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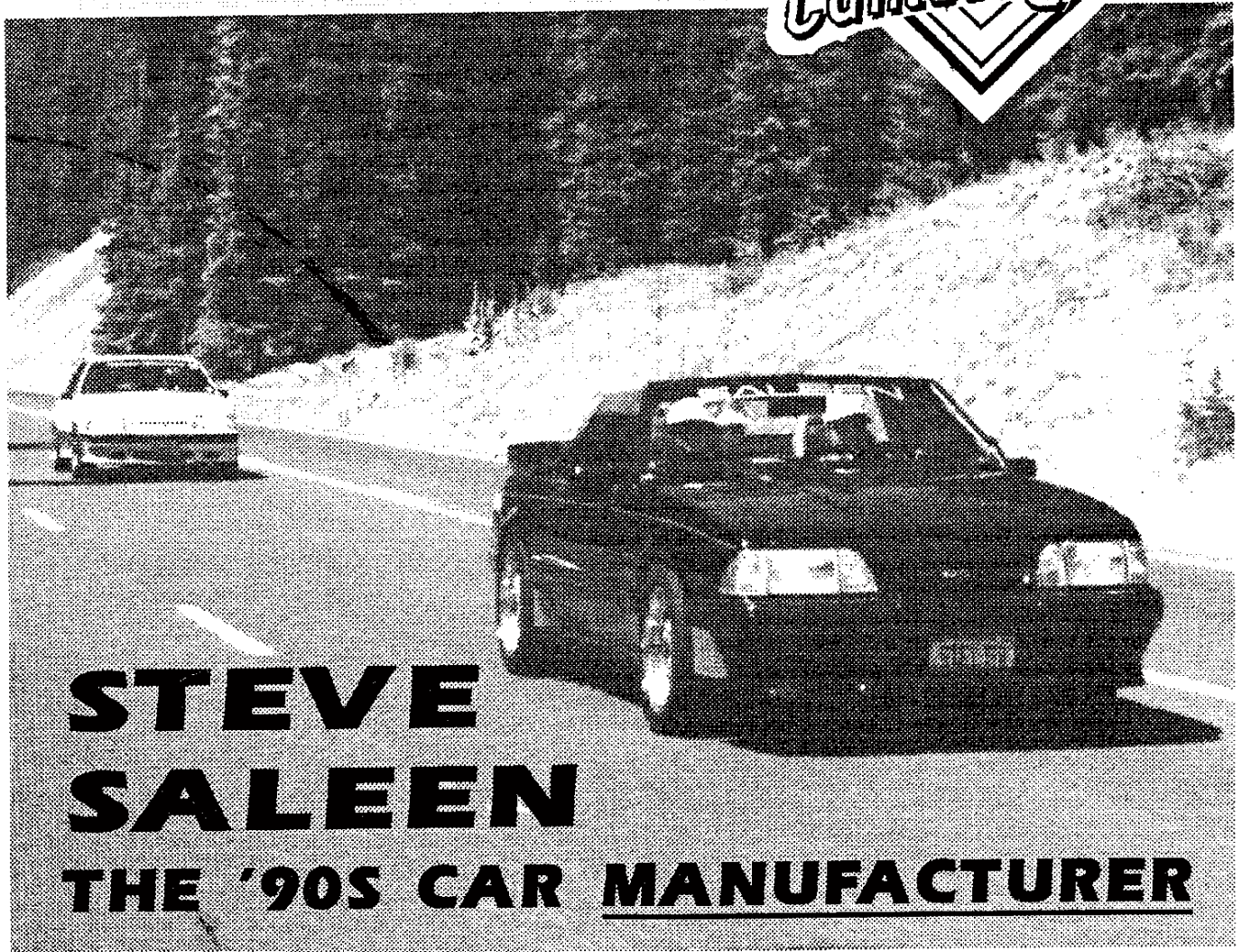
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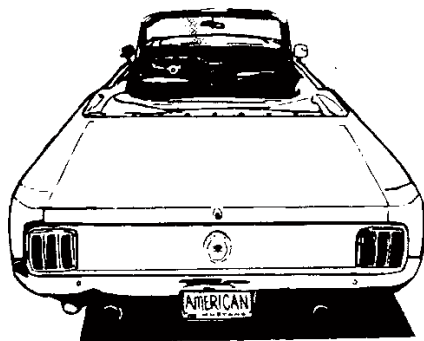
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On the Cover

Steve & Liz Saleen drive Penny & Dave Willis's 1989 Mustang on the first Saleen Cruise in the Cascade Mountains in central Washington.

Virginia City Camel Races
September 10th

Carlifornia State Fair
Mustang Magic Exhibit

PLUS! Photos and news on Washington's best kept secret: Mustangs Northwest Annual Roundup



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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17TH 7:30 PM

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MUSTANG MAGIC

THE STATE FAIR IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER AGAIN. BUT HERE'S GOOD NEWS FOR ALL OF US MUSTANG LOVERS. THE FAIR IS GOING TO HAVE A 30TH ANNIVERSARY MUSTANG DISPLAY IN ONE OF THE BUILDINGS. YES, THE WHOLE BUILDING. MORE GOOD NEWS, THEY HAVE ASKED TWO OF OUR MEMBERS, AL KRASICH AND VIC HAMSHAR TO HELP THEM COORDINATE THIS. THERE WILL BE AT LEAST 15 CARS ON DISPLAY AT ALL TIMES AND A SPECIAL CAR THAT CHANGES ALMOST DAILY.

PLENTY OF MEMORABILIA AND DISPLAYS OF OLD SIGNS AND NEW WILL TELL THE STORY. FORD WILL SEND REPRESENTATIVES AND VARIOUS DEALERS. MUSTANG SUPPLIERS WILL ALSO BE REPRESENTED AT THE SHOW.

DON'T THINK IT "WASN'T HARD TO PICK 12 CARS OUT OF THE THOUSANDS THAT ARE IN CALIFORNIA, BUT WE TRIED TO BE FAIR AND COVER AS MUCH OF "CAL AS WE COULD WITH CARS FROM ALL OVER THE STATE INCLUDING SONNY & CHER'S CHUCK BARRIS CUSTOM MUSTANGS FROM MUSTANG COUNTRY IN PARAMOUNT, CA. FORTUNATELY, WE DIDN'T HAVE TO MAKE THE DECISION, THE FAIR OFFICIALS DID.

SO, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP THE SHOW BY SPENDING SOME TIME TALKING ABOUT MUSTANGS DURING THE SHOW (FOR ABOUT 4 HOURS) PLEASE CALL EITHER AL KRASICH OR VIC HAMSHAR. WE DO NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS A SUCCEED. BESIDES, AFTER YOU HAVE FINISHED TALKING MUSTANGS, YOU CAN GO SEE THE FAIR FREE. SO, PLEASE, HELP OUR CLUB FULFILL THIS PRIVILEGE.

FAIR DATES ARE AUGUST 19TH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 5TH.

SACRAMENTO AREA MUSTANG CLUB

THE EDITOR'S OPINIONS AND WARPED PERSPECTIVES

ON THE

MUSTANG UNIVERSE

Are we there yet? And where is "there" anyway? This is the year of the Mustang Enthusiast. What is meant by that augmented statement is that we have had one heck of a red-letter year. For us, the 30th anniversary has been a shot in the arm for both morale and confidence in the Mustang hobby. Why? Do you really have to ask? To put it simply, this year has brought our hobby into the public limelight in many ways.

It all started back in October, Ford introduced the new '94 Mustang to us, single-handedly tying together all years of Mustangs into one big family of product. The car, with it's back to the past styling has now wrapped the whole production of thirty years into one genre. Look at it like two book ends, a '64 1/2 and a '94, with all the other years comfortably nestled in-between. Secondly, we had a plethora of 30th Anniversary events that took us all over the world, into TV sets everywhere, and into the hearts of America. The dream of any buff realized! If that wasn't enough, the new car has been an unqualified sales success. In the first three months of sales, it outsold the 1993 Camaro and Firebird combined. They had been on sale for nearly seven months.

Is it over? NO! For us there is the Mustang Magic event at the California State Fair. Make not the mistake of passing this one off as just another Mustang display. This is another grand slam for us! Ford Motor Co., the State Fair, and the many consortiums state wide have pledged a major backing to this. We have the eyes of the world upon us once again. The media moguls will be swarming once again, asking the question: "What is the Mustang Mystique?". For our club, this is definitely a plus. We get to be there telling California the joys of Mustang pure and simple. Not only media coverage, but public exposure is the reward for us. Be there!

For me personally, I have a mixed bag. The Mustang stuff is great, but I have fish frying at home as well. As most of you know, my wedding of August 20th is now a reality. Time spent bringing this day to fruition has been quite alluring. It has kept me very busy and pre-occupied. For those who have had the unmatched joy of dealing with me in the last month, I say thank you for your patience and help. This is definitely a time for teamwork.



RIDE 'EM COWBOY?

It's really not certain that this would apply in the case of a CAMEL, but we sure intend to find out. September 10th is the annual Camel Races held in Virginia City, NV. Along with Ostrich Chariot races and an old time parade down the city street. There is good food, craft booths and lots to see in this quaint old town. The cost is \$7.00 per person on a pre-registered purchase and \$9-10 at the gate. This covers all events for the entire day. So let me have your registration by next meetin so that we may get them into the Chamber of Commerce.

We will leave the Antelope Weigh Scales on HWY 80 at 6:30 AM. The first event begins a 11:00 AM. We will have at least 1 or 2 fifteen minute rest stops along the way to break up the 3 1/2 hour drive. Vic and I will be in that area between now and the 10th of September and will scope out a place for a group lunch. If they do not have that provision you'll be on your own. As to staying over-night, you will need to make your own arrangements for lodging. Carson City is close, but you may desire to head up to Reno. The Hot Air Balloons leave Reno at Sunrise on Sunday and there are also air races that day.

We hope that all of you can join us for this event. It promises to be an interesting and fun event in every aspect. Call if you have any questions.

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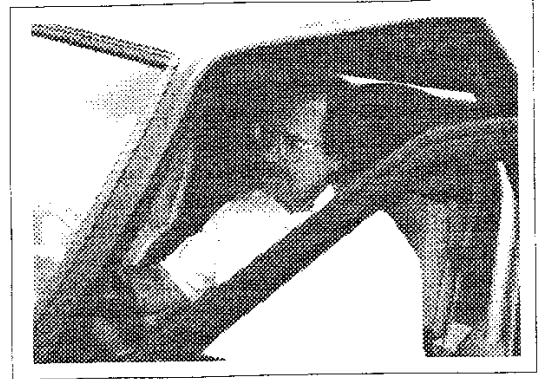
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Steve Saleen builds a Batmobile for the 90's

Words and photos by Sam Haymart

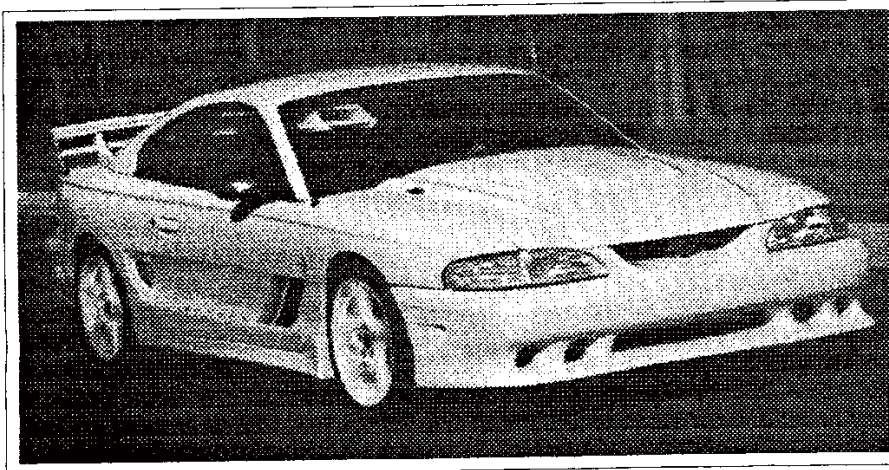


At a Dinner Banquet of Mustang Northwest's annual Mustang Roundup in Seattle, WA. Steve Saleen was telling his story. This story of a man who started his Mustang love affair with a '67 GT 390 and a race track, then moving up the performance ladder. Through a decade of racing and car building Steve cast his eye on bringing Ford into a late-model racing victory. He sold Ford on the idea of SCCA Class B racing and on a line of race prepared Mustangs for sale to the public at large. A victory indeed. In the early eighties, he introduced the Saleen Mustang.

The car was an astute performer with its race prepared suspension and aerodynamic ground effects. Later in production the Saleen Mustang became known for its Pioneer Stereo systems extraordinaire, world class handling and high collectability. A quote from Motor Trend in the late eighties said, "this car is the closest thing to a NASCAR racer ever available for the street". A compliment indeed. As the decade progressed, production increased and the special items added to the cars were more in depth. When Saleen received a car, 4-wheel disc brakes, racing suspension, custom interior, killer stereos, aerodynamic body cladding, custom graphics, and a new personality were added to the car. He did a special edition for the 25th Anniversary in 1989 called the SSC. This car was white with black and yellow graphics. This was the first time that high performance engine modifications were done to the production Saleens. The horsepower of the race prepared engine was approximately 290 hp.

As time elapsed into the '90s production was moved to St. Louis, Missouri where Cars and Concepts did the conversions for Saleen up until the most recent models. With the 1994 Mustang emerging, a new chapter in the Saleen legacy was in the offing. For the '94, a new approach was taken to the car. First, production was brought back to California to the auspices of the Saleen shop. The cars themselves were operated on in a different way. Saleen became a registered MANUFACTURER, not a "tuner". All Saleen Mustangs are covered under a warranty and sold through a Ford dealership. Steve has to make them pass the federal safety and emissions regulations. They have their own VIN numbers, and they are truly handmade. The Saleen shop receives V-6 Mustangs for their canvas. The lowly V-6 is shipped off and replaced with a Saleen built 5.8L supercharged mega motor with 371hp. Backing that up is a Tremec 5-Speed transmission. The cars undergo a complete disassembly and rework. The only items not disassembled or modified are the glass, passenger side air-bag, and the gas cap. Incidentally, some V-6 cars survive, as he also offers a supercharged V-6 model for around \$28,000.

When seen, the cars are truly original. They stand to be the collector's of tomorrow. When you want to have one, give Steve a call. He builds them to suit. Your colors, your options One thing for sure, let him make the powertrain decisions. Steve Saleen has put another feather his cap. This time, the feather is a gold one.



"The car is the closest thing to a NASCAR racer ever available for the street".

The 1994 Saleen S-351 retails for approximately \$36,500 and boasts a 371 hp supercharged 351 EFI engine with a full factory warranty.

This 30th anniversary year has been chocked full of superlatives as they relate to size and significance Mustang events. One might ask, who actually put on the biggest and the best Mustang show anyway? No one may be able to properly prove that one, but the folks up in Seattle might have the best kept secret around. Mustangs Northwest has put on their big show for fourteen years running tallying in well over 1000 cars per annum. This year they hosted their round-up, "Celebration '94" with much fanfare boasting four days of activities and over 1400 Mustangs in attendance. The show is nestled deep in the forested grounds of Bellevue community college just outside of downtown Seattle. The show brought in Mustangs from California, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, most of western Canada, and then some!

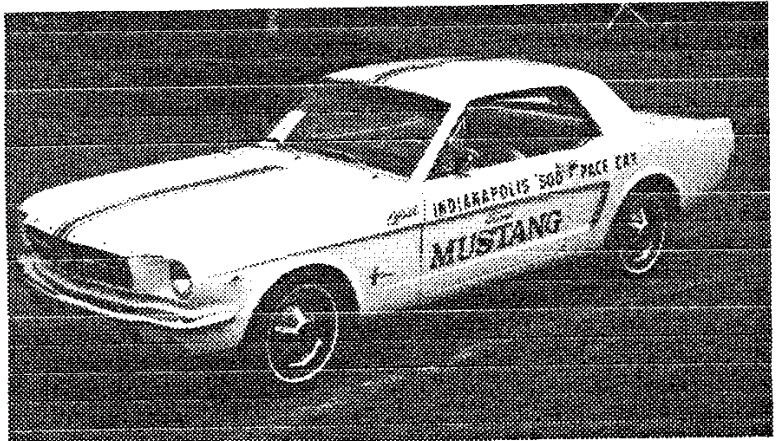
The activities started Thursday, July 14th with an open track event at Seattle International Raceway (SIR) with Steve Saleen participating in a fund-raising (or hair-raising?) guest ride program that netted a sizeable donation to the Alpine Boys Ranch just up the hill from Seattle. The weather was "just right" for high speed stick to the road action. On Friday a well planned road rally led Mustangs of all years in and out of Seattle's inner crevasses while others attended a golf tournament arranged with the Mustangers. That evening 200 guests were bused out to Lake Washington for an evening dinner cruise to celebrate the occasion.

The judged show held on Saturday had 85 cars competing for concours awards while other activity was going on with members of the Saleen Owners & Enthusiasts Club. A group of Saleens and a few other Mustangs took a road tour up into the gorgeous Cascade Mountains. The stops included the grounds Alpine Boys Ranch, a Germanic village in what seemed to be the Swiss Alps called Levenworth. The Saleens raced on via Washington two-lane twisties to Roslyn, the famed set of the TV show "Northern Exposure". A scenic trip through a stack of postcards indeed!

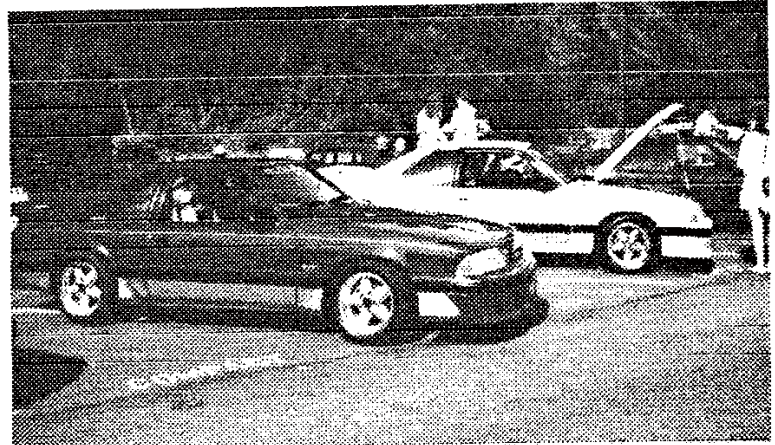
On Sunday the grand finale! Over 1400 Mustangs packed into the terraced parking lot of BCC. Car buffs from the southwest or east coast might be surprised to find that some of the cleanest and rarest cars in the country are quietly corralled in the northwest. The entrance rotunda of the show had 30 Mustangs, one from each year parked in a semi-circle with the crown jewels being all three years of Mustang pace-cars. A plethora of vendors and clubs had their camp, including the Saleen gang. When told that this show seemed every bit as big as Charlotte, Dick Knight, car show Co-Chair responded, "Yeah it is, but we do this every year". This is the story of a club that truly has their act together. The event is arguably the largest annual Mustang show on the West Coast, and it goes like clockwork. It may just well be the best kept secret, but no one will admit to it.

SACRAMENTO AREA MUSTANG CLUB

Mustangs Northwest of Seattle quietly puts on the largest annual Mustang show on the West Coast



One of the original '64 1/2 Indy 500 pace cars made the show just after it's ground-up restoration.



The Saleen Owners & Enthusiasts Club (SOEC) made it's appearance as the show was also their North West Convention.



The show is indeed the largest on the West Coast with nearly 1500 cars annually. The tiered and forested parking was scenic.

Pollardville Ghost Town

"The Chicken Run Was Fun"

Our July 31st event was quite successful. With 10 lovely Mustangs, new and old leaving Sacramento at 4:45 pm for the drive to the Pollardville Chicken Kitchen on Highway 99 & 8 Mile Rd. Arriving there, we were met by 3 more Mustangs from the Mid-Valley Mustang Club giving us a total of 13 cars and 27 people in attendance. Some of us wandered the ghost town or had some refreshment while waiting for our table to be ready. This was promptly achieved by the staff and our orders taken. The food was great and the service, excellent. Everyone seemed to enjoy their meals and many took home the old familiar "doggy bag".

All seemed to enjoy themselves (even Gerry Vitale's extra shower). They had provided us with a private parking area in their fenced pavilion picnic grounds and the management has told us that we are welcome to use that area at any time. Just let them have a week's notice.

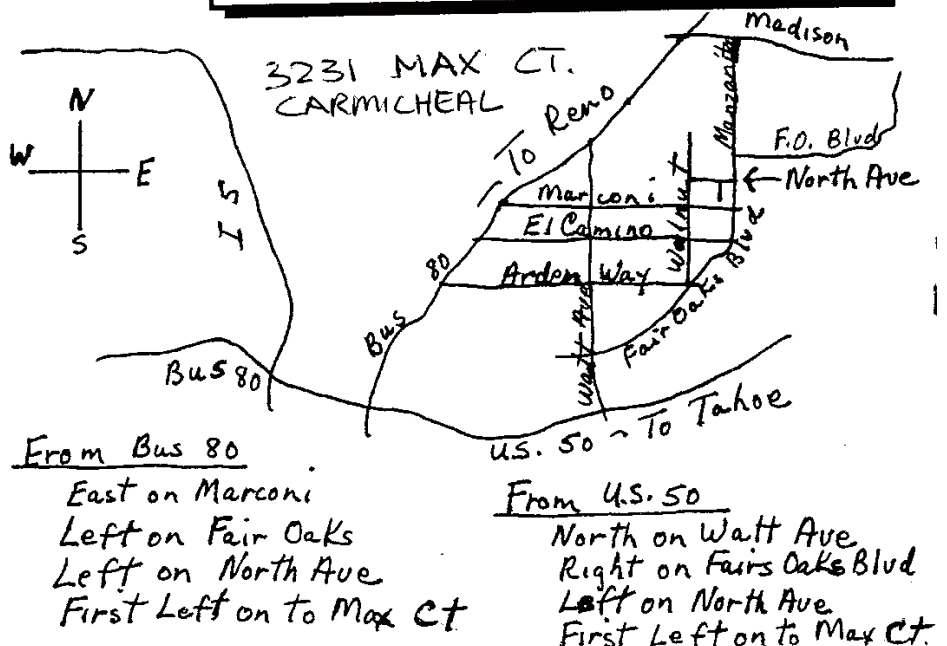
I know we will return, and I feel that many of our people in attendance will be there. Those of you that could not go with us, really missed a good meal and a great time of fellowship.

Vic & Wanda Hamshar
Co-Chairpersons

August 27th Burn Your Own Dinner Night

Tom & Jan Arnold have graciously offered the use of their lovely back yard for a pot luck BBQ for our August get-together. This will be held on Saturday evening at 6:00pm. Bring your own steak, hot-dog, or hamburger along with fixings plus a general "pot-luck" dish to go along for all in attendance. Also, bring along your own beverage and serving ware and a chair. Please RSVP to Jan Arnold 485-4463 by August 25th so we know how many to expect. If you have any questions you may call.

You all come out now, ya hear! See map.



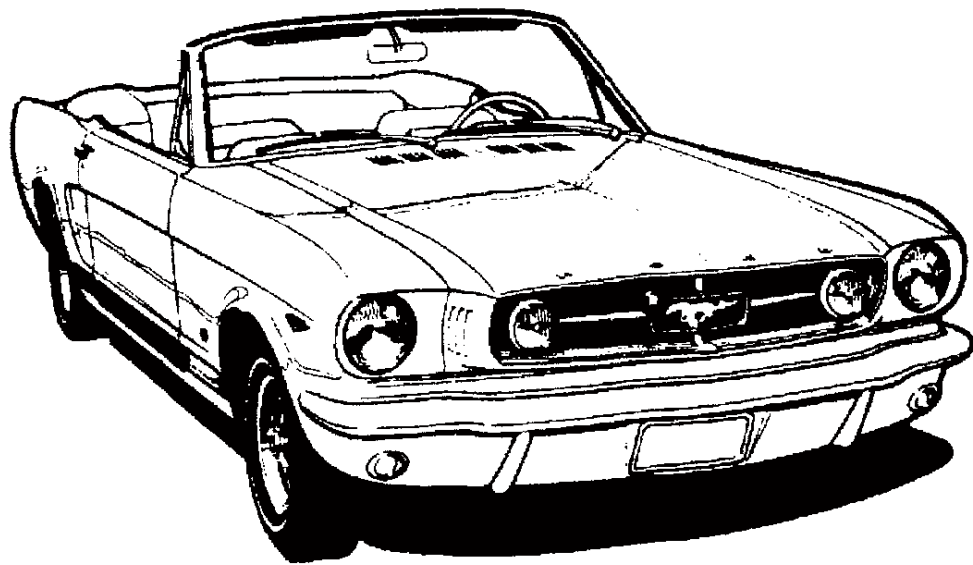
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For more information call: 332-2373 - between 9:00 a.m. & 9:00 p.m.

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I hereby agree to abide by all club by-laws and guidelines (to have fun). If applicant is under the age of 18, signature of legal guardian must accompany.

Signature _____ Date _____

Minimum insurance coverage required by California state law must be met and currently in place for all automobiles participating in club activities.

I hereby state that my car will be covered by insurance coverage that meets the state of California minimum requirements at all times while participating in club sponsored events. I hereby release Sacramento Area Mustang Club of any and all responsibility for any damages or loss known or unknown.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Weekly Cruise-Nites

Listed below are the locations and nights of the many local cruise-ins that the Sacramento area offers. If you have any additions to make to our list, please let us know! Have a good time!

Tuesdays

Chubby's Diner 6-9 PM
7135 Greenback Ln.

Wednesdays

Chubby's Diner 6-9 PM
427 Roseville Square - Roseville

Thursdays

Jasper's Giant Hamburgers 6-9
Granite Dr. - Rocklin

Saturdays

Jasper's Giant Hamburgers 6-9
East Bidwell - Folsom

J & R's Drive-In 6-9 PM
8200 Florin Rd.

Sundays

Chubby's Diner 11 AM - 3 PM
6525 Antelope Rd.

Coming Events:

August 20th

Haymart Wedding Mustang Display
at Hagan Park, Rancho Cordova, CA
R.S.V.P. 723-4563

August 27th

Burn Your Own Dinner Night
Tom & Jan Arnold 485-4463

September 10th

Camel Races at Virginia City, NV
Vic Hamshar- 332-2373

September 11th

Klassic Uniques Lincoln Highway Car Show
Andrews Park, Vacaville
707-422-1407

September 16,17,18

Willows Crusin '94
Show, swap, party, cruise - BIG FUN!

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Do you have a Mustang or parts of one to sell? Are you looking for that one last thing to get yours finished? Pony Talk Classifieds are free to S.A.M.C. members. These ads are read by Mustangs enthusiasts who know a good deal when they see one. To place an ad call 723-5925.

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