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Mustang Tales

Newsletter of the Reno Mustang Car Club

Upcoming RMCC-Sponsored Events (Next Three Months)

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February 10
Tuesday

RMCC monthly meeting.
RDW Automotive, 1186 Telegraph Street, Reno
Board meets at 6:30 PM, general meeting at 7:00 PM

February 19
Thursday

Quarterly Wax-n-Shine of the '65 Mustang
the club sponsors at the National Auto Museum.
Gather at the Museum at 5:30 PM, dinner afterwards
at Bertha Miranda's across the street.

February 21
Saturday

Goofy Bowling at Grand Sierra Resort. Meet at Bowling
Center at 2:00 PM for a fun filled afternoon.

March 10
Tuesday

RMCC monthly meeting.
RDW Automotive, 1186 Telegraph Street, Reno
Board meets at 6:30 PM, general meeting at 7:00 PM

March 21
Saturday

Dinner and social gathering at the J.T. Basque restaurant
in Gardnerville. Cocktails at 4:00 PM, dinner to follow.

April 13
Tuesday

RMCC monthly meeting.
RDW Automotive, 1186 Telegraph Street, Reno
Board meets at 6:30 PM, general meeting at 7:00 PM

For more information concerning upcoming RMCC-sponsored events
contact Terry Mulcahy, Activities Chairman
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Check out the new ad for Summit
Racing developed specifically for
Mustang Tales on page 17.



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President's Message

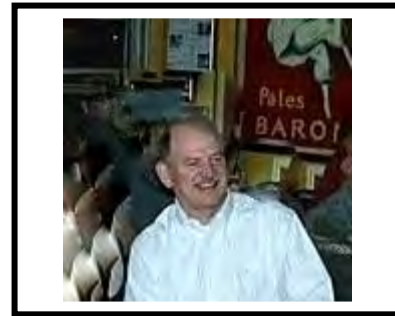
Joe Wyatt, RMCC President

Wow, what an honor to be elected President of the Reno Mustang Car Club! In my initial President's message I'd like to first thank our outgoing, and now past President, Ron Wheeler. As you know from Sid's article in our last newsletter, Ron and Diana have truly been an inspiration for our club. I would like to extend my thanks and gratitude for their past (and future!) efforts on behalf of the Reno Mustang Car Club.

I'd also like to congratulate our three newly elected officers joining me on the Board: John Shields (Vice President), Barb Stapleton (Secretary) and Raul Caceres (Sgt. At Arms). I'm confident that they will do a great job and help RMCC continue our community support as well as provide opportunities for us to enjoy our Mustangs! Welcome back to our appointed officers: Shirley, Bonnie, Chris, Sid, Judi, Terry, David, Gary, and Maya – I couldn't do this without all of you! I also would like to

thank Cindy Lavan for stepping up and volunteering to fill our vacant Publicity Chairman position. And of course, I also couldn't do this without my wife Fran who puts up with me.

I'm looking forward to 2015 and all the memories we will make and the new friends we will find. It's almost time to get those Mustangs out of the garage and back on the road! Happy New Year!



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www.renomustangcarclub.com

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Amendment to Bylaws

Contributed by: Joe Wyatt, RMCC President

Section 7 of the RMCC Bylaws outlines the procedure for amending the Club's bylaws. As stated in this section: "The officers of the Board, or 15 active members in good standing, by written proposals submitted to the Secretary, may propose an amendment to the Bylaws. Upon such proposal being made, a copy thereof shall be included in the monthly newsletter before the next meeting of the members." Proposed amendments to the bylaws have been prepared and are distributed to the membership along with this issue of the newsletter. The amendments will be reviewed, discussed, and voted upon at the February Club meeting. Please review these amendments.

Coffee Clutch Info

Contributed by: Sid & Judi Gesh

As you know, the monthly coffee clutches have been suspended until the weather improves. In the meantime, we are scouting for new places to meet for coffee and breakfast/pastries. If you know of a place in the Reno/Sparks Carson City area that would make a good place for a coffee clutch, please contact us and we will check it out. The criteria we use:



- Bakery or coffee house that serves pastries and/or light breakfast. Restaurants would be OK as long as we can sit together and they understand that we will mingle for an hour or so after we have been served.
- Parking for a group of up to 30 member cars.
- Open at 9:30 AM on Saturday and capable of promptly serving a group our size.
- Adequate *indoor* seating for 30+ people in cold weather. Late spring and summer, an outdoor patio with tables and chairs along with some indoor seating would be OK.

As in the past, Judi and I will personally visit each establishment recommended beforehand at 9:30 on a Saturday to check out the facility, the parking, and assess their ability to serve a group as large as ours - all arriving at much the same time.

Restomods 2015 Online Registration Open

Online registration for Restomods in Reno 2015 is now open. Restomods in Reno (RIR) is the premier Ford Mustang event held in Northern Nevada and is hosted annually by the Reno Mustang Car Club. The event is open to all years of Ford Mustang and all other Ford-powered vehicles. So-called “show” cars are not required for attendance at our event. We have designed this gathering to be enjoyed by all enthusiasts of Mustang and Ford vehicles. It always proves to be a good time for all Ford car enthusiasts to get together, socialize, and learn from one another about our respective rides.

Restomods in Reno 2015 looks to be as good if not better than last year. Once again the event will be held at the Peppermill Hotel Casino in Reno. We look forward to another very successful show. Mark your calendars – June 5, 6, and 7 and plan to attend. Online registration can be accomplished at www.restomodsinreno.com.



www.RestomodsinReno.com
www.RenoMustangCarClub.com

High Five Tour Planned

Contributed by: Raul Caceres

This will be the sixth year of the High Five Tour driving across the nation, covering 27,000 miles, 48 states and 150 cities. This year Col. John Folsom will no longer be involved with Mustangs but, even better, the organization will use 2015 Ford Explorers and F150 trucks. These vehicles have been modified with special hand controls for our severely injured warriors to drive. The theme this year is “MOBILITY IS FREEDOM.” Col. Folsom has pledged that at the completion of the four month tour the moneys collected will be used to build 100 Explorers or F150’s.

Both of the red, white and blue vehicles will run together and be here in Reno/Sparks from June 21st, Sunday until early the 24th, Wednesday. We are planning a car show at Summit Racing on Sunday with many other exciting locations to visit for the remaining days. In the future we will advise our members of our scheduled events and hope that many of you can join us along the route and show off RENO MUSTANG CAR CLUB support. To date I have Cindy, Sid, Darold, Joe, Fran and Betty assisting me in search of places to present the vehicles. We are attempting to add to our local sponsors of Summit Racing, RDW and Capital Ford who have donated thousands of dollars to HFT. The Reno Mustang

Car Club has already donated for 2015 hopefully our own members will personally dig deep. Since we have two vehicles along the route we hope to have our convoy of Mustangs along. For our members wishing to join Darold, Joe and myself we invite you to take a “back seat” in the Explorer or F150 and assist with the donations and visitors.

Col. John Folsom along with the 13 to 15 of us drivers are very excited about this year’s program. The intent to help over 100 of our military families is just awesome.

Keep'em Clean

In case you missed this post on Facebook, one car enthusiast has decided to share his secret to clean the wheels on his ride. I wonder what his/her wife/so has to say about this method? Makes you wonder what they use to clean the tires ???



**An appropriate
street sign
spotted in
Colonie, N.Y.**

**Notice which car is
on top!**

What Do You Mean “Its Gone?”

An interview with Club Member Harold Moody

Harold and Mary Moody have had a couple of car-related experiences that few of our members ever have. First of all, a little about this couple. The Moody's have been members of our car club since 1995. Harold retired from the grocery business after forty years of work starting as a box boy in a grocery store and working his way up to a regional manager for Raleys. He met Mary while managing a Bel Air market store in Sacramento and they soon married. Both Harold and Mary subsequently went to work for Raleys Markets. Harold was transferred to Reno in 1987 to become the district manager for Raleys and the couple decided that Reno would be a nice place to retire to. So it was. The Moodys have four children, seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

The Moodys have been very active members of our Club. They attend almost every RMCC meeting and you will see their faces at most Club shows and events. Over the years Harold has often been called upon for car show judging, and has served as Sergeant at Arms, show parking manager, and Publicity Chairman. Mary has been Historian and very active with the car show raffles.

In his younger years, Harold owned a 1967 Mustang coupe. After many tickets, he decided that it was time to get rid of it. The Moody's are now the proud owners of an all original '66 Mustang convertible. They purchased the car at a Silver's Auction at Hot August Nights in August of 1994. The car is painted Springtime Yellow with black interior, 289 V8 engine, automatic transmission, power top, and the original AM radio (which still works). In 2004 Harold turned to Dave Thompson, one of our Club's seasoned “motorheads,” to rebuild the engine and rework the front end. Like many of our members, Harold has called upon the mechanical skills of Ron Wheeler and his crew at RDW Automotive for small repairs and maintenance over the years.



Now, about those experiences. First of all, the Moody's cherished '66 Mustang convertible *was stolen*. Coming home from work one day in August, 1995 they opened their garage door to find the Mustang missing. Further inspection revealed that they had also been robbed of many other “quick-grab” possessions. They reported the robbery to the police, fully expecting to never see or hear of their Mustang again. As Harold put it, he thought the car was on a ship headed for Japan! Much to everyone's surprise, the car was found abandoned in Minden twelve days later. It was dirty, out of gas, and had a dead battery. The Moody's would later learn that the Mustang had been stolen by a couple of young people who used it for a lengthy joy ride around the area. Fortunately, with the exception of a front-end that was knocked out of alignment and damaged speakers, the car received no significant damage.

The second unusual experience shared with me was the opportunity to meet Carroll Shelby. In November, 2002 a local charity group contacted the RMCC to inform them that they were conducting a charity chili event at the annual Reno Chili Cook-off and desired a few Mustangs from the club to appear as a backdrop because Carroll Shelby was attending. Harold was one of the members who responded to the request and came home with a picture of him with Mr. Shelby and a signed autograph on the glove box door of his Mustang.



Today the Moodys remain as one of our Club's most active members. In addition to participating in Club activities, they enjoy ocean boating and fishing in their 20 foot boat, traveling in their motor home, and performing volunteer work – Harold with SAVE (Senior Auxiliary Volunteer Effort), a volunteer organization of the Reno Police Department, and Mary with the Reno Assistance League benefiting children and seniors in need in the area. Their association with the RMCC has brought them many years of enjoyment meeting with other car enthusiasts, attending car shows and events, and the fellowship of friends – new and old.



**2014 Christmas Parade
Victorian Square, Sparks**



Say It's Not True . . .

Contributed by: Sid Gesh

To support my role as Editor of Mustang Tales, Judi and I are constantly looking for Mustang/Ford information that would be interesting to our members. In addition to reviewing most of the major car magazines in publication, we also scan the Internet for items of interest – Judi does most of this work. Recently we came across a piece that may be very troubling to many of you. According to the Internet site “Horsepower Kings.com” Ford is preparing to discontinue their V8 engine beginning in 2017. That’s right, no more V8s in the future. The Internet publication claims that Ford is bowing to the pressure of the EPA to introduce vehicles that meet the federal CAFÉ (Corporate Average Fuel Economy) standards and manufacture more fuel-efficient cars.

We all know what the EPA is and are familiar with its relentless drive for cleaner air in this country. The Feds introduced the CAFÉ standards in the auto industry in support of this goal. The CAFÉ standards require the auto manufactures to meet an average fuel economy standard of 39 miles per gallon for cars, and 30 miles per gallon for trucks by 2017. The auto manufactures plan to meet this goal by building smaller, more fuel efficient vehicles; reducing the weight of its current models (i.e. aluminum alloy components on the 2015 Ford F150 pickup); and improving the fuel efficiency of the engines in its current models. According to Horsepower, it looks like part of Ford’s strategy to achieve the standards is to stop equipping its new models with V8 engines: <http://horsepowerkings.com/sources-ford-to-discontinue-v8-engines-in-mustang-f150-after-2018/>

I should point out that the elimination of the Ford V8 engine appears to be a strong rumor at this point in time. In conducting an Internet search looking for sources to collaborate the Horsepower Kings.com article, all I could find was blogs discussing the issue. Recently Dianna Wheeler found a post that indicates that Ford has no intent to discontinue the V8 engines: <http://www.carscoops.com/2015/01/ford-official-we-will-not-drop-v8-from.html>. What’s the truth? I’ll let you review these posts and decide for yourself. If this rumor proves to be correct and you want a new, V8-powered Mustang in your garage, you may want to buy it soon!



**2014 Christmas Party
Pinocchio's Bar & Grill, Sparks**



Membership Notes

Contributed by: Bonnie Moffett, Membership Chair

Here we are in 2015 already and it's time to start our membership drive. We had a great 2014 setting a record with 105 memberships and 135 cars. We hope to top that this year. Please join me in welcoming new members Tim & Ann Gessey from Reno, NV who own a 2001 Bullitt.

So far we have registered 39 members with 57 cars. For those who haven't renewed their Club membership, please do. You can download a copy of our membership application from the Club website (www.renomustangcarclub.com), or use the membership application that is included with this newsletter.

As is the custom, the annual RMCC Participation Award was presented during the Christmas party. The winner of the award for 2014 is Gary and Dottie Wittmuss. The Wittmusses have previously won the award nine times since 2002. Congratulations Gary and Dottie.



I would like to take a moment to explain our points system to members new and old. Our Participation Points are awarded for any participation by members in various club and non club related activities throughout the year. The end result for the member with the most Participation Points is the presentation of a plaque engraved with the members name that they keep for display for a year along with free membership for the following year. Points are awarded for participation regardless of whether events are RMCC or other events. For example, if you attend a RMCC club activity such as our Automobile Museum Wax and Shine, you would receive 10 points. If you attend Battle Born Mopars Car Show at Deer Park, you would receive 20 points for participation in a judged show. It does not matter if a show or event is designated as an RMCC activity or not, you will still receive points for participation. The idea is for the RMCC club members to be out there having fun and representing our club while simply doing the things they love to do. Points are also awarded

for serving on committees, writing an article for the monthly newsletter, as well as bringing in new members and donating raffle prizes. When in doubt write it on the sheet and you will most likely be awarded points. You may also nominate others for points if you feel they have done something to earn them.

The way we know what you have done each month is by putting it on the sign in sheet at the monthly meetings. If you are unable to attend the meetings, please send me an e-mail or keep a list and make certain to get it to me no later than November of that year with a list of all your activities. Not having internet access or an inability to attend meetings does not mean you cannot qualify for the participation award. My e-mail address is RedHawkDesigns@sbcglobal.net.



Check out
the age of
the cars . . .

RMCC Contributions to our Community

One of his last official duties as RMCC President, Ron Wheeler presented donations to local charitable organizations in our community – organizations our Club members voted to support. Pictured below are pictures of the Club's presentation of \$500 to the Special Olympics and another \$500 donation to Washoe County Senior Services.



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 (* Indicates elected positions)

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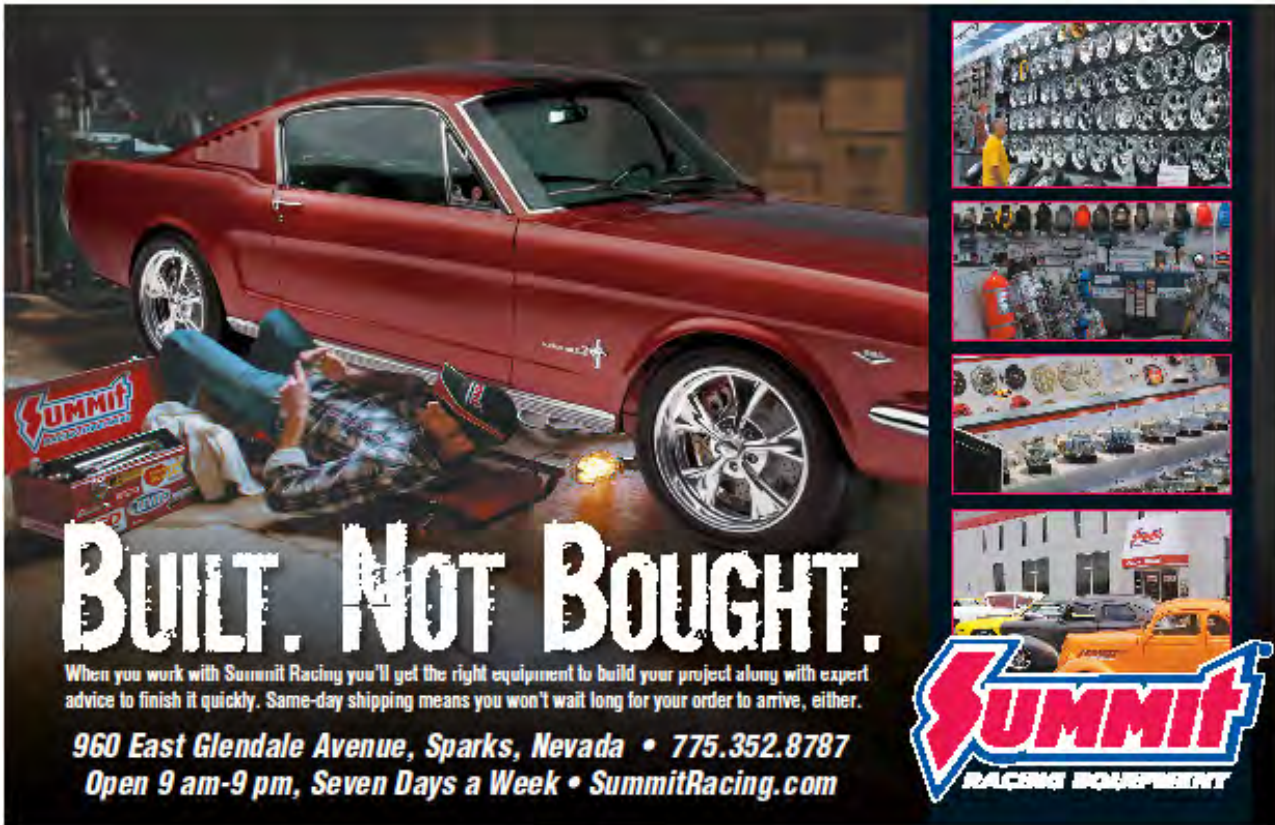
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MCA MEMBER NUMBER: _____

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COMPLIMENTARY CAPITAL FORD MEMBERSHIP

** IF 2015 dues are paid before December 31st 2014, there is a \$5.00 discount. NEW memberships accepted after July 1 are half price.*

MUSTANG OWNER (I own or have financial interest in a Ford Mustang)

MUSTANG ENTHUSIAST (I have interest in Mustangs and wish to support purposes of RMCC)

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

If Family Membership – SPOUSES NAME: _____

FAMILY MEMBERS (under 18 living at home) _____

STREET: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE(s): _____

E-MAIL: _____

Mustang(s) currently owned (use back for additional room)

YEAR	MODEL	YEAR	MODEL

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT RENO MUSTANG CAR CLUB?

MEMBER (NAME) _____ CARSHOW _____

FLYER INTERNET MAGAZINE NEWSPAPER RADIO OTHER

All members and enthusiasts receive a name badge and newsletter. Only a “Mustang Owner” is eligible to run for or hold elective offices and to vote in elections. All members and enthusiasts are encouraged to participate in club functions, although participation is not mandatory. Dues are payable thirty (30) days from the beginning of the calendar year. Membership period is from January 1 to December 31.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: RENO MUSTANG CAR CLUB.

DISCLAIMER

I/We certify that the insurance coverage on my/our vehicle(s) operated at RMCC club functions is in compliance with at least the minimum set forth in the current edition of the applicable Nevada Revised Statutes and the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles Codes. It is understood that the Reno Mustang Car Club shall not be held liable or otherwise responsible for damage or loss to any vehicle or its content at any time.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

**RMCC meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at RDW Automotive, 1186 Telegraph St. Reno, NV 89502, 775-323-1362
Board Meeting at 6:30 General Meeting at 7:00. Call with any questions or see if changes have been made to meeting time and place. Or check online at RenoMustangCarClub.com**

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