help of Richard Petty, the newest member of the Ford Racing family.

DEARBORN, Mich., Jan. 19, 2010 – For the first time ever, American's favorite muscle car will pace 'The Great American Race.'

For the first time in 40 years, a Ford Motor Company car will be pacing the field for the NASCAR season-

opening Daytona 500 when the 2011 Mustang GT, powered by the all-new 5.0-liter V-8 engine, officially starts the race on Feb. 14 at Daytona International Speedway.

"Having the opportunity to pace America's biggest auto race with a Ford icon like the 2011 Mustang GT is truly an honor," said Jamie Allison, director, Ford North America Motorsports. "And to have the new 5.0-liter engine powering the car will be a great way to demonstrate its power and class-leading fuel economy."

This latest version of Ford's legendary muscle car will be a Race Red glass roof coupe with an all-new 5.0-liter V-8 engine capable of producing 412 horsepower, while delivering a class-leading 25 mpg on the highway.

The one-of-a-kind model will feature a special Daytona 500 paint scheme, Ford Racing suspension, strut tower brace and mufflers, unique painted wheels, and special interior treatment, including specially branded lit sill plates.

The 2011 Mustang GT Daytona 500 Pace Car model is one of only 50 special editions that will be built and sold to the public.

"Everybody loves Mustang," Allison continued. "That was evident last year from the fan reaction when we announced it was going to be our new model in the NASCAR Nationwide Series starting later this year. This is just another way to showcase a true American icon in its most natural environment."

The last time a Ford served as pace car for the Daytona 500 was 1970 when a Ford Torino GT convertible led the field to the green flag.



And while Mustang may be a rookie when it comes to pacing the Daytona 500, its 45-year history is firmly entrenched in racing and winning championships. Mustang captured championships last year in the Grand-Am KONI and SCCA SPEED World Challenge, in addition to leading Robert Hight to his first NHRA Funny Car championship.

Another element that makes this year's pace car even more unique is that it will be auctioned off for charity before the actual race. Later this week (Jan. 23), the Mustang GT Daytona 500 Pace Car will be offered at the annual Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale Collector Car Auction, which is taking place in Scottsdale, Ariz. Seven-time Daytona 500 champion Richard Petty, the newest member of the Ford Racing family, will be on site to help hand over the car to the winning bidder.

All proceeds over the manufacturer's suggested retail price from the pace car auction will go to help cure childhood diabetes through a donation to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

About the 2011 Mustang GT. The new Mustang GT continues Ford's powertrain offensive with an all-new 5.0-liter V-8, which uses advanced technology to deliver 412 horsepower and projected unsurpassed highway mileage of 25 mpg.

The 2011, Mustang GT adds specially tuned Electric Power Assist Steering (EPAS), 11.5-inch front and 11.8-inch rear vented disc brakes, and an enhanced suspension featuring an improved rear lower control arm and stiffened rear stabilizer bushings.

For enthusiasts, a Brembo brake package, with larger rotors and

calipers from the Ford Shelby GT500® Mustang, unique 19-inch wheels and summer performance tires, is offered; new fender badges herald return of the 5.0-liter engine.

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Recardo Ashton's 1990 GT Welcome To The Daily Driver!

**By Jeff Ford
Photography by Tom Rounds**

The starter makes that late-model whine and the engine catches then fires. Even in the wee hours of the morning, it satisfies one's heart and soul to hear that noise. The garage door opens, shaking the rails and creaking ominously nothing

unusual there. You click the automatic overdrive into the "R" gate and back out into the early morning light. Blasting free of the neighborhood, you scoot onto the highway and stop, then start, and then stop. For excitement, you have a uniform truck decide that where you are is where he needs to be now! Welcome to the daily driver.

Looking at Recardo Ashton's 1990 GT, it would be easy to surmise that the red convertible is a show car. What is most stunning is the fact that Recardo drives the slick little pony to work every day. In Tacoma. In Washington State. Where it rains? a lot.



What prompted our intrepid road warrior to buy the GT was that he likes the late-models. This becomes obvious when you check the list of other Mustangs he has owned. At present, his stable houses an '86 LX 5.0 convertible and an '88 LX 5.0L sedan. What's funny about this purchase is that Recardo didn't want it. Candice, his wife, saw the red GT on a used car lot on her way home one night and told Recardo about it. 'I said that I didn't want a red car,' Recardo admitted to us. But Candice persisted. While chatting with another Mustang fan, she managed to pique Recardo's interest with mention of the white leather interior. Before seeing the car, Recardo thought that white would give him free rein he could repaint the exterior any color he wanted. That was until he saw the car.

What sat under the blazing used car lot lights was a red GT with a Cervini Mach 1 styled hood and platinum Ultra wheels. Recardo

confessed, I could never paint that car another color and when I do paint it, it will be red!? Obviously, he has changed his mind about the color red. What Recardo bought, other than the eye-assaulting color combo, was a mildly modified Mustang that packs the 5.0 H.O., automatic overdrive, and all the other GT amenities. As with most used late-models, the car has seen some additions by the previous owner. The careful placement of a 3.73 rear gear and shift kit for the AOD make this car geared for quick starts when that uniform truck tries to bust a move on you. A choice sprinkling of Kenny Brown suspension parts make the GT capable of getting you away from that same truck by quick, precise lane changes.



Yep, this GT is a warrior of sorts seeing things that would scare the daylights out of the average show car. That's OK, because day in and day out Recardo and his red GT are out there keeping the dream alive.

Article & Photos Courtesy of Mustang Monthly

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I am responsible for reporting to MCA Headquarters all CVMC members that are also members of MCA. There is a clip board on the table with an alphabetical list of CVMC members that are MCA members. It is important that I have your correct MCA number and the correct expiration date so please verify and/or correct your information. If I have missed anyone, please fill in your information at the bottom.

National Capital Region Mustang Club has applied to MCA to have a National show sometime in either 2011 or 2012. They will be requesting help from our club. More details will be available after the request is approved by MCA.

Mark your calendars for August 13-15, 2010. That is when

MCA comes to Virginia Beach for a National show. It is an easy drive, just over 100 miles from Richmond. If you are thinking about going for a day or so, you may want to consider making hotel reservations now.

The 2010 National and Grand National Show schedule has been published on our website under Forums:

Local MCA Regional shows and cruise-ins in the Richmond metro region are covered in the Galloping Gazette and on our website.

Dave Dickey

MCA Regional Director

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CVMC - MCA Gold Card Judges

1964½-1966: Don Lane

1967-1968: Dave Dickey

1965-1970 Shelby's: Rick Noctha

CVMC – MCA Certified Judges

1966: Karen Lane

5th Generation: Tony Hall, Dave Dickey & David Lythgoe



News From The Car Club Council

The General Assembly is in town and already over 2000 bills plus resolutions have been filed. All the bills of interest to hobbyists are listed on the www.vaacc.org website – just click on legislation.

This year there are a lot of bills on texting while driving, DUI, carbon and greenhouse emissions, gasoline tax, transportation funding and of course vanity license plates. Early in the session two bills attracted the attention of car hobbyists.

The first bill was HB 462 that would have made it illegal to sell any

exhaust part that would produce more noise than a factory part. If this bill would have become law it would have made all aftermarket exhaust parts illegal, would have shut down all muffler and exhaust shops in the state and would have made it impossible for antique hobbyists to replace their old exhaust parts. Only factory exhaust parts would have been allowed to be sold. This was not a good bill for anyone. I'm sure the delegate who sponsored it wanted to eliminate loud exhaust systems but this was not the way to do it. The bill was placed in the House Transportation Committee and was eventually withdrawn.

Again this year a bill was filed to allow Virginians to only display one license plate on cars and trucks. SB 519 was introduced – like past one plate bills – to save money. In 2002 a study found that going to one plate would save almost \$2 million the first year and then about a million each year afterwards. All one plate bills have failed because the police are against them, toll monitors take photos of front plates, security concerns and the state is just not interested in saving that "small" amount of money. SB 519 was killed in the Senate Transportation Committee.

Along the lines of the exhaust bill there is a growing movement of the "right to repair". People want to be able to repair their own vehicles or take them to a shop that has cheaper labor rates and parts than a dealership. Previous right to repair bills have been left in Congress and never voted on. You can learn more at www.righttorepair.org.

The EPA has announced new, more strict ground level ozone standards. These new standards will put many localities into non-compliance. This is more government interference into our lives for little gain. These new standards could mean more vehicle emissions testing, mass transit requirements, restrictions on the use of small engines such as ATV's and lawn mowers and even chemical restrictions on things like charcoal lighter fluid. Every time we achieve the

ozone target, the EPA moves the target and it's not fair to people.

More bad news for supports of global warming – a 2007 United Nations report on glaciers in Himalayan Mountains was found to be copied from an article that appeared in the popular science magazine New Scientist in 1999. In other words no research was done on the glaciers – the UN people just copied something written in a magazine. The UN admits the error but the UN's climate chief is not going to resign because of this. Makes you wonder why the UN is pushing global warming and climate change.

**CCCCV President
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Upcoming Car Shows

MCA Events

March 26-28, 2010

31st Annual Gulf Coast National Mustang & All Ford Show Pensacola, Florida

Hosted by Gulf Coast Regional Mustang Club at Pensacola Interstate Fair Grounds. Event hours are 8am-5pm with check-in running Friday 8am-5pm ; Sat 8am-11am. Registration fee is \$50.00. Come join us for the 1st national show of the year. The 31st Annual Gulf Coast National Mustang & All Ford Show promises to be bigger and better than ever. In addition to our show there will be several area car clubs hosting shows adjacent to our site so bring all your non Ford buddies along with you. See our web site for additional information and activities. For more information, call Nick Kirby at 251-978-2012 or email nlkirby@gulftel.com or visit the website at <http://gcrmc.com>.

For more information on other MCA Car Shows and Events please visit the Mustang Club of America's website at... [Mustang Club Of America](http://www.mustangclubofamerica.com)

Non-MCA Events

POSTPONED TO February 6th, 2010 12th Annual Polar Bear Run

This is a mystery run so no one knows where they are going until they get there. We will leave the Valero gas station (23002 Airport Street, Petersburg, VA 23803) at the intersection of Route 226 (Cox Road) and Route 460 in Dinwiddie at **PRECISELY** 8:30 AM on Saturday January 30th. If you show up at 8:31 be sure to look for the taillights in the distance. We will take a ride to a small town where you will be able to see a shop full of interesting stuff. And I have a wonderful luncheon buffet set up for us in another town. It will all be over by 1 or 1:30 including lunch and you'll only be about 50 miles from Richmond. This is going to be a good one so sign up today by going to www.double26.com/pbr12

February 12th – 14th, 2010 48th Annual Festival of Rods & Customs

The East Coasts Biggest & Largest Indoor Rod & Custom Show is Known Up & Down the Coast for its Unique and Unusual Trophies and Laid Back Atmosphere. The Location is at the Showplace Exhibition Center 3000 Mechanicsville Turnpike, Richmond, VA. It has easy access to the Show Place on Rt. 360, Mechanicsville Turnpike, just off Rte I-64 East of Richmond, VA. Presented by Asphalt Angels car club with lots of Auto Parts and Accessories from vendors located on the East Coast.. The club is active members of the N.H.R.A., N.S.R.A., and Car Club Council of Central Virginia. Be sure and register early if you wish to enter you pride & joy or be a vendor. The number of spaces fill up quickly, as anyone that has attended will tell you. For more information Phone Number: 804-225-8877 or Web Site: www.asphaltangels.net or Mail Asphalt Angels, Inc. P.O. Box 8528, Richmond, VA. 23226

March 13th, 2010
Richmond Region AACA 1st.
Annual Winter Swap Meet and Car
Corral

Saturday, March 13th, 2010 9-2, Old
Farrington Fire Hall off route 33
Ashland, VA Contact George Field
(804) 752-6384

March 27th, 2010
1st Annual Prince George High
School Car Show

7801 Laurel Springs Rd. Prince
George, VA 23875, Proceeds to benefit
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April 3, 2010 12pm - 4pm Registration
\$20 day of the show Early Registration
(by March 14th) \$15 Student Vehicles
\$10 No fee for spectators Participants
ballot determines 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in
the following 14 classes: Cars: 1. Pre
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1970-1979 5. 1980-Present Trucks: 6.
Pre 1976 7. 1976-Present Student
Class: 8. All makes and models
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Corvette 11. Mopar 12. Street Rods
13. PT Cruiser 14. Motorcycles
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