



# The Pony Express

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*Next meeting:*

*June 1, 2009*

*Sarasota Ford 7:00 P.M.*

## RANDOM THOUGHTS

By Richard Bakan, President

For those that have missed a few meetings, I would like to update you on the NMRA show that we hosted in March. Our club received \$1,090.00 for our efforts plus free tee shirts and free car registration. We voted at last month's meeting to look into buying walkie-talkies for our shows instead of borrowing them from Bayshore High School, thanks to Dave Bishop. The balance will be used for future club activities as we see fit. We are also getting free publicity; In the June issue of Modified Mustangs & Fords, they have 4 pages about the show and racing, unfortunately none of our cars or our club name is included. But in the June issue of Mustang Monthly, we struck GOLD. We have a 2 page write up in this issue, and I count 10 of our cars pictured and our clubs name is mentioned 3 times. I counted the following cars; let me know at the next meeting if I missed any:

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Ray & Lola Bakers 64 1/2 Mustang  
Dick & Kriss Kellar's 93 Mustang

Larry Tamburino's 71 Mach 1  
Duke & Michelle Clancy's 69 Mach 1

Ron & Barbara Bakans 05 Mustang  
Earl, Jan, & Earl Jr. Heady's 69 Mach 1

Dick & Kriss Kellar's 69 Mustang Pro Mod  
(Radio Controlled)

Larry Tamburino's 55?? Ford Truck  
Ed Weiss 66 Mustang

Ed & Joy Woodward's 66 Mustang GT, the Woodward's also won the Editors Choice Award with a really nice article and 3 pictures

## DESOTO HERITAGE FESTIVAL

By Roving Reporters Dennis and Judy Kauser

We did participate in the DeSoto Heritage Festival parade event Saturday April 25, evening. We carried two dignitaries from the "Krewe de Bienville", from Mobile, AL. It was their ninth trip to Bradenton. AutoWay Ford did provide a lot of convertibles. Not all Mustangs. One fellow got a rental Toyota with Nevada plates on it to drive. They must have gotten desperate. I didn't see any Classic Mustangs, all late model and one 2010 convertible.

We have driven in the Missouri State Fair, but this was DIFFERENT! In addition to seeing the floats and other exhibits, the main event seemed to be throwing beads from all vehicles. Onlookers were packed from 5 to 10 deep, all yelling for BEADS. It seems that there has been a desperate shortage of Beads in Bradenton.

*No one warned us to wear ear protection.* When you pass a group of teenage girls all shrieking

for BEADS it can be deafening. Do you know why little girls squeal?? Because they can. And boy do they, when they want BEADS!

Our riders were fun, but conservative. The car in front of us ran out of ammo (as we later called the beads) too early and we had to supply them with our reserves. The only untoward event was in front of the reviewing stand when the car behind us was so intent on being on TV that they nearly ran us down. The Reviewer/ commentator woke up the driver just in time.

An interesting time, it was.



**A NOTE FROM BIRMINGHAM**

Back from Birmingham and still catching up on sleep. Boy does it wear you out doing a long trip in an old car, especially driving alone. I drove 7 hours on Sunday and 6 on Monday to get home.

The 2010 was very prominent at the show. In fact a group from France rented 42 of them at the Atlanta airport and drove into the show together! Here's a picture of the new GT. *Karl A. Mohr*



**JUST NOTES**

By Deborah Bakan

**Columnist Needed:** In order to avoid the dreaded editor *"burn out"*, I am seeking columnist to provide monthly submissions in the following areas: Events, Tech Talk, and Laughter is the Best Medicine. I really need more help from club members. Without your assistance the newsletter will either be reduced by two pages or will go 6 issues a year. Please contact Deborah at 954-2089 or rdbakan@comcast.net.

**Club Gear:** We still have a few remain shirts, prices and sizes vary please call for more information 954-2089. We will also placing a second order for hats, shirt and bags by mid June. Shirts range from \$15.55 to \$17.00, Hats are \$10.50, Bags are \$12.00. These prices do not include shipping and may run a little higher. Please call to place advance orders, 954-2089.

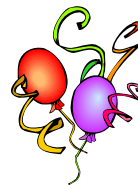


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2001 Roush Stage II GT Convertible  
 White with a beige top, one owner  
 with 6,100 miles., \$20,000.  
 Call Dave at 941-228-7347

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

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|----------------|-------------------|
| Norman Oliver  | Evonne Langenbach |
| Victor Bakan   | Stanley Sheppard  |
| Earl Heady Jr. | Wayne Pontious    |
| Deborah Bakan  |                   |
| Dave Bishop    |                   |
| Barbara Bakan  |                   |
| Karl Mohr      |                   |



The one-millionth Mustang was produced in what year?

February 23, 1966

**RUDY'S  
 RECIPE  
 CORNER**



By Ruth Scofield's assistant, Deborah

**TOMATO-FETA GREEN BEANS**

- ¼ cup pine nuts
- 2 (16oz) frozen green bean\*
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 teaspoons dried Italian seasoning
- 1 table spoon olive oil
- 4 plum tomatoes, chopped
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- 1 (4 oz) package crumbled feta cheese

Bake: pine nuts in a shallow pan at 350° for 6 to 8 minutes or until tasted. Set aside.

Drain Green beans well, pressing between layers of paper towels.

Sauté: garlic and Italian seasoning in hot oil in a large skillet over medium heat for 1 minute; add green beans and sauté 5 to 7 minutes. Stir in tomato, and cook, stirring constantly, 2 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Stir in lemon juice, salt and pepper. Sprinkle with cheese and pine nuts.

\*Fresh green beans may be substituted. Use one pound of beans, rinsed and cut. Boil about 5-10 minutes. Drain well and follow recipe.

## THE GREAT MUSTANG DEBATE: 1964½ OR 1965?

DEARBORN, Mich., April 16, 2009 – Ever since the debut of the original Ford Mustang 45 years ago, there has been an ongoing debate about what to call the pony cars built between April and August of 1964. Are they “1964½” Mustangs or 1965 models?

Technically, all of the original Ford Mustangs are 1965 models because all carry a 1965 model year Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

But the majority of Mustang enthusiasts throughout the world are purists at heart, and they know very well that the vehicles produced from April to August of 1964 were different enough from those manufactured during the remainder of the model year to warrant giving them another name.

“An entire generation has grown up calling these vehicles ‘1964½.’ It is part of the lexicon of Mustang history,” said John Clor, author of *The Mustang Dynasty*. “Technically, all of the original Mustangs are 1965 models, but true enthusiasts know that production of the car ran for a year and a half and that the car changed after the first six months.”

The biggest change was in the electrical system. The so-called 1964½ Mustangs used generators while those made during the

standard 12-month 1965 model year used alternators. Also, the V-8 option was different. The 1964½ models used the 260-cubic inch V-8 engine, while the 1965 models employed a 289-cubic inch V-8 engine.

“People like to say there is no such thing as a 1964½ Mustang, and in theory they are correct,” said Charles Turner, national head judge for the Mustang Club of America (MCA). “But there is a wide range of little differences between the cars built before and after August of 1964 that make them very unique. The MCA accepts the 1964½ as a model year because we view it as a different car.”

Those lucky enough to own a Mustang built between April and August of 1964 view their pony cars as a totally different breed of the steed.

“We take exception to someone calling them 1965 Mustangs because the ‘64½ was a unique car when it was introduced, and it is a very special thing to own one,” said Fred Glazier, who bought his Rangoon Red Mustang coupe in May of 1964. “When you tell someone you have a 1964½ Mustang, people who understand Mustangs know what you’re talking about.”

## MCWCF PICNIC, APRIL 18, 2009

By Deborah Bakan

Talk about a picture perfect day, April 18<sup>th</sup> was the best ever, low 80’s, clear skies, birds singing, hawks soaring, wild boar grazing, gators sunning and club members playing. Burgers and hot dogs galore, side dishes and salads and desserts to numerous to count.

The horseshoe tournament had the best attendance to date, but bingo players came up short. Nearly everyone had an opportunity to explore the park, cruising on the boats, site seeing on the trams into the backwoods and flatlands, and many of us climbed to the tree tops on the canopy walk, what a view.

I feel safe in saying everyone had a good time with good friends and good food.

Please enjoy these pictures by Dennis and Judy Kauser.





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**We're on the Web:**

**[Mustangclubofwestcentralflorida.org](http://Mustangclubofwestcentralflorida.org)**



The purpose of the Mustang Club of West Central Florida: Is to promote the preservation of the Mustang as a Classic American Automobile. The club sponsors tours, outings, technical sessions, fund raisers, and an annual car show.

Annual Dues are \$20.00.

The regular meetings of the Mustang Club of West Central Florida are held the first Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at Sarasota Ford

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### June

- 06/5-7 O'Rielly Raceway Car Show, Indianapolis, IN. [www.indymustangclub.com](http://www.indymustangclub.com)

### Cruise-in's:

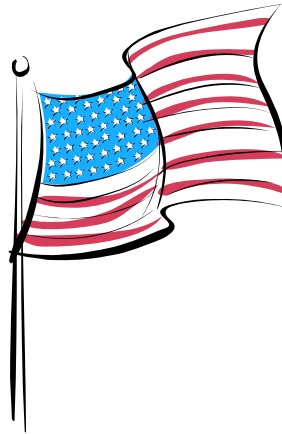
- 06/05 Mel's Diner Venice 5-9 PM
- 06/06 Saturday .. Hooters, Sarasota Pavilion (Gulf Gate) 5-9
- 06/07 North Port Carvel Ice Cream 4-8 PM 1151 S. Toledo Blade
- 06/13 Saturday Joey D's 14th St. W. in Bradenton

- 4th Friday Bennett Plaza, Bradenton 5-9
- 4th Saturday, Sarasota Bee Ridge at McIntosh, Hosted by Burger King and Basil's

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