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# FROM THE EDITORS

## Kia Ora / Hola Burble Event

Season Greetings to all and a big welcome to our new members.

Its been a wonderful full year for the club reflected in the many events attended by members stretching from South & Mid Canterbury, all the way to Nelson and everywhere in between. As I write , the club is gearing up to attend the first Selwyn Motor Fest which I am sure will be massive.

The 38th National Mustang Convention hosted by our Southern Cousins was a great success for the club. Thirteen trophy winners.

Is that a club record ; anyone?

The countdown to Christmas has begun for most of us reflected in the fact that this edition is out for the Club Xmas lunch this year to kick off the festive season.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed their story to the magazine this edition and throughout the year. Its been a challenge for us both, a few hiccups in the last edition but positive and constructive feedback .

Thinking towards the March 2018 edition—we want to make this one extra special. We are looking to get as many stories and pictures as possible that capture the humble beginnings of the club and our history.



Keep safe and see you all for the Club picnic on the 7th Jan 18!

Please pitch us your ideas and send to:

**[cmocmageditor@gmail.com](mailto:cmocmageditor@gmail.com)**

**Deadline for March edition : 25th Feb 18**



On Sunday 17th Nov , our club celebrated our women owners with a nice brunch outing at the Brickmill Café in Waikuku. Our very own Janet Scott and her team severed up some beautiful meals and ensured our ladies had a good old catch-up. Conversation's quickly turned to the usual things ; power steering , best car cleaning product that doesn't wreck your hands and why they love their ponies just as much as the blokes.

In the famous words of Sharyn Busch “ PINK – It's the only one – Enough Said! And that sums up the pride and passion our women owners have for the iconic Mustang.

*Lets Do it Again!!*



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Season's greetings everyone, and welcome to the December edition of Burble.

What a quick year! Last January's New Year picnic at Waikuku, and Cromwell Car Show, just seem like yesterday!

The club's great turnout at the National Convention in Invercargill has been one of the year's highlights. It was fantastic to see so many members go south, and especially those for whom it was their first ever convention. The friendship and camaraderie lived up to the promises that I had made in earlier communications to members. The hospitality and generosity of the Southern club also matched expectations, contributing to just what a wonderful event and weekend that it was.



The other aspect that made it such a success was the long list of trophy winners across the CMOC members. Loretta and I were totally surprised by our success with 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 2005-09 class, a result that shows that anyone can do it....3 years and 4000 miles since the last major clean (2014 Convention), and no time to touch the car until we arrived in Invercargill! The joy of seeing our Mustang on screen and hearing our names called on the awards evening, in the splendour and formality of the Bill Richardson Transport World Museum, was a true highlight for Loretta and I, a special Mustang memory that will stay with us for a very long time.

And as I said, anyone can do it! Time to think about next year in Wellington!

Merry Christmas, and very best wishes for 2018 to all.

*Best regards, Garry*



# MEET YOUR COMMITTEE

Hi , I'm Paul Whiting,

I brought my Mustang GT Texan Special just over 4-years ago but have been interested in American muscles cars since I was a young teenager after seeing these cars race at Ruapuna Park in particular the PDL Mustang (for those that remember it).

I'm a qualified stainless steel fabricator and have added a number of dress up pieces under the hood of my GT. My hobbies include boating and fishing, water skiing, and I also have a love for dancing. My partner Leanne and I do Ceroc Modern Jive which is a bit like "Rock n Roll".

I have been in the club for 4 years and enjoy meeting new and familiar club members, car runs and club events.



*Season Greetings, Paul*

I'm Colin Sweetman, Mid-Canterbury Rep for the CMOC.

We (Cathy and me) now live full time in Ashburton after living in both Christchurch and Mid-Canterbury for the last 25 years. We have been members of the CMOC for 7 years after purchasing our first Mustang (a '67 Sports Sprint Notchback) from Chicago.



I always wanted a Candy Apple Red Mustang and you know what ebay is like.....

I couldn't stop at just one Mustang and being an avid car collector for about 30 years I now also have a '97 GT Convertible and a '16 Ecoboost Stage 2, so I really cover the field with 4, 6, and 8 cylinder Mustangs.

Those of you who visited us late last year for the Fish and Chip Run may remember my garage where the rest of my passion (some call it obsession) of 30 other cars and 2 tractors reside.

You may also remember Cathy's cream scones! With a few other locals and the support of the committee, we have started a local Mid-Canterbury group and have had our first meeting and run. Other events are planned and we would encourage any members who would like to come along to do so and enjoy our country hospitality.

*Season Greeting, Colin*

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# FOR HALF A CENTURY, WOMEN HAVE BEEN INTEGRAL TO THE FORD MUSTANG STORY

Article by Mary Jean Wesche, Mustang Times for Mustang Club of America



As customers, designers, race car drivers, engineers, marketers and journalists, women have been an integral part of the Ford Mustang story. The spirit of freedom and independence Mustang inspires has been embraced globally among women and men, the young and not so young, for over half a century.

Mustang has built a dedicated audience thanks to its authenticity. From the first retail customer to a successful race car driver to a journalist with a lifelong love for the pony car, these aficionada are but a tiny sample of the millions of women around the world whose stories have contributed to the iconic status of Ford Mustang.

## Gail Wise, first-ever Mustang owner

In 1964, Gail Brown was a freshly graduated Chicago school teacher who made history when she became the first Mustang owner in America. She still owns the car today. What makes this example unique is that Wise bought her Mustang on April 15, two days *before* the car was set to go on sale. A mix-up at the dealer resulted in her making the very first retail purchase of a Mustang.

Today Wise recalls with a great deal of fondness those early days of Mustang ownership when she was a young teacher. "There was a middle school attached to our elementary, and the boys fawned over the Mustang," she remembers.

Mustang's competition history is ingrained in its performance DNA as the car achieved a class

victory in the 1964 Tour de France Automobile soon after its debut. While racing continues to be male-dominated today, Lyn St. James is one of several prominent women competitors over the last 50 plus years who have been an important part of the Ford Mustang story.

After coming up through the Sports Car Club of America amateur ranks in the 1970s, St. James captured attention wielding Mustangs in the Trans Am and IMSA GT classes, posting numerous victories and top-10 finishes. In the 1985 race at Watkins Glen, St. James became the first woman to win an IMSA GT race driving solo, a mark that still stands. She later went on to race in the Indianapolis 500 seven times, winning rookie of the year in 1992 and setting a closed-course world record of 225.722 mph in 1995.

Since retiring from the top ranks of American racing, St. James has been an advocate, mentor and coach for women in all sports, particularly racing, and still competes in vintage racing today.

"I'm a product of the muscle car era, and when I think about the muscle cars of the 1960s, like the Cutlass and the GTO, they aren't around anymore," said St. James. "Mustang has survived, flourishing with the same culture and heritage in the sense that it's still a muscle car, but upgraded to today's technology, and it's still hot." For 50 plus years, women have helped to establish the iconic status of Ford Mustang, and they will continue to be a part of the story for future generations.

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# Go Dirt Karting - Action Kart Raceway

The annual Dirt Kart club night was held on Tuesday 26th September at Action Dirt Karts.

A great turnout of club members for this event. A number of the usual suspects and a great showing of newer members gathered to have another go on the dirt and make good on any promises of payback from previous years. The format was two longer races as the crowd had to be split into two groups.

The pace was hard and fast from the beginning with the enthusiasm of the participants showing through. The pre-race briefing reinforced the non-contact nature of this activity. Well, realistically that's not going to happen and there will always be a bit of biff on the track. The hose was out in force, used to lubricate the track surface, this also helps to reduce traction and increase the amount of sideways action.

Several times the action ground to a halt with a number of karts stopped across the track. A few bumps and bruises were received and a generous helping of mud in the eye. I was sure that the horsepower of our karts has not increased any since last year. In the end it was Zac West, with the fastest lap and the most laps, who



Club History— Go Karting—2009

held off the challenge from Buzz and the rest of Team West to win and take possession of the coveted steering wheel trophy. Special mention to Westie as the winner of the hard luck prize,

OK so there wasn't one, who managed to break his first kart and had to resort to a pit stop to swap. This didn't slow him down any. After a small prize giving ceremony we shifted camp to the Highway Inn truck stop and some well deserved rehydration.

*Story by Tony Schreuder*

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# Down Under on Route 66

We know it by lots of names. The Mother Road, Will Rogers Highway, or even the Main Street of America. But in reality it's all just plain and simple - Route 66.

It's a piece of USA that's steeped in history, although in historic terms it's not really old. In European terms it wouldn't even be considered old enough to be historic. Even by new world standards it's almost modern.

So, what is that makes it arguably the most well know piece of road in the world? Robyn and I were first touched by its magic when we traveled from Santa Monica to Chicago as a sort of belated honeymoon. Our old '69 Mach I was still in restoration in Melbourne (still is actually! LOL) so Robyn suggested we hire a Mustang and travel Route 66 instead. Typically I took that one step further and suggested we buy our own Mustang... so we did! A 2007 Stillen Mustang, one of three supercharged V8's built by ex pat Kiwi Steve Millen in California.

The silver stallion, resplendent with deep cherry red roof and hood accent carried us from west to east and we were hooked... but we'd seen another Stillen as we left LA so we sold ours (Bruce & David Street now have that car safely in Christchurch) and purchased the 'gold ecstasy' yellow 2010 Stillen and shipped it to Chicago to do the return run with Bruce in his new car and another couple of interested friends.

We were starting to understand the attraction of finding new adventures and meeting new people by now and our friends on that trip certainly enjoyed it. Pretty soon friends of friends were asking about coming along, so we had another shot.

This time we flew to Baltimore to collect our Mustang (we'd also been exploring many other parts of USA by road as well) and met our latest group and their rental Mustangs in Chicago. Another great run with four Mustangs led to more enquiries and encouragement to open the tour up to a wider group and by the end of May 2017 we'd successfully run more trips including two tours back-to-back up and down the Mother Road with a total of 20 couples and/or mates.

There are plenty of tours that can take you on Route 66, some in the popular convertible Mustang, some in your own car but most are larger groups and often pretty expensive. We're just a small low key boutique tour with limited numbers that get us in to parts of mid America you wouldn't ever see. A good example is our friends in Illinois who once ran a gas station and now show visitors through the old station when they're rostered on as volunteers. What you won't normally see though are their Hot Roads that have won top awards across the states, just a few blocks away. When they welcome you into their home you start to understand how important this road was back then... and still is now... and you get to meet real Americans, not just the tourist attractions.

You'll come here to experience one of the most famous historic roads but you'll soon learn it's the people almost more than the road that really make the experience so special.

The most regular comment by the girls on our tour is "I'm doing this for 'John' as he really wanted to drive Route 66 but I didn't realise just how much more there was to see and do... it's not just been all driving and car museums, it's been a real highlight for me too".

If you're interested in joining us for a bucket list adventure of a lifetime, driving a new convertible Mustang then drop us a line. We're finalising trips in May / June 18 and perhaps more later in Sept/Oct 18 so be in touch if you think this sounds like you! Check out the website [www.downunderonroute66.com](http://www.downunderonroute66.com) for info or contact CMOG members Robyn & Paul Mullan by email - [paul@blackmagic.com.au](mailto:paul@blackmagic.com.au) or 027 284 9194.

The image shows a screenshot of a website for 'Down Under on Route 66'. At the top left is the 'Down Under on Route 66' logo. To its right are navigation links: HOME, YOUR R66 ADVENTURE, PLANNED TRIPS, ABOUT US, R66 HISTORY, and CONTACT. The main heading is 'Down Under on Route 66' in a large, white, serif font. Below it is the subtitle 'A boutique Road Trip along USA's Mother Road' in a smaller, white, serif font. Underneath the subtitle is the text 'with Robyn & Paul Mullan CMOG members'. On the right side, there is a small inset image showing a group of people on a road trip. Below this inset is a starburst graphic that says 'Bookings being accepted for May/June 2018 Book Now!'. At the bottom right, there is a black banner with the text 'Story by Paul Mullan' in a white, cursive font. The background of the website is a sunset over a road with a car silhouette in the foreground.

# CMOC - Ashburton

Tuesday the 12 of September was a date I'd been looking forward to for some weeks with the beginnings of an Ashburton group though the CMOC. We met at Ashburton's Ford dealership, where we were given a comprehensive tour though the stunning new building by Peter Gluyas.

There was a gathering of approximately a dozen people and we were very fortunate to have our club president Gary Jackson join us. Colin Sweetman chaired the meeting in which local trips and gatherings were discussed as well as the wanting to link up with our friends from South Canterbury and Canterbury in general.

We also touched on the Ashburton members possibly been able to assist with venues for any such social gathering or Christmas parties etc, especially now as the CMOC being of such a large membership.

Prior to the conclusion of the meeting it was agreed our first outing as a group would be a coffee run though to Methven in approximately a months' time.



Leap forward now one month and the weather certainly was not on our side coupled with it being Bathurst Sunday, so it was rather heartening to see the numbers that turned up.

We departed Ashburton Racecourse area and convoyed on up to Methven to which we then arrived at a rather beautiful cafe in Methven.

The atmosphere was great, as was the coffee and wonderful food on offer.

A special Thank you to Colin Sweetman for having great foresight to get this Mid Canterbury group underway, as well as the encouragement from both Gary Jackson and Peter Gluyas. I'm sure this group is in great hands!



*Story and pics by Patrick Forde*

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# 38th National Mustang Convention



It's now been and gone and what a truly outstanding effort by our club to support the Southern Mustang Club to host their second Convention.

Everything kicked off for those attending the Convention a week before with life members Ray and Gail Spencer giving a presentation on how to prepare your Mustang for display which was hosted at the Mustang Centre. Cheers Rob!

A large number of our members assembled on Wednesday at the Air force Museum at Wigram. They were joined by Club members from the North Island (Auckland & Waikato) as they made their way south for the Highlands Experience in Cromwell to take a tour of the circuit before heading down to Invercargill.



Friday at the Ascot Park Hotel resembled a car wash and grooming show as Convention attendees whipped wheels off their cars, searched for dirt and grime on their ponies with military precision.

Luckily for everyone, we were able to put our cars into the ILT Stadium Southland on Friday afternoon as the weather forecast was promising liquid sunshine.

PS— Clubs helping clubs to prep their cars for the show was everywhere to be seen — outstanding!



# 38th National Mustang Convention Show Day

For some of us Show Day was either about “judging ponies”, Shoe Shopping, catching up with old friends from around NZ, visiting transport World or Motorcycle Mecca or chilling and watching the public take in 150 plus Ford Mustangs.



The Southern Club has organised a bus to collect the ladies for a girls day out. The cash registers were reported to be ringing louder than a Mach-1 racing down Teretonga.



# 38th National Mustang Convention Southern Hoe Down

At 4 p.m. the ILT Stadium Southland roared to life as 170 Mustangs began to exit and our minds shafted to Blue Jeans and checked shirts for the Southern Hoe Down at the Ascot Hotel, great company , great evening. One of the standouts of the evening was Garth Hogan - former drag racer. In 1978, Garth become the first person in NZ to reach 200mph (320km) in a car. Garth's personal pick of the day was a 60's Blue Mustang - a childhood memory for him.



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# 38th National Mustang Convention



Sunday's car run started with a drive through Queens Park heading north to Balfour Rugby Club rooms for lunch and then onto Teretonga Park for some laps. In the evening the awards were held at the Bill Richardson Transport Word. Museum. Our Club Members did an outstanding job of presenting their cars for judging which was backed up by the numerous awards we collected as a Club. Congratulations to all participants and also those who received recognition on the night.



## HISTORY OF THE SOUTHERN MUSTANG CLUB

BY ROGER BUGDEN



Back in October 1998 five cars decided to go to the Christchurch Convention, to be able to register for the convention we had to join the Canterbury Club.

Once we got back Phil and I decided to form a club, we called it the Southern Mustang Club, there was a good response to events and runs.

The first big event for the club was in November 2002, in conjunction with the Ford Falcon Club we hosted a car show at the old Stadium Southland with guest Alan Moffat. In 2003 we went back to the Christchurch Convention with over 20 cars.

Our membership has grown steadily over the years with many social events and car runs. In 2011 we hosted our first ever Convention, and have just successfully hosted the 2017 Convention.

*Congratulations on another fantastic convention Southern!*

# 38th National Mustang Convention CMOC Trophy Winners



1964 – 1966 Hardtop	1st Place	Rick & Andrea Paulsen
	2nd Place	David & Andrea Bannan
1964 – 1966 Fastback	1st Place	Kathryn & Glenn Martin
1967 -1968 Hardtop	3rd Place	John & Christine Quinn
1967 – 1968 Fastback	1st Place	Dick & Mavis Cleall
1969 – 1970 Fastback	1st Place	Steve & Suz Holland
1971- 1973 Fastback	2nd Place	Andrew Lange
2005 – 2009 Hardtop	3rd Place	Garry & Loretta Jackson
2010 – 2014 Hardtop	1st Place	Ray & Gail Spencer
2005 – 2014 Convertible	1st Place	Ian & Lyn Loffhagen
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Our shined up 65' Studebaker, driven by a very proud father of the groom and carrying the beautiful bride and very proud father of the bride and our 65' Mustang carrying the bridesmaids stole the show as they wound their way around the lake to the venue in the light rain.

This completely erasing the fears I had earlier about the Mustang not making, in true wedding style we can laugh now but for the Mustang, it was not a great day.

It started with the ride down to Ashburton where at Rolleston the back window started to leak. Some black towels hurriedly bought from the warehouse and on we went. We arrived at the motel park, unpacked and as I'm putting on my suit I hear someone outside yelling STOP-STOP-STOP but with a couple of more choice words, I run outside to find another person staying at the motel had decided to bring a trailer into the car park and try and attempt to park it around the back this meant a 90 degree turn past the Mustang and even with all the room was inches away from collecting the front of the car.

As I went back inside to finish getting ready as my dad moved the Mustang to take up two car parks instead of the one it was in. Then I heard what we all fear, the motor was making a horrific noise, once again went running outside in the rain in my suit yelling to shut it down at that point I saw my dad had the keys in his hand as we lifted the bonnet.

After finding a pair of pliers we got the battery disconnected but every time I touched it to the terminal the car started, turns out the starter motor would not disengage and would keep trying to start even though the motor was running, we got it sorted and we all crossed our fingers and she came through, even taking people back to the motel at the end of a great day. We can laugh now but I can tell you at the time no one was laughing.

[Story & Pictures by Shannon and Aaron Pringle](#)



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Robert McKenzie	2014 White Auto GT California Special
Dave & Dianne Austin	1965 Black Coupe 5 Speed Manual, 302
Andrew & Jo Ann Allan	1965 Silver Fastback 351W
Graeme Taylor	
Russell & Deborah Andrew	2007 Black Shelby GT 500 Manual Convertible
Neville & Robyn Carter	1966 White Auto Coupe 289
	2010 White Manual GT Convertible
Jason & Gina Field	and
	1965 Burgundy Auto Notchback



Q - This club member received recognition at this year's Convention : Can you name him?



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## Mustang Girls on Tour

Courtney Barber keeps on cruising in her Sixty-Five Road Warrior Mustang.

After many years of hard use the car was restored in 2015 and repowered with a 347 cu engine, four speed electronic automatic transmission, big disc brakes front and rear and upgraded suspension with rack and pinion steering. Wow.

Since then she has travelled roughly 50,000 miles in the car including a 13,337 mile road trip last year from South Carolina to Alaska and back in 30 days with her friend Amie Williams. The only casualties from the rough shingle roads were a broken rear shock absorber which took out a brake line and the accelerator pedal which came loose.

Google them at [teammustanggirls.com](http://teammustanggirls.com) to read about their travels and the car.

## One Million Mile Mustang

This white 1966 289 Mustang has been driven daily and has clocked up one million miles in 50 years. The first owner was a travelling salesman who drove the car for seven years. Alan Anderson bought the car for \$900 from a Ford Dealer in 1972 and drove it for the next 18 years. He then gave the car to his son Victor, who has been driving it ever since around San Francisco. The car was rear ended, causing \$15,000 of damage, hit head on and had a front guard kicked in. Victor persevered with the car and it still looks great.

The body was restored in 2002-2003.

The original 289 V8 is still fitted. It's been overhauled every 250,000 miles, first in 1980, again in 1993 and finally in 2003. The original automatic transmission and differential are still fitted and have both been overhauled twice.

Check it out on YouTube.



# OUR STIG!



## Fast Mustangs

Now the new 2018 Mustang can reach 60 mph in under 4 seconds, let's compare their performance with some of the older ones. These are authenticated figures recorded at a drag strip in Stanton, Michigan with the ¼ mile time in seconds and the terminal velocity in mph for stock standard older cars. The 2007 and newer car figures are from the internet so there could be variations depending on which site you view. They are all standard cars.

2018 GT	302 cu and auto	12.02 sec	116.94 mph
2015 GT	302 cu and auto	12.99 sec	109.64 mph
2012 GT	302 cu manual	12.37 sec	114.82 mph
2007 GT	281 cu manual	13.68 sec	102.29 mph
1969 Hardtop	428 cu and auto	12.51 sec	110.81 mph
1968 GT Fastback	428 cu and auto	12.54 sec	108.99 mph
1969 Mach 1	428 cu and auto	12.78 sec	109.28 mph
1970 Boss 302	302 cu manual	12.84 sec	109.07 mph
1971 Boss 351	351 HO manual	13.10 sec	108.64 mph
1971 Hardtop	429 CJ-R auto	13.23 sec	106.13 mph
1971 SportsRoof	429 CJ-R auto	13.52 sec	103.95 mph
1970 Mach 1	428 CJ manual	14.57 sec	97.22 mph
1966 Fastback	289 HP manual	14.61 sec	94.08 mph

Mustangs are tough and good at destroying tires. Watch some YouTube videos folks. It's a lot cheaper watching someone else destroy theirs. The good news is they are getting faster. Summer is here so let's get out and drive our Mustangs.

# EVENTS CALENDAR



## Rodders BREAKFAST

**1<sup>st</sup>** Sunday of every month at the Kustom Car Club, McLeans Island.

## CMOC FACEBOOK



This classic Mustang has received an electric makeover and is now "Plug & Playful".

## 2018

7th Jan  
**CMOC New Year Picnic**

20th January  
**Support**  
**Cromwell Classic Car Show**

3rd - 4th February  
**Scope Classic**

9th -11th February  
**Support**  
**Nelson Motor Show**

18th February  
**All Ford Day**  
**Organised by CMOC**

24th February  
**Support**  
**Hanmer Motorfest**

3rd March  
**The 30th Great USA Day**

16th -18th March  
**Support :**  
**Caroline Bay Rock 'n' Hop**

# UP AND COMING

**H**elping out on this edition

Our Stig , Garry J, Colin S, Paul W , Tony S , Diane T, Mr & Mrs P & to everyone who has assisted us in our first year as editors – Thanks heaps.

Just a reminder for all members– please feel free to contribute to your club Burble.

We are always on the look out for articles from club members and we will always do our best to include every article submitted to us within the limits of the publication.

Please, don't be shy! Stu & Nati



## Christchurch Convention 1988

**The first edition of 2018 will be dedicated to the origins of the club .**

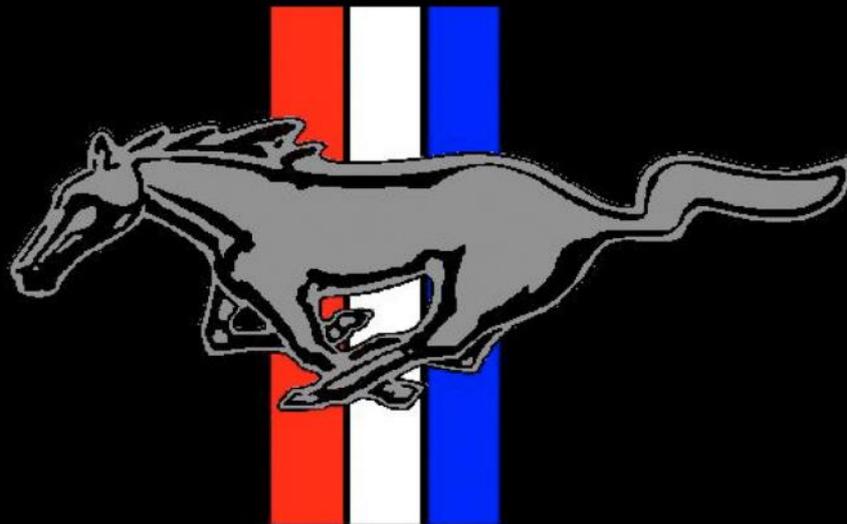
**Your editors wish to make this a collector's edition, but we need our foundation members (everyone really) to search out those old school photographs in your albums, news clips , just about anything from the golden years of the CMOC.**

**From 1988 until present day, write to us with your memories and together will can capture our club history.**

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