

The Central Virginia Mustang Club - Recent Trip
CVMV Attends 35th Mustang Show
By Herb Hudson

On Thursday morning April 15, 1999 seventeen club members met at Bermuda Square Shopping Center prior to departing for Charlotte Motor Speedway to attend the 35th Anniversary of the Mustang. The gang consisted of myself, Jim Clements, Don and Karen Lane, Richard and Brenda Jones, Debbie, Steve, and Rachel Shaver, Lonnie and Joan Tucker, George and Linda Cosier, Mike and Donna Young, Mike and Maureen Rowe. We pulled out at 10 am. The weather was not good for show cars and not everyone that took a car for show an enclosed trailer. Since it did rain on the way down, trips had to be made to local K-Mart store for car wash buckets and time spent at the hotel car wash spots. Other than poor weather going down we had a very delightful trip.

We stopped and had lunch at a Cracker Barrel which I believe everyone enjoyed and then made one stop for the trailered cars to fuel the tow vehicles. Friday, the first day of the show was very windy--to say very windy is putting it mild. We almost were blown away, but at least it did not rain. There were plenty of mustangs of all makes and models for everyone to see, I don't know how many were actually there but some one after the show will probably have that number. It goes without saying that there were really some nice cars on display and some of them belonged to our club members. I did not stay past Saturday and since I am writing this while the trip is still fresh in my mind I don't know how our club members fared in the competition but I'm sure some one will supply this information also.

Mike Young took his Boss 302 out onto the track for a few laps and I believe he may have taken his wife Donna with him because I heard someone say they heard a woman's scream coming out of a blue Boss 302 coming off the fourth turn. Anyway Mike said it was an experience of his lifetime.

I don't want to take commenting on individual cars because there were so many, but I do want to mention, I notice a yellow 64 1/2 convertible that had a strange look about it so I spent some time

trying to figure out what gave it that look. It had dual exhaust so I assumed it was a V-8. Wrong, it turned out to be a 6-cylinder with 13 inch wheels which accounted for the strange look and it also had a split exhaust manifold to make the dual exhaust.

Jimmy and I left on Saturday morning and stopped at Dennis Carpenter's place on the way home. Let me tell you I was really impressed with his place. A real nice lady by the name of Martha spent about two hours showing us around the place. She said that they had 14,000 different parts in stock. The place is really spread out over quite a few acres and at least 5 or 6 large buildings. What really surprised me was the number of parts that are manufactured there. He is not just a distributor of parts. His son Daniel has started a mustang part business. He had a display set up at the car show. Jimmy and I watched 1965 and 1966 vent window frame gaskets being made from an actual former Ford Machine. He also has a museum located on the same grounds open to the public and it's free. There were about 25 automobiles there and some of about everything else the you could possibly think of related to the auto industry plus other things, for example clocks. He had a large collection of motorcycles mostly foreign but a few Harley's and Indians. There were six 1974 East German bikes still in wooden shipping crates. I know that there are some people around who own Cushman Motor Scooters but Dennis Carpenter I believe has just cornered the market on them. He had hundreds of them plus bicycles and motor bikes. He is also a Cushman Part. I really wish this place was closer because it would make a good club trip. If you happen to be in Charlotte pay it a visit.

Look forward to the 40th!!!

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"Oh, Don't get excited! It holds
the Spare key to his Mustang!"

Central Virginia Mustang Club March 3, 1999

President Kenny Fischer called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. There were two new members present, Bill Kidd (65 Coupe) formerly known as "The Chevyman" and Dusty Young with a 66 Coupe, which he has driven 10 inches. Club members in attendance wished birthday greetings to those celebrating their birthdays in March.

Membership report was not available. George Cosier reported the beginning balance of \$1673.61 with deductions of \$23.31 for telephone, \$90.00 for St. Patrick's parade, \$116.83 to Kenny Fischer for 3 newsletters, 20 flyers, and stamps, \$83.87 to Office Max, a deposit of \$233.00 representing \$108 dues and \$125 for the refund of the Christmas party deposit. This left a current balance of \$1592.62.

Paul Oliver, National Director, had sign-up sheet to volunteer a couple of hours to assist at the 35th Anniversary, April 15-18 in Charlotte. MCA will have a tent where you may renew your dues or join (forms will be available.) The Mustang Museum will be located in one of two cities, Atlanta or Orlando. The final announcement may be made at the celebration.

Kenny Fischer listed the following shows: the 35th Anniversary at Charlotte, April 15-18, Tennessee Valley in Oak Ridge, TN, May 28-30 and Gloucester on May 29 at Ware Academy. Next were Parades and Cruises and Carroll Lipscombe announced the St. Patrick's parade on March 14 and the Azalea parade on April 24. Participants for the St. Patrick's need to meet at the K-Mart on Glenside at 12:00 noon, and those driving in the Azalea parade will be meeting McDonald's at the old DMV.

Nellie had club merchandise and asked for funny stories and/or articles for the newsletter. Brenda had an assortment of refreshing beverages and door prizes. At this time, Brenda announced that she would be vacating this position, as she will no longer have the time due to her recent election to a regional position in the Moose Club.

Kenny Fischer announced a new sponsor, Batteries Plus, which carries a full line of batteries from those for personal use to automobile. As a CVMC member you may receive a 10% discount by showing your membership card when making purchases. Batteries Plus is located 10070 Midlothian Pike. Kenny advised that the state of Virginia refused to authorize a state inspection sticker for 99 Mustangs due to nonadjustable high beams.

At this time, our guest speaker, Randy Dance of Malco of Virginia, spoke on the MALCO products and the new 4000 sq. ft. building that is in progress. The family owned business will be located behind Southside Speedway and will provide space for you to do your own work. In addition, they may be seen every Wednesday at 9:00 p.m. on BLAB-TV.

Meeting arrangements were established for two upcoming events, trash pick up and the cruise to Fred's Car Museum. David Lythgoe announced a judge's meeting on March 10 at 7:30 in the same meeting room at Richmond Ford.

With no other business to discuss, the members watched a video on the SVT Cobra and Lightning.

The meeting ended at 8:52 p.m.