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FLMC held an 'extreme' March 2012 meeting

The March 2012 FLMC meeting was a field trip to Extreme Indoor Karting in Fort Lauderdale, on March 7. The event was attended by 18 of our members, 13 of whom raced. There was a club race, which had both rookies and extreme karting pros. After the race the attendees enjoyed a buffet style dinner featuring Cuban cuisine. It was a great time for all.

Here is the breakdown of the stats of the club race:

LEADER BOARD

1	Mark 289	8	Red Devil
2	Bad Bob	9	Last Place
3	Fin Flyer	10	Johnny B. Goode
4	Shelby Guy	11	Crazy Cuban
5	Rough Rider	12	Flying Mustang
6	Marty Mc Superfly	13	Mustang Marci
7	B-52		



The Extreme Karting crowd

From the Editor's Desk...

A reminder that *The Pony Express* has its own e-mail for all submissions to the newsletter. That email address is: flmcpnyexpress@hotmail.com, please make a note of it. Of course, I will also gladly accept submissions to the newsletter in person.

As a reminder, the deadline for submissions to *The Pony Express*, will be no later than the Sunday of the last full week of the current month, for the following month's newsletter.

Thank you,
Bruce H. Solov, Editor

FLMC Member fondly speaks of Ted Parkhurst

by: Ralph Wethli, FLMC Member
Photo courtesy of: The Miami Herald



On March 1, 2012, the viewing and memorial was held in Miami for our late and distinguished past-president, Ted Parkhurst. Parkhurst served as FLMC President from 1999-2002. FLMC Member, Ralph Wethli fondly recalls one of many memories of Parkhurst.

As I meditated on his passing, it occurred to me that as we pass through life, friendships can blossom and mature like the welcomed fruit on a tree. Continuing with the fruit tree metaphor; we know that some fruit just falls into your hands while others require an effort, a reach or even time to mature.

My memory of Ted is that our friendship was very easy picking. It was at a car show where I was one of the judges and he entered a limited production Buick called the Grand National. Another gentleman had entered an identical car to Ted's and both were on my judging assignment. They were both very clean and very competitive. It was after much examination; that I had to give the other gentleman's car the higher points. Much to my relief, Ted agreed and a friendship blossomed. Ted was driving a 1970 Mustang Convertible at all the other shows that I attended with him, and I never saw the Buick again. Ted's Mustang was a show winner.

I saw Ted for the last time at the annual Silver Springs Show in January 2010. We joked and talked cars, but never gave a thought to the frailty of life.

The memories are all good, dear friend. Rest in peace. Every time I see a 1970 Mustang, I will think of you.

Annual club get-away slated for June

This year's getaway is slated for June 22-24, 2012 to Mantanzas, which is in the Fort Myers area. This is a non-car event. We have a group rate with the Harbor House at the Inn hotel. Their number is 866-998-9250. As of March 15th, there weren't many rooms left so please reserve soon. We typically spend one day out on pontoon boats. Any questions, please contact Marci.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Carrie Barineau - April 1
Gary Smith - April 10

Feature: Member's Car Spotlight

Each month, *The Pony Express*, will showcase the car of a current member as well as the story behind that member's car.

The editorial staff of *The Pony Express* regret to report that due to circumstances beyond their control, there is no car featured for April 2012.

Stay tuned for next month's Member's Car Spotlight. If you would your vehicle spotlighted, please let the editor know.

Dues or Lose: A friendly reminder

All membership dues are due by the end of April 2012. If renewal dues are not paid by then, your FLMC Membership will expire. "This is the last month to pay dues before membership expires," said FLMC Treasurer, Marci Stringert. Dues are \$20 and they can be paid via PayPal ® (there is a link available on the website) or you can mail a check. There is also a link on the website for the renewal form as well. If you have any questions, please e-mail Marci.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 1, 2012: 15th Annual Mustangs & Mustangs Continuation Show at Richard Petty Speedway, Orlando. \$45/\$50 DOS - includes 4 parade laps and starting line photo, 30% discount for Richard Petty Experience & Ride along. Click [here](#) for more information about the event. Click [here](#) for Disney World information and group rates. NOTE: Please see note above regarding the Tuscana Resort.

April 1, 2012: Dream Car Classic Downtown Hollywood, featuring pre-1980's classic cars and 1981-2012 modern & custom cars. First Sunday of every month through June. \$10 registration 8 - 10 am at 20th Ave & Tyler Street.

April 1, 2012: Festival Flea Market Mega Car Show. Pompano Beach.

April 5 - 8, 2012: Barrett-Jackson. South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd, West Palm Beach 33411

April 14, 2012: Club Targeted Event - Sugar Festival Rod Run - Clewiston.

NOTE: Please contact Barbara Gauch ASAP if you wish to attend and reserve a room at the Clewiston Inn, \$89.99/night. Most members stay overnight or for the weekend. However, this show is drivable in a day if desired.

NOTE: Barbara has hotel information for anyone going up Friday night. For those driving up same day, we will meet early Saturday morning (time TBA) on Route 27 at the Everglades Rest Stop.

April 15, 2012: My Candles of Hope Charity Car Show. 11-4. Pompano. South Florida Hot Rides.

April 22, 2012: Cheetah Open Car Show 10am - 4 pm. Hallendale.

April 22, 2012: Kruisin Krome Car Truck & Motorcycle Show. 8 - 4. Miccosukee Resort & Gaming. Cash Prizes, Entertainment, Vendors, Bikini Contest. Pre-registration before April 18 \$20, DOS \$25. 500 SW 177th Ave, Miami 33194. www.miccosukee.com

May 6, 2012: Dream Car Classic Downtown Hollywood, featuring pre-1980's classic cars and 1981-2012 modern & custom cars. First Sunday of every month through June. \$10 registration 8 - 10 am at 20th Ave & Tyler Street.

May 19, 2012: 10th Regional Mustang & Ford Show. Jacksonville Mustang Club. Jacksonville Landing. Check in 7 - 10 am, Judging 11 am - 2 pm. \$20 Pre-reg/\$25 DOS with MCA discount \$5.

As a reminder, FLMC Monthly Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month, starting at 7:30pm at:

Maroone Ford of Fort Lauderdale
1333 North Federal Highway
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

Meetings generally last about one hour, for more details and directions, visit our website.

Monthly Mustang Factoid

In 1979, Ford offered Indy 500 pace car replicas, in commemoration of the Mustang's second appearance at the Brickyard. They were powered by either the 5.0 liter V8 or Turbocharged four-cylinder, which only featured a four-speed manual transmission, while the V8's were offered with the four-speed or an automatic.**

***The Complete Book of Mustang, Every Model Since 1964 1/2*, by Mike Mueller, p.187, 2010 MBI Publishing Company.

