



BLUE OVAL TRACKS

The First State Mustang and Ford Club Monthly Newsletter

"Join us for the ride..."

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GENERAL MEETING

The General Meeting of the First State Mustang & Ford Club will be held on Tuesday, September 1st at 7:00 pm, at Damon's Restaurant on Rte. 13 next to the New Castle Airport.

The E-Board meeting will be held immediately after the General meeting.

TOPICS OF THE MONTH

Fall Sheridan Show

Toys For Tots Cruise

South Jersey Mustang Show (Sept 13th)

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Dave Eastburn

I get asked all the time by friends who are not into classic cars what the attraction is. So I really had to think on this answer; after all, these are mostly people who look at a car as a means of transportation and nothing else. A way to get to the market, the mall, to work or to visit with the grandparents, period. Henry Ford never envisioned that one day people would be re-building the car he had already built and sold them off the assembly line all over again, thus, the start of "restoring." And it is quite an amazing thing, really. Think about this; now that Dynacorn Industries has made available complete body shells, with any number of Mustang parts catalogs (Mustangs Unlimited, CJ Pony parts, etc) you can literally build a car out of a book - if your wallet is deep enough. Not to mention the continuing availability of NOS and junk yard parts. All there needed to be was someone who had the interest and love in this hobby - and there are LOTS of us. So why the "attraction," as I my friend asked? For me, it's about youth; my first car was a 1970 Torino and I loved it, and every time I see one it takes me back. It's also about family memories, as my dad drove some cool cars when I was a kid, and I had an aunt on my mom's side who had a '65 Mustang

convertible. I can still remember riding in it, probably around age seven. And finally, believe it or not, it's a little about comfort and security. When did you ever feel safer and more protected in life than when you were a kid? Mom & dad took care of everything, including getting you there and back again in what we now call...classic cars. So, yea, for me, owning one makes me feel like a kid again, or maybe just reminds me of those days. Either way, it's a great feeling.

Our August cruise at Pike Creek looked more like a traffic jam than a cruise! Wow! With Porter Auto Group holding a tent sale on the site, the cars were jammed in, making for a few close calls. Luckily, no scratches. While we appreciated the crowds, and the cars, we will have to do some brain storming if Porter wants to hold their tent sales hand-in-hand with our cruises. Ruby Tuesday's was, of course, thrilled. Our next cruise is September 5th, and it looks like a go for a "Toys For Tots" cruise as we extend our cruise season into November. That date is Saturday, November 7th. Congratulations to Dave Halliday and Dave Birchmire on the purchases of their new Mustangs; these cars are beautiful. Check them out at the next cruise.

Congratulations also to Charlie Dowd on having his 1965 convertible Mustang selected as fall feature car for our Sheridan show September 27th. Man, that is right around the corner, folks! Trophies? Check. Dash plaques? Check. T-Shirts? Check. Thanks to Rob Campbell for designing a program we can use for judging at the shows now; this will save us money also. And if you have not checked out Rob's fantastic job on our website, please do so. Thanks for everything, Rob! If anyone would like to have their car up on the Sheridan display round-a-bout at the show, please let me know in advance. Thanks to all our new members who have joined up with us in the past few months, you know who you are. Now WE would like to know who you are! Please join us at the next meeting for dinner, drinks, club business and getting to know fellow club members. Most of us don't bite...see you at the meeting. Dave

TREASURER'S REPORT

\$ 1299.77 Kathy Eastburn

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Bob and Mary Lou Hamilton's trip to the Falcon Nationals

Bob and Mary Lou Hamilton with their 1964 Falcon Sprint attended the 30th Annual National Convention of the Falcon Club of America in Dover, on July 16-18, 2009. Some of the highlights of the trip were the chance to drive three slow laps around the "Monster Mile" at Dover's International Speedway along with the opportunity to park on pit road and tour the garage areas, media center and skyboxes.

Friday included a visit to the Air Mobility Command Museum at the Dover Air Force Base. Over 100 Falcons were able to park under the wings of several of the large classic planes from various tours of duty in WWII and wars thereafter.

Saturday included a tech class demonstrating a 30 plus minute conversion of a single to dual master brake cylinder on one of the contestant's Falcon. Voting was also held for the 237 Falcons entered in the competition. Bob and Mary Lou were very surprised at the banquet on Saturday night to find out that they were voted a "Class Winner": in the 1964-1965 Sprint Class at the National Convention.

CRUISE & SHOW SCHEDULE 2009

Sat	Sept 5	Cruise
Sun	Sept 27	Sheridan Ford Fall Show
Sat	Oct 3	Cruise

Sept 13 All Ford/Merc show @ Holman Lincoln Mercury Ford, RT38 Maple Shade NJ, 856-478-4105

Sept 20; Hagley Museum Antique all makes show- 1984 & earlier, 600 cars usually attend!
<http://www.hagley.lib.de.us/>

Sept 27: 26th 1st State Mustang & Ford fall show, Sheridan Ford, Wilmington DE,
<http://www.sheridanfordsales.com>
<http://www.firststatemustangandford.com/>

Oct 17: 4th Annual Car Show on the Monster Mile sponsored by Delmarva Studebaker Club Show 9 to 4pm, BBQ contest in conjunction (all makes)

Oct 17: 9th Annual ups Car Classic – UPS Facility 14841 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, Md. – Registration 8-10am, Show 10am – 5pm. Jim Lanham 301-390-9085. lanham_20716@yahoo.com

Oct 23-25: Ford Fever Classic, Maryland International Raceway, **Mechanicsville, MD**
<http://www.mirdrag.com/>

Oct 28-Nov: 1 Spoiler/Talladega/Winged warrior 40th Anniversary Aero Reunion, Alexander City AL
www.superbirdclub.com

Nov 28-9; 23rd ALL FORD Fall Super Swap, Columbus OH, 740-607-1451,
www.FallSuperswap.com

Check out the pictures on the next page. Nice!



