

THE PONY EXPRESS



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FLMC Members Score at the Mickyard

Two members received trophies

- Mark Yonge's '08 Shelby GT 500 Convertible won 3rd Place in the Daily Driver Class
- Mark Patterson's '69 Boss 429 received Grand National Silver Award in Courcours Driven



Mark Yonge wrote ... I registered for this event way back in January, 2013 for Daily Driver Class for Display only when the first announcements came out.

Two of my daughters and their families joined us, driving from Jacksonville and Jupiter. Irene and I drove up Thursday afternoon and participated in the Pony Trails to Mount Dora Friday Morning. George Toth and his family

also drove the Pony Trails. That was fun and some of the drive was on back roads that were beautiful. Best was driving around Lake Apopka approaching Mount Dora. I'm guessing there were maybe 50 - 75 cars in the Pony Trails.

We left Mount Dora shortly after 2PM and arrived at the Petty Speedway just after 3PM. After waiting in line for the very slow check-in, had an official picture taken, we got parked in our assigned slot around 4:30-5PM !!! Not much time to clean the love bugs off, but did get them off with water and Windex. No washing of cars was allowed on Disney Property, other than wiping down with Maguire's Detailer type of cleaner.

Saturday, we went back to the speedway and spent a number of hours cleaning the wheels and inside wheel rims, etc. etc. etc. even though we were not scheduled to be judged. Irene and I cleaned and prepped the car before and after arriving at the Resort, wanting to have the car ready as if it was to be judged.

Shortly after Noon, we walked over to the food trucks and met George Toth, his Daughter and John Springert for lunch. When we returned to the car later, some of the owners that were parked by us said that a Judge was looking for us so he could judge our car. That surprised us since we did not sign up for judging, and disappointed that we were not there. After returning to the resort late afternoon, we received a call from one of the Judges asking if we would still like to have our car judged. Of course, we said yes and he asked us to meet him at the Speedway around 8:30AM Sunday. When I got to the Speedway, I received a call from another MCA Judge asking us to bring our car back over to the Coronado Resort where MCA had set up a judging area for cars that had not been judged Saturday. I drove it over and sure enough the car was judged by a MCA certified Head Judge!! He commented that my car was as good as it gets for a Daily Driver with nearly 30K miles on it, and the only thing he could find was a piece of lint on the rear seat floor matt!!! Irene and I kept asking ourselves how we lucked out to be judged and wondered what it was all about.

Irene and I did not attend the awards Banquet but did attend the awards ceremony, mainly to see if any of our FMLC club members won - never expecting my name to be called for an award—thinking that the Judging was a courtesy judging for Display Only. We kept expecting Frank Incorvaia's name for sure to be called for his special class — as we knew the only thing his Judge found wrong with his car was a piece of pine needle that happened to fall on his car!!!!

Naturally we were pulling for all the other's from FLMC to win also. When my name was called for a 3rd Place in the Daily Driver Class, we were shocked!! I still can hardly believe that my car received a trophy in a MCA Grand National Show!!!.

We spent a lot of time and energy, and sweat – lot's of sweat - in cleaning, polishing as if we were going to be judged. Clearly all that hard work paid off, and the surprise trophy award was the icing on the cake!



Mark Patterson's Mickey

While the Mustangs were at the Mickyard

The fillies went country

Submitted by: The Fillies

Are women smarter than men? You be the judge.....

Saturday morning at the Mickyard dawned early and HOT! The men set off for the car show boarding the Disney bus to center field of the Richard Petty Speedway. They spent their day in the blazing hot sun, cleaning their cars, standing in endless food lines, and scavenging for bottled water to drink while waiting for the MCA Grand National Judging. AND ... after standing in those long food lines, some of the men didn't even get lunch! Most of them came back to the hotel sun burned, tired, hot, hungry, frustrated and very thirsty. Oh, they looked at cars, too.

The ladies (Marci Stringert, Carol Wechsler, Shirley Lyons and Lori Patterson), on the other hand, had a nice leisurely day enjoying each other's company. Though we got a couple of scoffs from the men, as the place we chose was an hour away, we set off on our adventure. We took an air conditioned truck ride through the beautiful Florida country side to the Jolly Gator Fish Camp in Geneva, Florida. (http://www.thejollygator.com) Amazing how much undeveloped land central Florida has between Kissimmee and Geneva, it was a beautiful ride.

Once we arrived in Geneva, we of course had to take a "tourist missed turn" and venture down a side road. This side road was true country, right on the St. Johns River and in the middle of a deer hunting area. Back on our route, and back across the river to the fish camp we arrived right at lunch time. What a cool place ...



We enjoyed a delicious lunch overlooking the St. John's River in an air conditioned restaurant. We didn't have to wait in line and we were served ice cold beer and wine! As we were eating our lunches several airboats were launched on the river. What an incredible sound!

After lunch, the four of us went on yet another adventure...we took a ride of our own ...



Yep, we did it we went on an airboat ride on the St. John's and Econ Rivers. The surrounding fields were also flooded from the rain, so we rode over those as well. We learned about the local estuaries, flora and indigenous wildlife ... we saw the splashing's of a manatee,

flocks of birds taking flight, a spoonbill, and a cow eating a tree in the middle of the water?!

We returned to the Jolly Gator and had another refreshing beverage and headed back to the hotel, cool, refreshed, relaxed and educated!



Our trip, by Carol Wechsler ...

As a first time attendee at a national Mustang show, I knew there were many fun events to be enjoyed. I looked forward to lounging at the hotel, the bar-be-que, & meeting all the Mustang fanatics - but sitting in 95 degree heat on an asphalt parking lot is not one of them. I was a tad worried about spending 8 hours in the heat with only the port-a potties to give me shade.

Then I was rescued! Lori, Marci & Shirley were planning an outing and I invited myself to tag along. We drove about an hour into the boonies northeast of Orlando, shared stories about our mothers and sang along to the radio. We arrived at the camp (really a restaurant) and I was pleasantly surprised that it was air conditioned. We dined on gator bites, deviled crab and pulled pork sandwiches, all washed down by some tasty adult beverages.

While we were eating, Lori scouted out the airboats parked outside the restaurant, and booked us a trip. I am a Florida native but have never been on an airboat. I was excited and the ride was great. We scooted over the swamp, ending up on a lovely river. The moss covered trees drooped into the water and we saw some gorgeous birds. When the engine was off, it was so quiet. We only booked a half hour ride, fearing anything longer would be too long. This was a mistake as it wasn't long enough we all agreed an hour would have been much better. Oh well, next time!!

Then it was back to the Coronado Springs resort to join up with the rest of the club. We came back cool & relaxed, which is more than I can say for the car show attendees!

Do you think the ladies win on this one??

Mickyard After Hours

Disney, Polynesia, Magic Kingdom - the fun never ended

It's Saturday night after a long, hot day at the car show at Disney's Richard Petty Speedway and what do Mustangers do? Well they go to the Disney Polynesian Resort for the tropical island show and fireworks across the bay.

Our family outings are always a blast! Never mind the big people in the front row blocking our view

And what better way to close the Mustanger weekend than to spend Sunday evening with Mickey Mouse at the Magic Kingdom and ride some rides.

Fun Ford Weekend 2013

FLMC Received Club Participation

Submitted by: Gene Barineau

On Sept 14, 2013 the fun ford weekend was held at the West Palm Beach International Raceway. Included in this show were: jet dragsters, drag racing, a mustang triathlon, and a swap meet.

Several members attended (Mark Patterson, Albert Salvadore, Wayne Harlow, Robert Taylor and Gene and Carrie Barineau)

Not only did the club win second place for club participation, Wayne received 2nd place for his Mustang!!

A good time was had by all and we stayed busy all day.

SAVE THE DATES!!

November 2, 2013 – The Stringert Hallowedding November 10, 2013 – The FLMC annual picnic at TY Park in Hollywood will feature a Shrimp Boil this year March 8, 2014 - The FLMC Open Car and Truck Show at AutoNation Ford

FLMC Annual Picnic

Sunday, November 10, 2013 11am - 4pm (or so)

It's that time of year again!! Our annual picnic is just around the corner. We will be at TY Park again this year in pavilion #9, the same as last year. We are looking at some menu upgrades (a Shrimp Boil this year!!) and lots more people.

Main courses will be provided by the club. Each member is asked to bring a covered dish. Non-members are asked for a \$10 donation to cover the food costs and are also welcome to bring their favorite covered dish!

FLMC Open Car Show

Saturday, March 8, 2014

Our show will be here before you know it.

Please help us start soliciting local businesses for donations for the silent auction. A donation letter is last page of this newsletter.

Here are some ideas...

- Gift Certificates:
- Restaurant
- Liquor Store
- Sporting Goods

- Grocery Store
- Pub
- Bar

- · Items:
 - · New Tools
 - · New Car Parts
 - Cleaning Supplies
 - Bottles of Wine
- · Bottles of Booze
- Etc.

Offer to put a business' marketing materials in our gift bags if they give a Gift Certificate or Item. People are always looking for the "What's in it for me".

Remember this show is for a great cause. The kids can sure use our help.

UPCOMING EVENTS & SHOWS

October 5, 2013 - Countyline Dragway Miami-Hollywood Speedway Reunion Bracket & Quick 8 Championships.

October 5, 2013 - First Baptist Church of Fort Lauderdale Community Car Show. 10 AM - 3 PM. AACA. FREE.416 NE 1st Street, Fort Lauderdale.

October 6, 2013 - Miami-Hollywood Speedway Reunion Car Show. Carolina Ale House. 2618 Weston Road, Weston. 11 AM - 3 PM.

October 12-13, 2013 Festivals of Speed Miami, 11 AM - 5 PM.

October 12, 2013 - Jake's Wayback Burgers Classic Car Cruise Night. 5 PM - 9 PM. Coral Springs.

October 12, 2013 - Candles of Hope Save the Boobies Annual Charity Car Show. 11 AM - 4 PM. Xtreme Indoor Karting 5300 Powerline Road. \$20, \$25 DOS. Dash Plaques to 1st 100 vehicles + \$10 play card.

October 24, 2013 - Where the Cars Are. Las Olas Blvd. AACA. 20 Years & older. 6 PM - 9 PM. Contact James or Sherry 954-771-0729.

October 26, 2013 - Tampa Mustang Club Ford & Mustang Round Up. Tampa. Lazy Dayz RV Park.

November 2, 2013 - Teamsters Annual Car Show & Picnic -Markham Park

November 2, 2013 – Stringert Hallowedding

November 3, 2013 - Veterans Classic Car Show. 10 AM - 3 PM. American Veterans Post 1939 Margate. \$20.

November 9, 2013 - Club Targeted Show - New Covenant 7th Annual Benefit Classic Car Show. Pompano. \$15, DOS \$20. 10 AM -3 PM. Click **HERE** for the flyer.

November 9, 2013 - Shop with a Cop Car Show. 10 AM - 2 PM. South Florida Fairgrounds. 1st 150 cars have indoor parking. \$30, DOS \$35. West Palm Beach

November 10, 2013 - Club Event - Annual FLMC Picnic. TY Park Hollywood, Pavilion #9 (Same as last year). FLMC members no charge, non-members and guests \$10 donation. Don't miss out, we had a great time last year!! And this year we are having a shrimp boil. The fun starts at 11am and will last until 4pm or so. Lunch will be served 12pm to 1:30pm. Any questions, contact us via our contact

November 10, 2013 - Citi Centre Veteran's Day Benefit Classic Car Show, Pompano

November 16, 2013 – Steeda Stampede

November 16, 2013 - Open Benefit Car Show Dania Beach Pier Quarterdeck Restaurant.

November 28 - 30, 2013 - Daytona Turkey Run. Click here for more information. About 3 1/2 hours from Fort Lauderdale

January 19, 2014 – Corvette Club Car Show

January 19, 2014 - Youth Automotive Training Center Benefit Open Car show. Quiet Waters Park Shelter 10, Deefield. \$20, \$25 DOS. \$500 Best of Show, \$100 Best Corvette, \$100 Best Mustang. www.yatc.org

December 1, 2013 -4th Annual Turkey Soup Rod Run. Noon - 4 PM. Spanx the Hog BBQ Pompano.

December 15, 2013 - Festival Flea Market Car Show. 10 AM - 4 PM. Pompano

March 8, 2014 - FLMC - Open Car and Truck Show benefitting the

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

JUNE JULY

07 George Toth 10 Wayne Gifford 11 Herb Gauch 13 Blake Angove 14 Carol Wechsler 28 Marci Stringert

24 John Stringert 30 Stacey B Jovi

AUGUST SEPTEMBER
15 Larry Wechsler
23 Dallas Hallam
23 Elio Rossy
10 Eugene Barineau
14 Janie Zaleski

OCTOBER NOVEMBER

19 Mickey Wethli 3 Christian Schneider

7 Barbara Gauch 11 Cathy Angove 18 Mark Patterson 21 Marylee Hallam 23 Jimmy

25 Barbara Smith 26 Susan Taylor

Letter From the Editor

Hello everyone,

I, Lori Patterson, the First Lady, am now the PR person for the FLMC. I will be editing the Pony Express, managing the Facebook page, and posting/marketing our car show all over the internet.

Please send any info that you would like published in our newsletter, or on Facebook, to my email address LoriPatterson2001@gmail.com.

- "What goes in the newsletter or on the Facebook page?" You might ask. Here are a few ideas ...
- 1) Any interesting tidbits about Mustangs new and old that you come
- 2) Pictures of cool mustangs you come across or take
- 3) Short blurbs about a car show you attended
- 4) If you, or someone you know, has a car or car parts to sell
- 5) Birthday or anniversary wishes

Sincerely, Lori Patterson Editor, *The Pony Express*

As a reminder, FLMC Monthly Meetings are held on the first

Wednesday of every month, starting at 7:30pm at:

AutoNation 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.



<u>Click here</u> to visit the FLMC Facebook page. Be sure to "like" us for frequent club happenings, updates, and other exciting information.

Monthly Mustang Factoids

- The Mustang was premiered on April. 17, 1964 at New York's World Fair
- 22,000 Mustangs were sold within the first day of its release.
- Within 2 years, over one million Mustangs were sold
- **http://random.easywebcontent.com/newpage2

Please note: www.flmustangclub.com may be offline intermittently during November for maintenance and updates.

^{*} Any omissions are unintentional. Please let me know any that are missing! $\ensuremath{\boxdot}$





Dear Sponsor:

The Fort Lauderdale Mustang Club, in collaboration with AutoNation Ford of Fort Lauderdale and the Fort Lauderdale Police Department, will be hosting an open car, truck and motorcycle show on **March 8, 2014**. The show will be held at AutoNation Ford, 1333 N. Federal Highway in Fort Lauderdale. All net proceeds from the show will be donated to the Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center.

The Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center, Inc. (CDTC) is a nationally recognized "Center of Excellence," one of Broward County's largest children's service organizations, and a unique system of care for children and youth with special health care needs. The Center, a not-for-profit 501(c)3, provides accessible, family-centered and culturally sensitive medical care and social services to more than 10,000 infants, children, youth and families annually. Children served by the Center, through multiple intervention programs, suffer from chronic illnesses and/or developmental disabilities.

This will be the fifth annual show hosted at AutoNation Ford benefitting CDTC. Over the years more than \$16,000 has been raised for CDTC! We are currently soliciting donations of items for our live and silent auctions as well as items to fill 100 "goodie bags".

Donations by check should be made out to CDTC. Donations of items for the live and silent auctions or goodie bags can be sent to:

Ft. Lauderdale Mustang Club c/o Barbara Gauch 650 N 72nd Way Hollywood, FL 33024



Should you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at (954) 728-1060. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely yours,

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