



PONY EXPRESS



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MAY CAR OF THE MONTH



Jame Barrett's 1966 Mustang Fastback

It's a 1966 mustang fastback, I bought it at the early Turlock swap meet in 2002.

it had no front sheet metal other than the inner fender wells, no motor, no transmission, no rear differential. It needed some body work, & paint. it took about 7 years to finish. the first motor I built was a 289, with cam, & aftermarket heads, I spun a bearing in it, then I built a 302 roller motor, it ' I have A 9" ford rear end, frame connectors, & traction bars.

I replaced everything underneath, all rear suspension all front suspension & steering, motor & trans. I had been caregiver for my late wife { Linda } who had been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer in 1999 & passed in 2008. when it got really bad, I took the car to Elliot of Mustang Corral to finish & got painted in Auburn, Ca.



May President Letter 2025

Hello all, I hope every is doing well. It's May and the weather is looking better for us and we can start driving our cars . I see we have some old members that have not paid their dues. It looks like about 20 or 25 and about 65 paid and I think 2 new members, I welcome our new Members.

We can use some Ideas for outings May, June, July,
Please if you can think of something even if it's going out for dinner bring it up.
Hope to see everyone at next meeting on May 2.

Respectfully submitted by Joe Rondone

OFFICERS

President – Joe Rondone
Vice President – Rob Lee
Secretary – Les Dougan
Treasurer - Rick Rose

BOARD MEMBERS

David Geraci
Don Houk
Kathy Riccardi
Steve Chapman, Past Pres.

VOLUNTEERS

Membership – Charlie Wilson
Webmaster - Vacant
Events – Pauline Maciel
MCA – Tom Hasenberg
Car Show – Kathy Riccardi
Newsletter – Rod Davison



APRIL BIRTHDAYS



Rose Arnaudo – 04

Don Houk – 06

Frank Marino – 11

Tina Goulart- 14

Joe Randone – 19

Mark Brinkerhoff - 20

Cheryl Peterson – 21

Dale Worth- 23

Mary Geraci - 25

Victoria Moffat – 28



\$\$\$ ITS TIME TO RENEW THE DUES FOR 2025 \$\$\$\$

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

or

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(RENEWAL IS \$40)

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
1st Sunday each Month	Willow Glen Coffee & Cars	Lincoln Ave. Between Willow & Minnesota

MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE FOR 2025

Meetings 2025	Date	Time	Notes
General Meeting	May 2	7:00 p.m.	Frontier Ford 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA
Board Meeting	May 20	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	June 6	7:00 p.m.	Frontier Ford 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA
Board Meeting	June 17	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	July 4	7:00 p.m.	Frontier Ford 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA
Board Meeting	July 15	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	August 1	7:00 p.m.	Frontier Ford 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA
Board Meeting	August 19	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	September 5	7:00 p.m.	Frontier Ford 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA
Board Meeting	September 16	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	October 3	7:00 p.m.	Frontier Ford 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA
Board Meeting	October 21	7:00 p.m.	
General Meeting	November 7	7:00 p.m.	Frontier Ford 3701 Stevens Creek Blvd. Santa Clara, CA
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.	

VINTAGE MUSTANG OWNERS' ASSOCIATION (VMOA)

General Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 7, 2025

Officers and Board Attendees:

President Joe Rondone, VP Rob Lee, Treasurer Rick Rose, Secretary Les Dougan, Board Members, Kathy Riccardi and Carol Rose.

Welcome:

President Joe Rondone opened the meeting introducing the Club Officers and welcoming all in attendance at 7:00 PM at Frontier Ford, Santa Clara. Our new General Meeting Hosts (Frontier Ford) gifted all attending members with a Goody Bag including a Beautiful Key Ring Fob, Very Large Cup, and Cookies with Coffee. Thanks Frontier Ford.

Members, Visitors and Guests:

There were approximately 19 members in attendance, no Guests or Visitors present but a welcome face (Tom Hasenberg was there) and a returning member James Bartlett explaining some old stories and discussion of his 66 Mustang.

Car of the Month:

Gene Cox's 1966 Mustang Convertible has many great replacement parts with a very good original vintage burgundy paint job including a 450HP 347 small block. Check out the Pony Express.

Committee Reports:

None

January 2025 Minutes (Report of the 2024 Christmas Dinner)

The minutes were read there were no corrections and the report was approved.

Treasurer Report:

January 2025 balance increased as expected (some new year membership dues are coming in). We are encouraging Members to follow up on paying their dues. The Club is really counting on Members' Support. There were no corrections and the report was approved.

Birthdays:

Collier Grandberry 04, Tom Hasenberg 04, Robert Wilson 06, Gail Cleveland 07, Julie Barto 13, Leslie Woody 14, Mary Deardorf 18, Sandy Larson 26, and Chuck Thuener 27.

January Events:

General Meeting, 01/10/2025.

Past Events:

Christmas Party, December 06, 2024 & Willow Glen Christmas Lights Tour, December 19, 2024.

Future Events:

VMOA Car Show, Location & Date To Be Decided (TBD) June-August, 2025. We are researching locations and dates. It looks like we may not be able to get the Father's Day weekend. The consensus is that some like it but others do not.

Kathy Riccardi announced she had been in touch with Bill Cinnamond who volunteered to create a Poker Run hopefully for this year.

Joe Rondone touched on the DeRose Winery (a popular outing) stating there are some changes at the facility that we will have to adjust for, stay tuned.

Website:

Les and Joe are in training as of February 12 with Al Thomas.

Buy/Sell/Swap:

None.

Old Business:

The Picnic is in favor to keep but the rising costs for the food are under discussion (\$2000 + for catered). Possibly we may return to a Potluck format. The location costs approximately \$220 to \$250. A coordinator would help organize. Joe also mentioned that the tables at that venue were dirty when he arrived last year and suggested an early bird plan on cleaning off the tables.

For the Car Show we need an official coordinator. And News Just in (from the Board Meeting, Kathy has volunteered to head up the Car Show. It is a Big Job and she will need our Members' Support.

New Business:

We have an opening for 1 Board Member.

The subject of the Car Show Insurance sign up is moving along, Les and Charlie are filling out the forms to be sent by February 21.

Open Forum:

We still are looking for a close by restaurant for those who would wish to enjoy a meal & social cheer after the meeting. Les checked the Applebee's but the layout is not very convenient for moving the tables for our group. Any suggestions are welcome.

Pauline again brought up the subject of Yearly Membership and Event costs. She stated the decision of last month's meeting to change to single members paying only \$20 membership dues per year will create a serious decrease in the club's income. She recommended we rescind last month's vote and continue as before with a single member still needing to pay \$40 would be re-established but of course be able to bring a guest for free. The original \$40 for a member and significant other would be the same as before. Events costs will be under evaluation for each event. Much discussion took place again including the idea of \$20 membership cost could create an increase in the California divorce rate, (Ho Ho Ho). A vote was requested and the change (return to original status) was accepted. More thinking and discussion would be wise. Membership and Event costs need closer planning and scrutiny.

Pauline also reminded us that the First Sunday each month called the Willow Glen Coffee & Cars Get Together at Lincoln Ave. between Willow & Minnesota streets is a good outing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM by President Joe Rondone.

Submitted by Les Dougan

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