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Updates and Info for Our Club Members

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Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 21st

Location: Giannotti's Country Manor 3118 Pricetown Rd, Fleetwood

Start Time: You're welcome to have dinner starting around 5:30; the meeting starts promptly at 6:30

Carlisle 2021 Is A Wrap!

Organizers confirmed show attendance broke the standing 2019 record with 3241 registered vehicles! The BCMCCI also had what felt like a record breaker, with a lot of members showing up at the tent and hanging out between strolls through the show field. We had good spectator activity at our tent, and signed several new members and renewals. Our location was changed from previous years, but it didn't harsh our buzz one bit. And, it gave us some ideas for next year's Nationals June 3-5, 2022!

At The June Meeting

A total of 35(!) members signed the alibi book. After the Pledge, we proceeded with the meeting and two guest speakers. First was Dana Purvis, representing the JDRF. It was great timing, as the JDRF was the charity benefitted by our June 19th Haldeman Car Show. Our second speaker was Rick Slegel, president of the Hawk Mountain chapter of the Early Ford V8 club. Rick gave a general overview of the show, but also indicated holding the show is increasingly burdensome on the membership due to many of them being elderly. That's the

reason we step up and help them with parking, and this year, we hope to offer a little more help as needed. 2021 sponsor tees were picked up from the screen printer earlier in the day, and members who reserved at the May meeting or ordered online were able to collect theirs, followed by sales to the rest of the members in attendance. We also had club logo mugs and leftover 10th Anniversary shirts available for purchase. Dave Schaeffer won the "Dinner on Us" drawing, and Willy Witman scored a healthy \$76 in the 50/50, only to donate \$60 back to the club. (Thanks, Willy!)

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A Fox In Snake's Clothing

(Adapted From Mustang360)

Ever hear of Melvin A. Kelly? Odds are, the name doesn't ring a bell. Ever hear of the Python roadster? Yea, we didn't think so. Like so many entrepreneurs,



Ol' Mel had lofty dreams, one of which was to craft a sports car inspired by Ford's earlier ideas to hatch a replacement for the legendary Cobra and a have a worthy competitor to the Corvette. That plan fizzled, but Kelly stuck with it. The result was the Royalex plastic-bodied Python, but make no mistake; it wasn't a kit car, and you could buy it from a Ford dealer with a full warranty.

The Kelly body was hung on the underpinnings of the Fox Mustang platform, with a 5.0 and scads of other Ford components. Mel had plans to sell 5000 through Ford dealers, but only 12 were built, with only 7 known left. It was a great idea with lots of promise, but insufficient funding to succeed.



Members Needed To Work July 3rd Show & Shine

The Haldeman show is history, but we have another event just around the corner. The Early Ford V8 club is again counting on us to manage the parking and help as needed on July 3rd. This show has been an annual event for decades, and we're proud to be part of it, and may be taking it over in the near future. If you haven't signed up to help, just show up early the day of the show and we'll find something for you to do.

Carlisle Nationals Winners

Not only did we have a great few days at the show, but we also had some club member names among the winners when the dust finally settled.

Marty Werner/1966 Mustang

1st place: 1966 Mustang (Modified)

David Erb/1978 Mustang II

Celebrity Pick: 1974-1978 Mustang II (Stock & Modified)

Richard Balthaser (Cheryl's) 1998

Mustang GT

3rd place: 1996-1998 Mustang (Stock).

Congratulations, folks!

Club Night At The R-Phils!

We're planning an outing to watch the Reading Phillies and the fireworks that follow on Thursday, July 15th. The General Admission tickets are just \$6 and do not include food. Reserve your tickets by emailing Dan at 19dpete61@gmail no later than Friday, July 2nd.

July Mission BBQ Meet-up

Our fourth Mission BBQ Meet-up is scheduled for Wednesday July 7th! As usual, we'll do a 50/50, hand out sandwich coupons to the first 25 cars, and raffle a Mission gift card!

Board Approves Rally North America Donations

The Executive board agreed to donate \$50 to each of four member rally teams registered for the 2021 Great Lakes Rally. They are Team Muttz (Trevor & Anna Lynne), Team Limer (Glenn), Team Zulu (Bob & Nini) and Team Ugly Duck (Jay & Teresa). This year's charity is Race to Erase MS and the event takes place between July 18th and 22nd.

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W-Code Gold

(Submitted by Jason Eager)

Two Mustang convertibles, one a purple 1969 Shelby G.T. 500 and the other an orange 1970. What makes these cars significant is that they were both ordered as W-codes, meaning they are Super Cobra Jet Drag Pack cars with 4.30:1 rear gears. That alone makes them rare; the convertible tops make them unbelievably rare.

Going into the rarity zone even deeper—the two cars you see here are the only two 428 SCJ Drag Pack W-code 4.30-geared convertibles known to exist. First, about that color.

Midnight Orchid Metallic was a one-year-only (1969) Thunderbird color not offered on the Mustang. The person who ordered the car had just bought a '69 T-bird for his wife and wanted his Shelby the same color for a "his and hers" deal. Like the Calypso Coral Mustang, this Shelby is fully optioned with every available option Ford offered on the Mustang, including rare intermittent wipers but lacking air conditioning.

The 1970 Calypso Coral convertible, which was a "brass

tag" car built for in-house use within Ford for testing, executive use, as a demonstrator, or as a lease. "Normally, brass tag cars are highly optioned cars. They load them down to get exposure and allow them to test all the options."

Do You Have A Reservation?

It's not in showrooms yet (but then again, what is?) but Ford will happily let you build, price and reserve or order your 2022 Maverick. The compact, unibody pickup with a 4.5 foot bed will be offered in the usual Ford truck trims and start just (\$5) under \$20K.



June 19th Haldeman Show Did Not Disappoint!

The weather forecast called for a couple periods of rain that never came, and in spite of a large number of other shows falling on the same day, we had 150 cars (39 of them were members!!) registered! That doesn't count Richard's truck and late arrival Don Hughmanick. The Chinese Auction and 50/50 were both successful and best of all, we officially raised \$1,909 for the JDRE, better than the \$1,003 we stated during the show. The ice cream truck was a welcome arrival, as it did get a bit steamy around mid-day. A couple members also donated blood during the Miller-Keystone blood drive, and Todd Haldeman was beyond ecstatic with the turnout and already committed to 2022! (pics on the next page)



2021 BCMCCI Sponsor Tee Shirts Are Available!

The online ordering option is closed, but shirts are still available for purchase. We will have them at Mission Meet-ups and meetings while supplies last. They feature the "Generations" grille design up front, and all 2020/2021 sponsors in a revised layout on the back! These are the preferred gear for all BCMCCI activities this season! We also have a limited supply of shirts in the exact opposite combination; grey shirt with orange print. All sizes are just \$12. Some sizes are very limited, so don't wait to get yours!



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Joe Eisenhardt and Jason Eager managed to shoot some great pics during the event, only a small sample of which follow. See the complete album on our Facebook page!

Vintage FoMoCo Drag Racing Photos

This Facebook page was mentioned many issues ago, but is so cool, it bears a reminder. It's exactly what it says, and features incredible shots from back in the day, like the following. For those of us of a certain age, these photos bring back fond memories of a simpler, and to some a more exciting era in drag racing.



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