



April MONTHLY FIRST STATE MUSTANG and FORD CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of The First State Mustang and Ford Club was held on April 1, 2025 at Applebees on Churchman's Road, Newark, DE. The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. and was presided over by Tim Narvell - President, with Michelle Staffone as secretary.

MEMBERS PRESENT: 33 members attended with the following Board Members: Tim Narvell, George Long, Debby Rosko, John Young, Paul Lafferty, John Rosko & Michelle Staffone

MEMBER APOLOGIES: Ed Yaworski, Bob Maass

GUESTS: Tom & Rose Dilworth

Previous General Meeting held on March 4, 2025 minutes were approved, accepted and posted by the E-Board

Consideration of Open Issues:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - TIM NARVELL

- Tim thanked everyone who came out to our general meeting, glad that the weather is improving and beginning to look and feel nicer, glad to see such a large member count in attendance and some new faces too
- National Mustang Day is April 17th, we've scheduled a ride April 19th, we will meet at the WaWa on Rt 299, we will leave from there and travel on Rt 9 to Dover, go to the parking lot next to BWW and meet up with other from the Club, then continue traveling South to the Wheel House in Lewes for lunch, shopping or whatever anyone would like to do, we usually can expect 20-25 vehicles to participate and is fun filled day
- Our Spring Car Show event on May 18th, it will be held at the Aetna Hose, Hook & Ladder Fire Co in the rear parking area, we need volunteers
 - We're going to try something new this year, a committee has been formed, we're hoping to attract more registrants and please both types of show attendees, Judged & People's Choice, a mock attempt will be done at the Spring show to figure out all the details and work out the kinks so hopefully we can do it at the Fall Show, only PC awards will be at the Spring Show, there will still be 30 trophies at the Fall Show, they will just be divided up into different categories
- Website is up and running, it has a lot more and new features, there are still a few small kinks that continue to pop up and are being worked out, if you encounter any issues please be sure to report whatever it is so that it can be addressed in a timely manner

- We're still interested in looking at other events to do outside of car shows, if you have something you're interested in and would like to share, just let us know
 - Tim will be traveling to Yellowstone in August and will post his adventures on the FB page

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT - DEBBY ROSKO

- The spring car show is approaching and we need volunteers, the more we have, the more organized and structured our show can be, an email was sent out to all members asking for help, still waiting for responses, the list of where help is needed is wide open and back ups are always welcome in case someone can't make it, Chloe (& Jim Pearson) will do the 50/50

MEMBERSHIP- JOHN YOUNG

- Membership
 - 84 Members including 9 E-Board, 6 Former Presidents, 2 Life
 - 3 will not be renewing
 - 2 pending renewals
 - 32 not yet renewed
- New Members
 - Tina DiSabatino-Carmean & Scott Carmean, of Wilmington with a 2012 Mustang, 2000 Mustang convertible, and a 2013 Escape - were in attendance this evening

REGIONAL DIRECTOR - ED YAWORSKI (presented by Debby Rosko)

- National shows begin this month. All National shows are now listed in our monthly Newsletter. You can also go to the MCA website for more information
- Paperwork for the Club to receive the President's award for 2024 is in progress
- Fredericksburg show is from 8/29 to 8/31/25, registration is currently open, 6 vehicles are currently confirmed going, the host hotel is fully booked, several Club members have booked rooms at the Hilton Garden Inn Fredericksburg, the address is 1060 Hospitality Lane, Fredericksburg, VA
- Ed Y. mentioned the new updated Club Website, several issues still exist
 - scripting errors are being identified and corrected
 - please use the contact form if you encounter any errors, this will help in rectifying the issues
 - content continue to be added
 - site traffic has been increasing monthly

WEBMASTER - BOB MAASS

EVENTS COORDINATOR - PAUL LAFFERTY

- The new event list was sent out. Please send any shows, you're interested in seeing listed, with full info by the 25th of the month so it can be added to the current event list
 - thank you to everyone who has sent him info on current and upcoming events already
 - please check out events and reach out, maybe find others who are interested in attending same, different groups can attend together to represent FSMFC at many events separately, as we can't all be in the same place at the same time, every time
- He brought a bundle of Cruising Magazine to anyone interested in having a copy

NEWSLETTER - JOHN ROSKO

- We're in need of articles from our members about themselves and their cars, we want to get to know you and your passion for your vehicles. If you own a Mustang, your article also has the potential to appear in the MCA magazine, Mustang Times, Michelle Staffone, our Club Secretary, has been really pro-active in helping to get feature car articles, she may contact you
 - Raul Gonzales Jr. was the feature car in this month's newsletter, he has a 1965 Mustang Coupe
 - Tom & Rose Dilworth also have a really nice article in the Vice-President's section which you should definitely check out

NEW BUSINESS

- Charlie Van Leuven, mentioned the Matchbox Road Museum & Collector Shoppe, he's the curator/tour guide
 - located in Newfield, NJ, hours are by appointment only, they are on Facebook, have lots of 1 offs and preproduction vehicles
 - they are having an open house event on 4/25/25 and open house/car show on 4/26/26, from 9am-4pm, grass field, food trucks and is a FREE event
- John Young showed off his, new to him, 2009 Fender Ford Mustang Telecaster guitar. It's one of only 250 made and is signed by Jack Roush and the Wood Brothers of Nascar, he's been looking to acquire one for some time and though he doesn't currently play, is willing to learn. He also found an awesome Mustang guitar strap to go with it
- Tim read a thank you letter that he received from New Castle County Hodgson Vo-Tech School for the Club donation to a senior student in the auto tech shop meeting the criteria for the excellence award
- Tim mentioned Sean's House, our Charity pick for this year. Michelle went and toured the place and spoke with the Director and gave an overview to the E-Board. He was very impressed on the work and support they provide to youths in need

- Guest Speaker: Tom & (Rose) Dilworth, owners of a 1994 Mustang Convertible, spoke about his award winning car. He started out by thanking his wife, Rose, who is very much involved in the whole process and at all the shows right there with him. They started their quest to get a grill medallion in 2005. In order to do this, you must attend at least 10 judged shows and accumulate points, a total of 20pts is required and you will only receive 1 or 2 points at a time for each show attended, it took them 10 years to receive the 1st medallion, and the biggest challenge was traveling, literally driving all over the U.S. There is literally a class for every type of vehicle and encourages everyone to attend a National Show, even if just for the experience, most are 3 days and you learn a lot about your car. He spoke of the unique experiences and meeting and making friends all over, that last. You are competing against yourself and the judging system, not the guy next to you, the more modifications, the better, as they like to see owners who are really into making their car special. Expectations of your own and judges nit picking will make the show experience your own, you will receive the judging sheet, which is helpful in learning what to do and not do, how to clean, etc. Some will receive Gold-Silver-Bronze award with a plaque just for attending. He mentioned there are lots of styles of awards, like the Antique Auto medallion, Platinum Award (given to the highest point car in each class), a Conservator Award, which is white & for participation after

receiving the blue Grill Medallion you earn for points, and the big one is the Conservator de Elegance Award and they are continuing to add even more. He mentioned that they want you to continue to come back to shows, year after year, to use your vehicle as an example, especially, if it's received multiple awards. He displayed many of his awards he's received, including a very unique one shaped like a buffalo and had challenge coins inserted. Having a mentor to help you along the way, and for encouragement is also very helpful. He thanked Debby Rosko and the Club for asking him to come and speak. He took a few questions as well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * Door Prizes Winners - Bill Ansley, Tom Dilworth, Bill Pearson, Caitlyn Young, Ceal VanLeuven, Bruce Henderson, Tina DiSabatino-Carmean, Jeff Thompson, Sharon Wachter, Gail Bowersox, John Rosko, George Bowersox
- * 50/50 Winner - John Rosko \$27.00

FUTURE AGENDA

- * National Mustang Day Recap
- * Spring Car Show

* Upcoming Events

The next general member meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on May 6, 2025 at Applebee's on Churchman's Rd, Newark, DE.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m. by Tim Narvell - President