



The Pony Express

July 2005

Road Trippin'

It was hot and sunny for our road trip to the Kemah boardwalk last month. A group of six Mustangs made the trip.

Soon after our arrival the group decided that lunch was the biggest priority. We found a large table at the Flying Dutchman and enjoyed hearty portions of gulf seafood.

The rest of the afternoon was spent lazily exploring the boardwalk, shops, and watching expensive toys sail in and out of the canal.

One of the highlights of the trip may have been our stop at a convenience store off of I-10 at Mount Belvieu. The store clerks couldn't get over the sight of the Mustangs and were excitedly discussing their favorites.

Rockfest '77

Several members of the club were invited to display their classic muscle cars at Rockfest '77 at Ford Park. The concert was staged as the major scene in a

low budget movie about the music industry in the summer of 1977.

The group of Mustangs included the 69 Mach 1's owned by Todd Quick and Paul Willet, the 70 Convertible owned by the Paine's and the Jones' Shelby Clone. Also invited were several Corvette's of the era and some hot rods.

The bands did a great job of imitating the Rolling Stones, AC/DC, Led Zeppelin, and Pink Floyd. For our role, we were allowed to come and go back stage with access to food and AC.

Road Rally

One of Bob Jones's passions is road racing and rallies. So for our July event he's dreamed up a real treat - an intro to road rallying for the club. Plan to join us on July 23 and have some fun with your car and your family. As always, your Mustang is not required if it is under the weather. See the club meeting notes for more information.

IDIOT SIGHTINGS

I live in a semi-rural area. We recently had a new neighbor call the local township administrative office to request the removal of the Deer Crossing sign on our road. The reason: "Too many deer were being hit by cars" and he didn't want them to cross there anymore.

The stoplight on the corner buzzes when it's safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an intellectually challenged coworker of mine when she asked if I knew what the buzzer was for. I explained that it signals blind people when the light is red. Appalled, she responded, "What on earth are blind people doing driving?"

When my husband and I arrived at an automobile dealership to pick up our car, we were told the keys had been locked in it. We went to the service department and found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the driver's side door. As I watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door handle and discovered that it was unlocked. "Hey," I announced to the technician, "it's open!" To which he replied, "I know - I already got that side."

While walking to my car in a parking lot, I see a woman looking upset near her car. She's unable to unlock her car, as her key fob remote is not working. After she expresses her unhappiness with modern technology, I ask to see the remote, and then use the keys hanging on it to unlock the door. Amazing.

And these folks are allowed a driver's license.

Club Meeting Notes

The club had our most recent meeting on July 7. The following business items were discussed:

Treasury

Derek reported that we have received \$270 in membership dues. Our current account balance is \$256.10.

New Member

New member, Howard Menville joined us at the meeting. The Menville's have a '99 35th anniversary convertible. Welcome, glad to have you join!

Magnetic Signs

Ron Roth is taking orders for the magnetic club signs. He'll be placing the order this week.

Banner

Bob Jones has looked into a 3' x 6' banner. Kinsel will pay for half. We agreed that the club logo should appear as a watermark on the banner. Ron offered to build a PVC frame for the banner. Everyone else offered moral support.

Driving & Dining Event - Road Rally - July 23

Our next club event will be a road rally. The Jones' are going to teach us all how its done. The rally will cover a 125 mile route with a checkpoint halfway. This rally does not require speed, in fact to win, you must drive exactly the speed limit. Our finish destination will be an area restaurant. The rally will depart beginning at 2:00 from the Aflac office (did you expect somewhere else?). So plan to be there around 1:30 to get your instructions. Please confirm your plans with Bob Jones at 751-3522.

Cajun Mustangers

The Cajun Mustangers from Lake Charles will be dining at Tuffy's in Mauriceville on August 20. We plan to join them. Details to come.

Our Show

The club committee met on June 14 to plan the show. We will give trophies for 1st and 2nd place in each class, plus a best of show. All judging will be participant's choice. Classes are as follows:

Mustangs: 64-69, 70-79, 80-89, 90-99, 00-05
Falcons, T-Birds, Trucks, Street Rods, Special Interest, Antique
All vehicles must be Ford Powered! No Chevy Big Blocks allowed.

All members are asked to bring five door prizes. These may come from any source.

We welcome vendors of any types. Breakfast and lunch will be provided by the Tyler County Go-Texan BBQ Team.

The first 75 entries will receive dash plaques.

Boys Haven is our show charity.

Members are asked to distribute show flyers at local auto parts stores, etc. Sue Quick will email out the flyer, but also has printed copies available.

2nd Annual Cruisin' Kirbyville

Saturday, July 16 9AM to at Bevis-Skinner Park (City Park) in Kirbyville. \$20.00 registration fee, poker run in the city limits, burn-out contest, food, games, arts & crafts and live music.

For more information call
Kirbyville Chamber of Commerce at 423-5827
or Ben Cline at 423-6502 or 423-7232

Our next club meeting will be Thursday, August 4, at the Aflac office in Lumberton starting at 7:00pm. The Aflac office is on Hwy 96 in the same building as the Five Point Credit Union. If you need directions, call Bob or Marty Jones at 751-3522.

Club Businesses

AAMCO Transmissions - The Rayzors
Grinnell Computers - Our Webmaster, Kevin Grinnell
Kinsel Ford - Cindy Yohe
Parson Differentials - Cliff Parson
Your business can be listed here