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JANUARY CAR OF THE MONTH



Rob Lee's 1969 Mustang Mach 1

This is our 1969 Mustang Mach 1. It is a Wimbledon White M code with factory air conditioning, automatic transmission, and red interior. I have owned it since 2019. It's a California car built in San Jose and has spent most of its life in the Los Angeles area, running around Laurel Canyon Blvd by its original owner who drove the car into his 80's. After being given to a friend of his, the car made it to Northern California, where it passed through a couple of owners, until I came across it. Since then, the car is a part-time driver, part-time project. I only have some receipts from 2006 through 2019, and from those, it seems the car was only driven about 2000 miles in that timeframe. I have gone through the worn-out front suspension, rear shocks, and audio system, replaced the original A/C system, restored the complete lower dash, installed a new Holly carburetor, and I keep on whittling down on the many items that I still have to contend with. So far, we have put just about 10,000 miles on the car, which includes a 3500 mile round trip to Montana for the 44th Annual Mustang Meet. After the meet, we took it through Glacier National Park on Going to the Sun Road, went back through Yellowstone and stopped at Craters of the Moon (among other places). I look forward to continuing to improve the car with the goal of returning it to being a daily driver.



JANUARY PREIDENT'S LETTER

Hello All

Your Board has started working on the 2025 calendar with some new and old events, If you have an event that we can do on a weekend please come to a board meeting and bring it up.

We had our Christmas party on Dec 6. I believe everyone had a good time. The Gift exchange was a lot of fun, thanks to Linda and Nancy. There were also a lot of very nice gifts for the children.

Please remember that our dues are due now and delinquent after January 31 A \$5.00 late charge for every month after that. Do not forget the new general meeting time and place, 7 pm, Frontier Ford, 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA

Respectfully submitted by Joe Rondone



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



Joe Goulart- 07
Rick Rose-26
Kathleen Frascone – 07

Linda Worth – 01
Patrick Kirby-29
Diana Chang – 07

Janeen Pratt -22
Ron Dune – 04
Holden Chen 1-6



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\$\$\$\$ ITS TIME TO RENEW THE DUES FOR 2024 \$\$\$\$\$

You can pay by check or cash at the General Meeting.

or

Pay Pal or Credit Card via the Web Site



(RENEWAL IS \$40)

MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE FOR 2025

Meetings 2025	Date	Time	Notes
General Meeting (CHECK CHANGES)	January 10	7:00 pm.	Frontier Ford 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA
Board Meeting	January 21	7:00 pm.	
General Meeting	February 7	7:30 pm.	
Board Meeting	February 18	7:00 pm.	
General Meeting	March 7	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	March 18	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	April 4	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	April 15	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	May 2	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	May 20	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	June 6	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	June 17	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	July 4	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	July 15	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	August 1	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	August 19	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	September 5	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	September 16	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	October 3	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	October 21	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	November 7	7:30 p.m.	
Board Meeting	November 18	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	December 5	6:30 p.m.	Holiday Party
Board Meeting	December 16	7:00 p.m.	

REOCCURRING AREA EVENTS

2 nd Saturday each Month	Ronnie's Coffee & Cars	5566 Cottle Rd. San Jose, CA
1st Saturday each Month	Mt. View Coffee & Cars	Starbucks 2410 Charleston Rd, Mountain View, CA 7 to 10:30am
2 nd Sunday each Month	SJMCC Cars and Coffee	859 Blossom Hill Rd, San Jose, CA
3 rd Sunday each Month	Morgan Hill Coffee & Cars	990 Cochrane Plaza, Morgan Hill, CA
1st Sunday each Month	The Gilroy Coffee & Cars	Gilroy Donut House 703 First St, Gilroy, CA 8 to 11am

VMOA CHRISTMAS PARTY (GENERAL MEETING MINUTES) FRIDAY DECEMBER 6th, 2024

Yes, we again had a fantastic VMOA Christmas Party on December 6th, 2024. Our attendance was slightly smaller this year. The dinner was again catered by High by Five Catering. The dinner was superb as usual. As the new secretary of the club, I apologize for my slip up of not taking proper notes for the celebration. I will do better next year. Many members participated in preparation for the Party as usual. Drinks, cookies, decorations, gifts donations for the kids give away including delivering to the fire department. The Party gift exchange game was successful as well as many members that re-chose (confiscated) their desired gifts. Thanks to all for being there and joining in the fun. Special mention to a VMOA member's "Never say die" gift efforts. This member being an astute gift selector with a keen eye for the libation style wrapped gifts successfully chose the hidden treasures at least 5 times due to other members in our party that took advantage of his skills and stole (politely relieved him of) his liquid refreshment gift(s). He rose (tiringly) from his chair one last time and approached the gift table to find the last of the liquid prize gifts. Unfortunately, he could find no more of such gifts. He had to settle for a printed picture of a Mustang (still being delivered late, coming in January). We hope he will be happy when it finally arrives. That is the story of the tenacious spirit of our VMOA club members.

Other Christmas activities:

Willow Glen Christmas Lights Tour & Charlie Wilson's driveway get together: DECEMBER 12th 2024
RAIN DELAYED TO DECEMBER 19th, 2024.

This was my 1st introduction to the tour.

It was a very easy leisurely drive through the neighborhood with a fantastic array of exterior decorated houses and yards. The Driveway campfire, munchies & refreshments were a perfect low key get together to enjoy.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year, Les

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