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From the President's Desk

by Tom Sipes

Greetings fellow Mustangers, As I write this I am in the sunshine state of Florida. Carol and I have been visiting with our daughter and grand daughter in the central part of the state after spending a few days on the gulf coast. I have seen many Mustang convertibles and 99% of them are top down. Now those are my kind of Mustang drivers. Makes me wish I had my vert here instead of at home, covered up, but of course we could not have brought along the golf clubs or very many extra clothes for that matter! I do plan on getting my top down time in on July 14th for the Three State Cruise In to White Oak Lake State Park. I hope a lot of you will join me on this cruise as we meet up with members

from the Four States Mustang Corral club and the Red River Mustang Club. This will be the first time the clubs have tried anything like this so come on and be a part of history in the making.

I missed seeing everyone at the June meeting due to travel plans but I hope to see all of you in July at Grady's. Please remember to bring any door prize items or goody bag stuffers [to] the meeting. I also want to encourage each of you to consider what part you will take in the operation of our regional show in Hot Springs in October. We have a place for all who will volunteer to help, from parking cars to judging, from registration to clean up after the show and everything in between.

Oh, and speaking of judging, we plan to have a judging class during our social at Maumelle Park in August. We did this last year and it was well received by our members. Our club is fortunate to have some MCA gold card judges who are knowledgeable in several of the year/class Mustangs as well as an overall background in all model year Mustangs. Here's your chance to add more to your Mustang hobby by learning what goes into judging your car at shows and being able to participate in the process at our show and other shows you attend. There's always a need for qualified judges at most car shows you attend.

See you at the meeting!

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June 14 CAM meeting minutes

by Secretary David Green

Vice President Randall Davis called the thirteen members attending at Grady's Pizza, Little Rock to order at 7:04 PM. The May meeting minutes as published in the June *Pony Express* were approved. Treasurer Jelaine Davis gave her report.

The membership approved ordering 50 club ball caps at a

price of \$6.00 each. Forty-five pre-orders have been taken. David Green will contact Warren Walker so Walker can order them. [this has been done—ed.] Anticipate 6 weeks or so till delivery. Treasurer Davis had mentioned to Green earlier that she was running out of CAM windshield decals. None have been bought for at least 6 years. After Green

made a motion, with a second, the club approved ordering what we have to. A general discussion followed concerning the October 7 Regional Show (article). Door prize was a Mopar T-shirt won by Green in a number guessing contest. Will make a good cleaning rag. Club will meet in Perryville on July 29th for a cook-out (article). Adjourned at 7:55.

Special points of interest:

- Regular CAM monthly business meeting at Grady's Pizza, West 12th St., Little Rock Thursday July 12. Eat starting around 6 PM; meeting at 7 PM
- Sunday July 29: Perryville, AR informal cruise Sonic 1 PM. Hamburgers @ Steve Collin's see page 3

26th Annual Regional Mustang Show news

by David Green

Quite a lot has been happening in June concerning our Regional show on October 7.

Randall Davis, VP and Show Chairman, was the one in charge of the meeting due to President Sipes' absence. The majority of the meeting discussions revolved around the show. Several motions were made and approved by the membership: We will order 66 trophies plus 6 specialty awards. These are all we will have; we will not "borrow" awards from members and reorder more for the members later at additional club expense ever again. The trophies will be

made by Discount Trophies of Little Rock. The 90-100 dash plaques will probably be made up by Rallye Productions in Wisconsin. 2006 President Warren Walker has deferred to 2003 President Dale Mashburn for Mashburn's choice of a theme car(s). Mashburn has not had a car featured yet. This car featuring has become a CAM tradition as a way of rewarding the immediate past president for his dedication and service to the club. The 2004 theme was a special 40th Mustang Anniversary design.

Also discussed were ways to streamline the tallying and ranking of awards for the show results. We really get hung up here some years. Show Committee Chairman David Green called a meeting for June 26 to brainstorm ideas for the "backroom". Roberta and Warren Walker graciously hosted the meeting at their house, serving hamburgers and *spicy* hot dogs with fixin's. Also attending were Mike and Chicita Pate, and VP/SC Randall Davis. Roberta and Chicita excused themselves when the meeting started. After a two-hour meeting, the solution is

both innovative and simple. We are going to have the car owners completely fill out the judging sheet header themselves. They will post it under the windshield wiper along with the regular registration number card. The judging teams will locate the cars they are responsible for by the windshield placard number. The judging sheet will be there; if it is not, the car has already been judged. Master sheets will be made up for each Master class of cars. The cars will be ranked in order by lower to upper classes as well as earlier to later models. (We already do this.) This will be for smooth award announcements as well as publication information for the *Pony Express*.

We might alter the traffic flow. For sure we will block the south dealership entrance. We want only one way in. We might use the service lane entrance instead of the main driveway. This would have the advantage of not having to loop cars around after having their picture taken (assuming the picture lady shows). Every car will have their picture taken, because our club gets

\$1.00 per car. Owners are under no obligation to buy a picture.

We will retain the practice of stationing knowledgeable members on the curb to greet and assign classes to show participants. We will also keep using the new, simplified 2005 120/140 point judging sheets. Registration will direct participants to fill out the top of the judging sheet themselves, as well as the disclaimer form.

The majority of the awards will be assigned to the majority of the expected car mix. The Mustang classes will probably be 40% 65-73; 20% 74-04; and 40% 05-08. This mix has been observed all the way from show-and-shines to national shows. We are not discriminating against owners of 74-04s, this is just real world factual numbers. Our award mix must represent predicted reality, but we reserve the right to change things around on show day for the betterment of the show and competition. We will try to keep away from ties as much as possible. All this and more should help us to give out the awards on time.

"We have never intended to give an award to everyone in the show. It's all about the competition and improving the breed". — David Green

Three States Cruise-In and a show addendum

by David Green

CAM members interested in caravanning to the Three States Cruise-In on July 14 will meet at the Cracker Barrel restaurant in Arkadelphia, Hwy 7 exit, at 7:00 AM to eat breakfast. Caravan leaves for White Oak Lake State Park at 8:30 AM. A planned restroom break is scheduled for Prescott. We are supposed to

meet the Texarkana and Shreveport clubs at White Oak SP at 10:30 AM. Mustangs are preferred, but it is open to all classic cars and rods. There is no charge to participate; the three clubs are splitting the cost of the pavilion. This is the first time ever this has been done. It should be a fun event.

CAM needs to appear with a large number of cars. Remember the rain date is July 21. See the flyer this issue for details.

Addendum to Texarkana, TX show May 12:

Warren and Roberta Walker campaigned their 1992 Feature

Car convertible. In addition, Ron and Sharon Baker attended with their 2004 Roush 440 A. Both the Bakers and the Walkers won second place awards. Remember folks, we can't report it if no one tells us about it! Send in those show results before the 23rd! Thanks!

Current happenings

Long-term member Jerry Oldridge underwent surgery on or about June 20. The plan was to repair 2 hernias and remove the gall bladder.

According to a forwarded e-mail by Charlotte Fason, the doctor found a gallstone the size of a golf ball. This complicated matters as well you might imagine. They postponed the hernia surgery and concentrated getting the spilled bile out of the abdominal cav-

ity. Jerry had to spend the night in the hospital. His wife Eloise reported that Jerry was very sore and somewhat tired when he got home.

A follow-up email stated that Jerry was still pretty sore on Saturday the 23rd. But he could move around standing up straight. Some of his Mustang buddies came over. Jerry held court from the recliner. They talked cars and parts. Eloise says that perked Jerry up

a good bit. She says that many folks have called and came by to check on Jerry. They deeply appreciated the concern and the prayers.

Get well soon, Jerry!



CAM support staff

It has been a while since we have ran this column. These folks work behind the scenes to help keep you informed about the club.

Jelaine Davis: roster, labels

Dustin Weems: webmaster. He posts the *Pony Express* and the flyers on the website.

Steve Collins: keeps the calendar up to date on the website. E-mail him show dates at: collins@arbbs.net

Since he's retired now, he needs something to keep him busy.

Phillip McColey of Southern-Reprographics, Inc. is our publisher of the *Pony Express* as

well as the flyers, business cards, etc. Be sure to call Phillip at (501)372-4011 in Little Rock for all your printing needs. He sure helps the club out.

Deadline for submissions is the 23rd of each month. Contact David Green, Editor via one of the ways listed on the inside

back cover. We need show info such as telling us about a show. If you attended, let us know all the particulars. David would rather have 20 results of the same show than none at all. Don't assume someone else will send in the results. Thanks!

Central Arkansas Mustangs club notes

Some of you may not have gotten the June *Pony Express*.

Due to Jelaine Davis' computer being in the repair shop, her mailing label list was out of date. David Green did the May labels with the most current label file. But then David's computer blew the

power supply and motherboard. The files were on the hard drive, but could not be accessed for awhile. Due to the unusual dual breakdowns, the June labels were mostly a best guess. Now Jelaine's computer is fixed and David has accessed his hard drive with the most current program.

Everyone should get this issue. David felt like we may have been about six short on our mail-outs. Remember you can access the *Pony Express* online at www.centralarkansasmustangers.com

And it's in color!

Sunday, July 29th: CAM informal cruise. We will meet at Sonic on Highway 10/9 at Perryville at 1:00. We will cruise around some, then meet back at Steve and Melinda Collin's house in Perryville for a hamburger cookout. For more info, contact Steve at collins@arbbs.net

