

July/August 2014



Mustang Tales

Newsletter of the Reno Mustang Car Club

Upcoming RMCC-Sponsored Events (Next Three Months)

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August 12
Tuesday

RMCC Monthly Meeting:
RDW Automotive, 1186 Telegraph Street, Reno
Board Meeting 6:30 pm, General Meeting 7:00 pm

August 16
Saturday

Rounds Bakery and the Great Reno Balloon Race fundraiser benefiting the Children's Cabinet.
Rounds Bakery 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM. RMCC cars will provide backdrop for the tethered balloons.

August 23
Saturday

Wild Horse Fair in Virginia City. Parade and car display. See event flyer at www.wildhorsefaire.com for details.

September 9
Tuesday

RMCC Monthly Meeting:
RDW Automotive, 1186 Telegraph Street, Reno
Board Meeting 6:30 pm, General Meeting 7:00 pm

September 13
Saturday

Annual Progressive Dinner
(Details to be announced)

October 2
Thursday

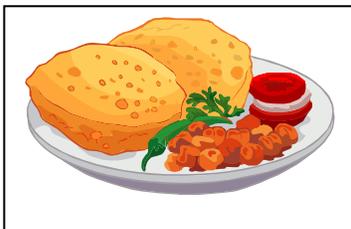
National Automobile Museum Adopt-A-Car wax and shine. 5:30 PM meet to clean car. Dinner at selected restaurant afterward.

October 14
Tuesday

RMCC Monthly Meeting:
RDW Automotive, 1186 Telegraph Street, Reno
Board Meeting 6:30 pm, General Meeting 7:00 pm

October 25
Saturday

Nevada Day Parade
Carson City (details to be announced)



Meeting Menu

With the transition to a bimonthly newsletter, it is no longer practical to announce the menu for the Club meetings. From now on the theme will be "You Bring It, We Eat It." When a special menu theme is appropriate, it will be announced via Email prior to the meeting.

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President's Message

Ron Wheeler, RMCC President

Hey all, crazy days are here with HAN on our door step. Please join us for Mustangs on the Green on Wednesday, July 30 at A & W at 5:00 (all years welcome). They will be bringing in special entertainment so be there, you won't regret it. Thursday we as a club will be doing traffic control in downtown Reno, please wear your RMCC apparel. Many events including Barrett/Jackson will be here again auctioning off many cool cars, as well as many free concerts so just because you don't have a early car does not mean you can't have fun during this event.

Later in this newsletter is a review of the Graeagle trip as well as the great Wounded Warrior Family Support car show. What a phenomenal event, great job to Raul, Betty, Joe and Fran for bringing the car in from Salt Lake City.

Things to think about for the August monthly meeting:

- Charities to donate to this year
- Nominations for Club officers

RMCC Event Survey

Terry Mulcahy, RMCC's new Activity Chairman, is working to revise the 2015 Club's activity calendar. As you know, the RMCC usually schedules an event every month for Club members to get together – different from the monthly Club meetings. For years our members have been participating in many of the same events. We think its time to take a critical look at the event schedule to determine if we want to continue doing the same thing, or add something new. A survey form is provided at the end of this newsletter. Please take a little time to complete the survey so we can ensure that we schedule events that our membership wants to take part in.

Club Membership

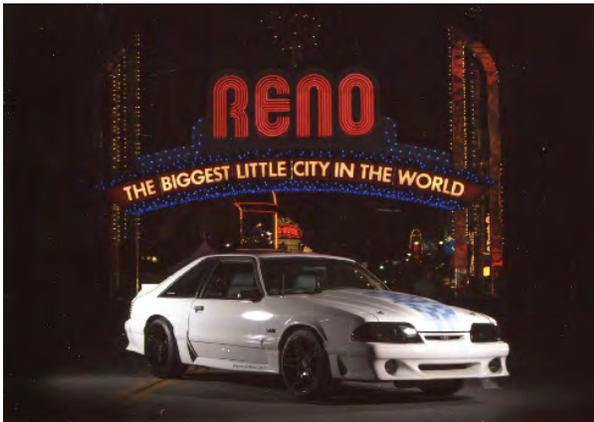
At the end of February, the RMCC has received 91 new or renewing memberships, representing 117 cars. So far this year, 28 new members have joined our club.

Restomods in Reno 2014 – Better than Ever

Contributed by: Sid and Judi Gesh, Dianna Wheeler

Once again the members of the Reno Mustang Car Club came together to celebrate the annual Restomods in Reno car show. This year the show was held at the Peppermill Hotel Casino in Reno from Friday, June 6 through Sunday, June 8. Our Club is known for putting on one of the best car shows in the area, but this year was exceptional. First of all, we set a record for cars registered for the show. One hundred fifty three cars and a few trucks from five states converged in Reno for the show: California, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and Nevada.. Secondly, the venue for the show was outstanding. The Peppermill went out of their way to welcome us and worked hand-in-hand with our show committee to set up the parking area and organize the show events. The Hotel/Casino was so impressed with how well organized our show was and the conduct of our attendees that we have been invited back to their property for next year's show.

This year we added something special to the Pony Trail conducted as part the Restomods Show. Arrangements were made to cruise to downtown Reno for night-time photo's of show cars under the famous Reno arch. Those participating in the Pony Trail received a framed, professional photo of their vehicle under the arch. A significant portion of the fees collected from this event were donated to the Reno Police Widows and Orphaned Children's Fund – a \$1,000 donation.



Special thanks go out to Chris Waddle and the members of his show committee for planning, organizing, and conducting a dynamite car show this year. Many thanks also go out to all the Club members who volunteered to give up their time and energy to work the show. Off course, no car show of our caliber could be put on without the help of our vendors and supporters.

What follows on the next few pages are a few of the pictures that we believe are representative of this year's show. There are many, many more pictures of the 2014 Restomods show on Facebook.

Restomods in Reno 2014



Banquet and Awards

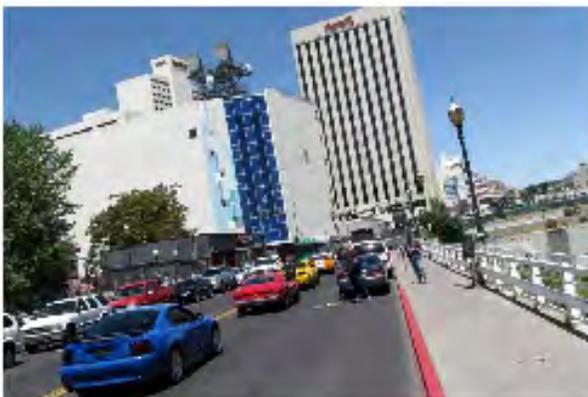


Sixty's fun night!!!



Pony Trail Under the Arch lineup.

- Show Cars & Pony Trail to Virginia City -



What Was That Car?

Contributed by: Sid Gesh

If you were like me, you wondered what the sleek, red convertible displayed in front of the Hospitality Tent at this year's Restomod's in Reno show was. The car turned out to be a 1990 Kelly Python – a car that I have never heard of so I decided to do a little research.

The Python is a relatively unknown car that was originally designed in the mid 60's by Gene Bordinat as a replacement for the AC Cobra. The prototype car, called the Bordinat Cobra, was designed using a new plastic called Royalex, produced by U.S. Rubber Company (now Uniroyal). When Shelby and Ford parted ways the design was scrapped along with the use of the new plastic as Ford did not want another limited production vehicle at the time.



In 1981, Alvin Kelly, felt the need for an open air sports car and found one of the original Royalex Bordinat Cobra bodies and, with the approval of Gene Bordinat, built 4 prototype cars from the Python design. The Python was built using a reinforced Mustang frame with a shortened wheel base in order to balance the car's weight front-to-rear. Inasmuch as the Pythons were to be marketed through Ford dealers, the cars came equipped with standard Mustang equipment and with the option of having any upgrades Ford offered for Mustangs at that time.

Kelly planned to build over 5,000 vehicles, but his company failed after an investor conflict ended financial resources. It is believe that only twelve vehicles were built before the company went under. The Python displayed at our Restomod's show this year stayed in storage for over 20 years and was not street titled until 2013. This Python is the third one produced by Kelly and only seven cars are known to still exist. Alvin Kelly's daily driver Python is reported to be on display in the Ford Museum in Dearborn, Michigan. For more information and pictures see:

news.boldride.com/2013/12/your-ride-1991-kelly-python/40641/
www.motor-auction-news.com/news/00070/kellys-python#.U6DY1j8o_Qw

A Cruise in the Country

Contributed by: Ron Wheeler

We started our trek by gathering at RDW. Dianna and I quickly realized that there was going to be more cars and people than we counted on. The initial head count was 14 with 7 cars and when we were leaving it ended up being 12 cars and 23 people. We left RDW and drove I-80 west to highway 89 north. At that point we picked up 2 more cars and 4 people. With a caravan of now 14 cars we proceeded to Sierraville through some beautiful forest terrain. We then headed west out of Sierraville and up through a mountain road course that was tempting for me to push it, but Dianna reminded me how many cars were depending on me to lead and to be a example of a good driver.



Not too long before we were at Gold Lake. With a stop at the local boat launch ramp and restrooms we were on our way again. Whoops, 2nd mechanical issue on the trip. With a very quick fix (thanks to Bob Moffett) we on our way again. From Gold Lake now on to Graeagle and to Gumbas for lunch. It was awesome to see a nice yellow and black striped A/C Cobra that greeted us as we passed him heading into Graeagle. I kinda expected him to join us, but he didn't. A right turn into Blairsdien and not long and we at our location. Blairsdien is a small community and before we knew it we took most of the parking spots available on Main Street. It was very warm there, so cool refreshments were very welcome.

At lunch we overwhelmed the servers with 27 hungry people showing up at one time. The food was well worth the drive as well as the refreshing liquids. Dianna and I brought prizes for special questions such as what year the school in Sierraville was established, the highest altitude we traversed on the drive (no one was able to answer that one), the population and altitude of Sierraville, and the number of times we crossed over the Truckee River (answered correctly) and a special prize for the best hard luck case. More to come at the next meeting, hope more people can join the next cruise.



2014 High Five Tour

Contributed by: Raul Caceres



On Saturday July 19th Joe & Fran Wyatt and Raul & Betty Caceres drove to Salt Lake City to receive this year's High Five Tour Mustang, a 665 HP GT500 Shelby Mustang. At 6 AM Sunday we began the 500 mile drive back to Reno. With Raul driving and Joe as his First Officer navigating we were greeted by 20 RMCC Mustangs at Exit 23 off I80 (it just so happens it's the Mustang exit). Nevada Highway Patrol Trooper Barbara Stapleton lead the way in her patrol car followed by a number of RMCC member Mustangs to the Summit Racing car show in Sparks.

Mrs. Paula Fleming, president of the Blue Star Mothers, organized eleven different military and community clubs to host a car show in honor of the High Five Tour Mustang. Our hosts and sponsor for the WWFS organization provided the space for all the military booths, Hot August Nights and our own RDW. All participants at the show were very impressed and contributed handsomely for the Wounded Warriors Family Support organization. Prior to departure our two sponsors, RDW and Summit Racing Equipment, gave us their contributions. If you all remember, we sold tickets to win the battery powered Ford Cobra car. All 300 tickets were sold and the winner ended up being Fran Wyatt. That's all they need, another car! Hundreds of Reno/Sparks people made donations to the High Five Tour including Mayor Bob Cashell and HAN Director, Tony Marini.



With the weather threatening, we acquired our Reno PD motorcycle escort along with Officer Chris Waddle in his patrol car and hustled with 10 Mustangs to the Aces baseball stadium. Parked in front, we again received a considerable amount of contributions.



Monday, July 21st we were on hand displaying the car in front of the Reno Town Mall while Raul and Darold were on the radio, 101.3 Nevada Matters. Next we were off to the Reno VA Hospital, then a drive up the Geiger Grade to Virginia City. Again NHP Barbara led the HFT Mustang along with 7 other club member vehicles. Not to be outdone, Story County Sheriffs joined the caravan. Again the car was on display for 2 hours, then down the hills with escorts to the Governor's Mansion in Carson City. At the mansion we all received a private tour. Very impressive to view "the people's house" which was built in 1908.

Lastly, the group proceeded to Capital Ford (which is also a sponsor of the Tour). We were met by an enthusiastic sales team and they generously contributed. Manager Tim Milligan was on hand to sign the car and was rewarded with a challenge coin and special purple heart sign. Tim, along with Capital Ford, has been on board the Wounded Warriors Family Support/High Five Tour organization since day one.

Tuesday morning Betty, driving their Shelby GT500, followed Raul in the HFT Mustang down the Sierras to hand off the car to the Golden Hills Mustang Club drivers, Dan and Kirk. Col. John Folsom, the founder of the WWFS, is very impressed by what our community here in northern Nevada has done for the organization.

Be sure to check out the many other pictures of this event that have been posted on Facebook.

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Coffee Mugs
Beer Mugs
Wine Glasses
Folding Chairs



See photos of the sale items at the Club Web Site: www.renomustangcarclub.com

2014

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

RENO MUSTANG CAR CLUB
PO BOX 12453
RENO, NV 89510



Membership type – Please check one in each section:

NEW MEMBER RENEWING MEMBER RETURNING MEMBER MCA MEMBER#

(From last year)

(From lapsed membership)

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP (\$20.00 per year)

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP (\$35.00 per year)

COMPLIMENTARY JONES WEST FORD/CAPITAL FORD MEMBERSHIP

* IF 2014 dues are paid before December 31st 2013, there is a \$5.00 discount.

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: _____ DOB: _____

IF FAMILY MEMBERSHIP – SPOUSES NAME: _____ DOB: _____

ANNIVERSARY DATE: _____

FAMILY MEMBERS & birthdates (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 ENGINE TRANSMISSION EXTERIOR COLOR INTERIOR COLOR

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT RENO MUSTANG CAR CLUB?

CAR SHOW _____ MEMBER _____ OTHER _____

FLYER _____ INTERNET _____ MAGAZINE _____ NEWSPAPER _____ RADIO _____

All members and enthusiasts receive a name badge and monthly 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. **New memberships accepted after July 1 is half price. 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 _____

FOR RMCC USE ONLY: CASH CHECK # AMOUNT PAID \$

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.

RMCC Event Survey

What follows is a list of the RMCC-sponsored events that we have participated in the past. Please indicate your interest in continuing each event.

1. Monthly Coffee Clutch: A monthly gathering of Club members for coffee, pastries, and social interaction.

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

2. J.T. Basque Restaurant. Club members meet for a cruise to Gardnerville and a great Basque dinner. Historically, this has been one of the best attended events.

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

3. National Auto Museum – Wax-N-Shine. The RMCC has adopted the '65 Mustang on display at the museum and has agreed to clean it once a quarter. After cleaning the 'Stang we adjourn to Bertha Miranda's Mexican restaurant across the street for dinner. We are committed to cleaning the Mustang and will continue to do it. In return for the efforts of the few who show up to clean the car, all RMCC members are eligible for free tickets to the museum.

4. Annual Poker Run. Members meet at RDW as the kick-off point for a cruise around the Truckee Meadows. After Run rules and driving instructions are reviewed, members drive off in different directions to try and locate the various stops. A poker card is issued at each stop and the member with the best poker hand at the restaurant at the end of the Run wins a prize.

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

5. Veteran's Hospital Show-N-Shine. This show is conducted as a tribute to the veterans hospitalized at the VA hospital.

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

6. Magic Carpet Golf. Members gather for a round of miniature golf at this course. Dinner follows at Giorgio's Pizza (on premises) after golf.

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

7. Restomods in Reno – RMCC Annual Car Show

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

8. A&W Mustangs on the Green. Show-N-Shine on the grass at the A&W Restaurant on Plumb Land in Reno.

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

9. Annual Hot August Nights Cruise Control. RMCC has historically provided 20+ people to assist with cruise control one night of HAN. HAN pays the Club for our participation.

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

10. Annual Progressive Dinner

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

11. Nevada Day Parade

- a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

12. Sparks Hometown Christmas Parade

- ___ a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- ___ b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- ___ c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

13. RMCC Annual Christmas Party

- ___ a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- ___ b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- ___ c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

14. Go-Cart Racing at the Grand Sierra Hotel

- ___ a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- ___ b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- ___ c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

15. Veteran's Day Parade in Virginia City

- ___ a. Enjoy the event, please continue
- ___ b. OK event, no opinion one way or another
- ___ c. Not interested in this event, let's do something else

Here are a couple of ideas for new events:

N1. **Picnic in the Park**. The idea here is to meet during a warm weather day for a BBQ and pot luck lunch.

N2. **Club Cruise**. We can schedule a group cruise to a not to distance location for lunch or dinner. (Similar to what the members did in a recent drive to Graeagle.

Any other ideas? _____

Survey Responses:

Please bring your survey responses to the August meeting. If you prefer, you can respond to Terry by Email at terry.mulcahy@yahoo.com indicating you preference by event number. For example, If you want to continue the annual progressive dinner, please indicate “10-a.” in your Email.