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If you are afflicted with Muscle Car Madness, or known affectionately by your family and friends as a 'Petrolhead', then you will be well aware where The Mustang Centre is located in Sydenham, also known in our household as 'The Club House'.

He didn't really stand a chance! Rob inherited his passion for all things motorised and fast initially from his Grandfather, then his Dad and his Uncle.

His first car at 18 was an MG with a side valve V8. Unfortunately he was responsible for racing and wrecking this rare car! We could probably count Rob and his mates as among the first of the 'boy racers'.

Rob started his career in the Motor Industry as an apprentice Motor Mechanic for his Uncle. In 1983 he gained his car dealership licence and set up his car sales yard and workshop.

Around eight years ago he decided he'd take a break from car sales with a view to looking ahead to retirement—it was at this time he decided to set up the Mustang Centre.

We're all hoping his retirement plans are a long way off as he brings so much energy and enthusiasm to muscle cars in general, Mustangs in particular and in his role as Vice President for the Mustang Club he introduces many new members. Besides he looks like he is having far too much fun!

Anyone who has dealt with Rob will know the value he places on building great relationships with his customers (who often become life long friends), where nothing is a bother and if he doesn't have items in stock—he'll source it for you.

The Mustang Centre services individuals and businesses from around New Zealand, selling parts and servicing any brand of muscle car or American car - Mustangs, Camaros, Chevrolts, Thunderbirds, etc you name it—they do it!

Rob also sources and sells quality late model Mustangs ex USA (and all the after market goodies you could possibly want to personalise your ride).

The demand for sales, parts and servicing in the workshop has grown as word of mouth spreads about the services offered. Rare and unusual items are no problem, for example he recently had to find a windscreen for a 1958 Oldsmobile.

So if you don't already know the team at The Mustang Centre (Rob, Hibbie and Paul) call in to say Hi and check out the range of goodies in stock.

Rob is a member of the 2014 Convention Committee and will be on the look out for volunteers to help with the event/s he is arranging.

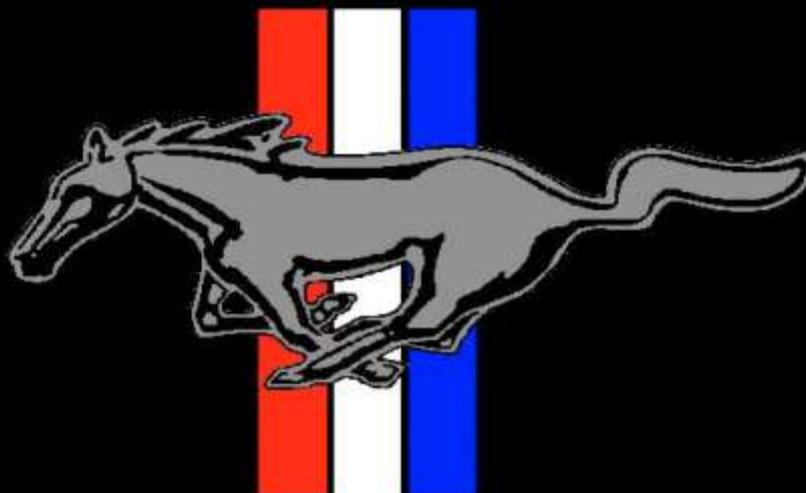
Not only is Rob known for his expertise in all things Muscle Car and Mustang, he has set new standards in trendy footwear for Club Members. Seen hear sporting a pair in quite subdued tones. Rock on Rob!



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From the Editor

Hi everyone - welcome to 2014. Lots of exciting things happening this year in Canterbury. It's great to see our city starting to rebuild and take shape from the rubble. Lots of patience still required as we transit around the city dodging road cones - it's hard to remember life before endless lanes of road cones!

I'm looking forward to the Cromwell trip mid month and then Nelson in February. Seems ages since we have seen many of you as Club outings have often coincided with prior commitments so looking forward to catching up with old friends and meeting some of the new members.

By now you will all be aware of the release of the 6th Generation Mustang (as shown below). Canterbury Club are in the unique and enviable position of hosting the Annual Mustang Convention this year, which coincides with Celebrations for the 50th Year of Mustang.

The Convention Committee have an amazing weekend planned and details will filter out to you over the coming months. Make sure you have the dates in your diary. This is one event you should definitely not miss.

If you know anyone who has a Mustang and is not a member of the Club, encourage them to join as you need to be a member of a New Zealand Mustang Club to attend the Annual Convention. Subs are \$45pa per family and Registrations forms are available online at <http://www.nzmustang.com/Clubs/Canterbury.htm>

Make sure you keep up to date with Upcoming Events listed on the Internet site and regular email updates from Ann Baird, our amazing Secretary.

Thanks to everyone on the Committee, to those who help organising events, and of course to everyone who participates when they can. See you soon. Dallas



2015 Coupe

The next generation Ford Mustang was unveiled on December 5, 2013 in 12 cities around the world - the 6th generation Mustang with styling a combination of the Mustang fastback and notchback coupes of the mid 1960s.

Ford will also begin to produce right hand drive models for United Kingdom, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia and other global markets with right hand drive. The new Mustang will be debuted as a global car for the first time ever.

The 1965 Ford Mustang was brought out five months before the normal start of the 1965 production year. The earliest versions are often referred to as 1964½ models,



1964 Coupe

VIN coded by Ford and titled as 1965 models with production beginning in Dearborn, Michigan on 9 March 1964.

The new car was introduced to the public on 17 April 1964 at the New York World's Fair. The car appeared on the covers of Time and Newsweek, advertisements appeared in more than 2,600 newspapers and on the major television networks.

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President's Report

Where has this year gone to? It's really hard to believe that over three months has flown by since I last penned my report for Burble. In that edition I was able to share our experiences from our visit to places like Russia, Poland and Turkey. Those places are now just a distant memory.

Thankfully we arrived back in time for the start of the spring cruising scene for those with classic cars. Personally I've had a rather busy diary this year and have only had limited opportunities to join you as many of you have cruised to places like Ohaua, Kaikoura and Ashburton.

I also managed to drop by the USA day out at Woodend but only late in the day. From my participation one thing really stands out to me and that is how neat it is to see a real mixture of longer term members together with lots of new Club Members. To me that is without doubt one of the most important aspects of being a club.

It's clear from our outings that the club is also just as much about those with a passion for the very latest in Mustangs. Either way I know we all get our kicks from that thing that is "Mustangs" that we all share.

We currently have around 165 membership families sharing a common attraction to things Mustang. Imagine if those workers that actually built the first Mustang's back in 1964 could have known just how great their contribution would be to future generations. Often when I see a vintage car cruising by I pause to wonder if those of us with the earlier Mustangs are just the next generation of vintage car owners in waiting.



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If you've enjoyed 2013 then you better buckle your seat belt as we race into 2014 with so much ahead of us

- The All Ford Day in February 2014;
- 50th Anniversary of the Mustang in April 2014;
- NZ Mustang National Conference in October 2014;
- The launch of the 2015 Mustang.

You better get out and buy a 2014 diary right now.

Santa will have been and gone by the time you read this. The Club Christmas get together set a new record for attendance numbers at Methven on 8 December 2013. Check out the Club Website for event details.

Thanks to you all for making our club what it is. Karen and I trust that you have all had a safe and happy Christmas with friends, family and loved ones (no that's not the car that I'm talking about).

Take care and keep on cruising
Jeff Waghorn - Club President



Jeff & Karen Waghorn

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Member Profile

John & Pauline Sullivan South Canterbury

John and Pauline are the proud owners of a 1969 Red Hardtop with a 302 C4 Auto. They have owned the car for around four years now and this is the first Mustang John and Pauline have owned.

John's desire to own his own Mustang stems from younger days following the racing career of Leo Leonard in the PDL Mustang. John had been looking for a Mustang for around 12 months when he spotted this one on the Internet in Christchurch around four years ago.

John says it's a good driver and he has no plans to do anything further to the car at this stage. He has reconditioned the motor since he purchased it, which is where he met Rob Donaldson at The Mustang Centre and heard about the Canterbury Mustang Owners Club.

John and Pauline live in Timaru, as do their four children and six grandchildren. Since buying the Mustang and joining the Canterbury Mustang Owners Club, John has also instrumental in forming the South Canterbury USA Car Club. The group started with around 12 people and has grown to around 70 enthusiasts.

As seems to happen with blokes who love Muscle Cars, the garage becomes too small and requires extending to cater for additional toys as he also has to keep his 2003 BA Ford XR8 300KW in the style. Watch this space as he has his eye out for a late model Roush or Shelby if he spots the right thing for him.

John is a keen supporter of V8 Motor Racing, having attended Bathurst three times and you'll also find him at Pukekohe or Hamilton any time the V8s are this side of the Tasman.



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Paul Banks - Owner

Member Profile

Hamish & Julie Johnson

Hamish and I have been in the Canterbury Mustang Owners Club for about 20 months now. It didn't really bother me whether we joined the club or not but Hamish was keen and we already knew a couple of members so that was a good start. I remember saying to Hamish before we joined, "this Mustang Club is not going to rule our lives!" (I have since been elected on to the committee....)

We both have very busy work lives with Hamish's being the manager at New Zealand Car Parts Chch and myself as an owner/driver for Kiwi Express Couriers (or should I say IRD grrrrr).

Both of us work about 50 hours per week and our social lives are fairly hectic too. Hamish loves rugby, infact most sports, any sort of car racing, classic cars, hot rods and is a professional surfer..... (t.v. sports channels that is.) Drives me bloody nuts! lol . (I have a 42in tv in our bedroom to save arguments.)

Me, well lets see, I love concerts, shows, plays, weekends away with Hamish and friends, bit of light reading, autobiographies, that sort of thing. We also keep the local Corner bar (Swiggers) in business with our frequent prescence.

We have been together for over 9 years and have just celebrated our second wedding anniversary in Hanmer, a place we love to chill out in at any time of the year.

Between us we have five children and a grand-daughter with their ages ranging from 26-17 and 7 years. None of the children live with us anymore but Lucy the cat loves to rule our house instead.

We have lived in Hoon Hay for 8 1/2 years and escaped the worst of the earthquake carnage with just minor damage and a broken swimming pool. (cheaper power bills, less work and none of the neighbours kids visiting now so all good!) Fill the bugger in I say!

Right! On to the Important part....."THE CAR". The current '66 mustang notchback was purchased in May 2008 through Westcoast Classics in Tauranga.

This is Hamish's third Mustang purchase. The first being in 1990, a '67 notchback that did not arrive!!! Guttred!!!

The second in 2000 through Southern Ford and Mustang in Ruby Bay, another '67. This was to be a project car putting an XR8 motor and trans in it. Then due to a change in Hamish's marital situation in 2004, all documentation mysteriously vanished into thin air. lol. The car was then left sitting in the garage for about 3-4 years as his enthusiasm had been lost forever,(along with the original papers.) It has since been sold to our friends and has slowly been restored. "OUR 66".

The third purchase has had a full ground up rebuild including motor and trans, and a complete colour change inside and out. Hamish spent many hours in the garage after work and weekends getting the car finished. I supervised from a safe distance of course, (usually at the Corner Bar...).

I did purchase a notebook for Hamish to write his "expenses" in to keep an eye on total costs etc but to this day it remains blank!

The car was always going to be a driver and not a show pony. We were however pleasantly surprised to win a "Top10" prize at Cromwell in January last year. That trophy went "straight to the pool room," (from the movie Castle), along with the two trophies we acquired at the 10 pin bowling night for coming 1st and 3rd. GO TEAM JOHNSON!!



1966 Coupe gets a full makeover



Hamish & Julie ... party time!



1966 Coupe - showing off at the head of Lake Pukaki

We have enjoyed the many trips/outings with the Club so far and meeting some entertaining and interesting people from all walks of life.

Weekend trips away usually include a bottle of Jaegermeister for the more adventurous members to "warm up" with - sorry- and if shot glasses have been forgotten the motel egg cups are a good substitute I must say...

My first big drive of the car was from Geraldine to Cromwell this year where I started to overcome my nervousness of driving this left-hand piece of machinery.

In fact I became rather cocky waving to a couple of speed cameras along the way. It was after a mufti cop coming towards us started flashing his lights that I quickly had to learn how to convert miles into kilometres.

Mmmmmm I'm pretty lucky they didn't turn around to issue me with an 80 mile an hour ticket. Hamish was naturally upset, not because of the speed but more so because of the fact that I had seemed to get away with it and he being a male would not have.

The hardest part of joining the club was getting through Mr Donaldsons 30 minute interrogation interview, held in a dimly lit room at the back of the workshop. His parting words were "you're not really the type of members we usually have but we'll make an exception in this case". (Sorry Rob, yes I know, it wasn't quite like that was it Rupert.)

Looking forward to future events now and fun times to be had with fellow Mustang enthusiasts.

Cheers, Jules & Hamish



Party time again



Top 10 Prize at Cromwell Car Show January 2013

Member Profile

Life Members - Glen & Kathryn Martin

We purchased our first Mustang in June 1976, it was 1966 GT Notchback.

Glenn was on his way to buy a Pontiac Transam and was side-tracked by the 66 Mustang 'For Sale' on the side of the road. As this was an extravagance Glenn went straight to his Father to ask for a loan and a few days later the Mustang came home. (So much for the Transam).

It was blue with gold pin-striping and eventually it became black with the same pin-striping. It has since had a couple of paint jobs since but has never had a full resto.

This was the only car we owned so it became our family car, baby seats on board and all. Over the years we have travelled most of New Zealand, and have managed to go through 2 motors and clock up 180,000 miles.

It has been a great car and has served us really well in the 37 years that we have owned it.



We lived in Greta Valley when Glenn was on the Pest Board and while at a Xmas break-up at Hurunui a guy called Julian Stills saw the car and approached us asking if we would like to join the Canterbury Mustang Owners Club. This was many years ago back in December 1981.

Seemed that it was a great idea to join and be amongst like-minded people. We attended a few gatherings over the next year. At this point Ray and Gail Spencer decided to join (Ray and Glenn had been mates since their school days).

Our first Convention was here in Canterbury back in 1983. Since then we have been to Conventions in every region in New Zealand.



After seeing quite a few Mustangs over the years we decided that we liked the look of the Mach 1 and so decided to import one from USA. We restored this in time for our local Convention and then 2 years later sold this to an Auckland guy.

This was then replaced by a 64 1/2 notch which we moved on to a local. Our next purchase was to be my 1966 Fastback which then under went a full resto and was ready for the 1998 Canterbury Convention.

This became a labour of love as Glenn and I worked on it every night and weekend to have ready for Convention. Glenn painted the car himself outside (no fancy spray-booth) back then.

We did really well at the Convention, Four Trophies in the back seat to take home, made our effort feel worth while. This was to be the beginning of many trophies to follow.

We have owned and operated a Panel and Paint Business in Rangiora for nearly 26 years.



Glenn having always been a Ford lover also owns a few other cars.....such as....1974 Fairmont, 1963 Galaxie and a 1969 GTHO Falcon. This has also been bred into our children with them owning Falcon's,a Galaxie and a Fairlaine.



Convention Report

2013
Hamilton



Convention Report from Maurice Ireland:

Thankfully it was an uneventful trip north to Christchurch, apart from torrential rain and peak hour traffic around the outskirts of Christchurch and we were lucky enough to strike one of those rare flat calm ferry crossings from Picton into Wellington.

Then it was off to Napier to stay with friends and pick up my co pilot Mike. He was on the lookout for those Tui Girls and insisted on stopping for some take-aways to see if he could find them. Wrong bars, the girls there were pretty happy to see this handsome looking lad from the south enter their domain, but they were grossly overweight shabbily dressed and very few teeth, Needless to say Mike was pretty quick to get back to the car and he gave up on his dream of finding the Tui girls this trip!!

Some running repairs to the electrics and then off to Hamilton. I managed to purchase 20 demerit points from a passing traffic cop on this great bit of road. I think they were on special for the weekend.

Thursday night arrival saw a few cars in the car park and the hotel starting to fill. Friday morning saw us off to Richard's garage to start getting rid of the grime and remnants of road works off the car and in show room condition. Thanks to Rod for arranging this who of course was off shopping! It took the Canterbury club pretty much all day to get 4 cars absolutely spotless and show ready.

Friday night saw registration and instructions take place from Hamilton club members, The whole Canterbury team was finally together including the Hamilton chapter, with a total of 6 cars. Rob was again successful with another auction win. Finger food was moving around so every one had to be on their toes to catch this.

Another 6.30 breakfast on show day then off to the Event Centre. Once all the cars were in place it was clear there were some very impressive cars on display. Shelley was off shopping again and this time took Rob.

Mike and myself got caught up helping the judging panel so got to get up close to a few of these beauties. Show time over it was back to the Kingsgate, Murray and Wendy had their beaut 36 Ford pick up in the car park which drew more attention than any of the muzzies.

The rest of the afternoon was standing around in the remaining sun in the car park exchanging lies and having a few fantas. The evening meal was Build A Burger theme which was hugely successful and popular.

Off to Matatamata race course for lunch and games on Sunday morning with strong wind gusts and heavy showers. The Hamilton Mustang Club managed to arrange a Corvette to be on it's side in a ditch with a distressed looking young fella and his dad standing close by with a traffic officer in attendance with all the cars Christmas tree lit up. A fine display well organised with 130 odd Mustangs driving pass .

Canterbury won the push and grunt with the finest effort on the day. Shelley the padlock girl, Ken the tyre remover, Gary the deflater ,Richard the reinstaller. Shelley got the Canterbury team off to a flier with her skills on show undoing the padlock. The boys pulled Southern off the tug of war platform with a couple of good hard tugs, Rob was confined to help Southern, I'm sure he helped us out.



6 cars entered, 7 trophies came home!

Rob & Shelley



Terry and Sandra



Maurice with wingman Mike



Richard & Angie



Gary & Loretta



Ken



Another tug against BOP, with no points on offer for Canterbury after a long struggle in the wind and rain, a loss.

But everyone happy and on the road again through some pretty countryside and a pass around Lake Karapiro and off to Hamilton to take in a great private motor collection and museum with a 50 - 60's themed cafe.

Back to the Kingsgate for a few fantas before prize giving. Richard was looking rather dasher in his pony jockey suit, looked like he could run in the Melbourne Cup.

An impressive Canterbury prize line up with 6 cars taking out 7 trophies, A great ride home although traffic was banked up from Levin to Wellington on the Monday. Time to stop and let the world go by with a few fantas at the local and have another crack at it the next day.

Another good crossing. The ferry definitely had two propellers when we were on it and everything was great.

All in all a great time had by all. Make sure you plan to attend Canterbury Convention October 2014 to celebrate 50 years of Mustang.

All USA Day - Nov 2013

The All USA Day in Woodend each November continues to draw large crowds. This year showing again how strong the Canterbury Mustang Owners Club is, with the Club Flags adding to the magic of the day and demonstrating the proud heritage of the Mustang with an amazing display of old and new models.





Member Profile



Dick went out looking to buy a motorbike and came home with a Mustang! The guy with the bike for sale told Dick "he shouldn't be mucking around with bikes – have a look at this Mustang."

Dick is obviously a man with vision and he could see past the dirt, dust and general state of disrepair to see what he could make of the car given a chance. So after some consultation with Mavis the car found itself in Dick's workshop (yes Dick has been around the traps long enough to know how to get his way with Mavis!)

The car we are talking about is their 1967 GT Fastback with a 390 in Lime Gold. It came out of California however it had been sitting forgotten and unloved in someone's backyard for years and was a bit of a wreck when Dick bought it, although the motor was pretty good apart from the head gaskets.

A two year full restoration project, (panel and paint work completed by Blenheim Panel & Paint), had this Pony ready to hit the road again in November 2004. Apart from a short stint back in the garage in May 2006 to fit a new oil pump and drive it has been constant cruising for this Mustang.

Most of you will know that Dick and Mavis's family fish and farm out of Kaikoura. They are no strangers to hard work and long hours so the additional two hour drive from Kaikoura to Christchurch to attend Club events has never been a problem, especially since Dick just loves to drive this car. He says it handles beautifully and he never gets tired of being behind the wheel.

Wayne & Annie Coster, who operated Southern Mustang & Ford Spares, introduced Dick and Mavis to the Canterbury Mustang Owners Club. This was the first V8 that Dick had owned however he has always had a Ford, and also currently owns the following: 1955 MKI Zephyr; Zodiac; 1974 GS Ford Falcon, 1976 Chevy Silverado Truck; 1980 Ford Ghia, 1982 Capri Sports.

The Chevy Truck arrived home after he went to the North Island to pick up a gear box for a boat! He was having a few beers with his brother (as you do) and mentioned a joker around the road who had the Chevy for sale Dick couldn't turn it down!! His son has the Zephyr at home as not surprisingly housing the cars is an issue. He has already lengthened the existing garage at home as much as he can to accommodate up to four cars under cover.

Driving the Mustang has not been without it's challenges at times ... their first outing in the Mustang was to the West Coast and Dick recalls over the course of the weekend he first lost the brake server and then the power steering pump called it a day. On another occasion coming home over the Hundalee Range at night the headlights gave out ... turns out that running both the head lights and spot lights on the old girl had overloaded the system! He now has really good lights and wiring now – no chance of that happening again not good for the nerves!



Kaikoura Hop



Above: Denis always has something to smile about—generally because he's up to no good!

Above left: Barb, Paula, Dawn, Christine & Jen enjoying the day out even if it is a bit cooler in Kaikoura this year.

Left: Ross, Brian, Paul and John—don't believe a word any of them say!

Below: Chris & Dawn enjoy a Fanta!



Rush Specialised Auto Body

Hi - I am Glen Rush from Rush Specialised Autobody, I am a 39 year old fully qualified panelbeater with 24 years experience in the industry,

My wife Trina and I have two daughters, Bianca 6 and Renee 3. My love of cars all started when I was a pre-schooler hanging around my Dad's panelbeating business right thru till I was able to leave school at 15 and get straight into panel beating for Dad.

After 8 years working for my father I headed out to several other panel shops to gain a wider scope of the trade then it was time to leave my home town of Oamaru and head to Christchurch where I worked in a large panelshop for 10 years.

During this time the after hours work was stacking up in the garage at home to the point it was time to go out on my own, which we did in 2007 specialising in classic and muscle car work which is what I enjoy the most.

After the quakes we were left with a home needing major repairs so we decided to sell up and raise the kids in my home town of Oamaru.

So we shifted the business south and carried on. The work load has remained very busy with work coming from Christchurch right thru to Gore,

I now share a workshop with Roger my father who still has a hand in the trade. The contacts I made in Christchurch have been a vital part of my business with ongoing referral work that I am very grateful for.

So if you have a classic needing minor repairs right thru to major chassis rail and floor replacements etc we'll happily take on any challenge, I offer a quality job at realistic rates.

Cars currently being worked on include: 2x Buick Skylark Convertibles, a 65 Mustang, a 69 Mustang an F100 truck, a 69 Camaro and Fiat Spyder Convertible; Holden Premier!

The workshop & work in progress!



Club Captain's Report

Hello all - The 2013 year ended with a very busy few months with car shows and the convention in Hamilton. Well done all those club members you won at these events.

The drag racing was a great weekend. Well done to Ray's team who came 2nd. It was an All Ford final.

Christmas has been and gone with a fantastic turn out for our Xmas run to Methven and an enjoyable and relaxed family picnic in the New Year to Diamond harbour.

It's great to see lots of new Club members coming along to events. The committee do a great job to organise events for you. But we are always open to ideas for runs. If you have any see one of the committee members.

2014 will be a big year for the Mustang and our Club. Planning for the Convention is well under way. (Thanks Team Convention).

The ALL FORD DAY is also coming around in February. I will be looking for helpers closer to the time. I am also planning a Saturday night run on the night before to promote the Event.



Rick pictured here with his immaculate PONY 66

Hope you have enjoyed Christmas and New Year celebrations. All the best for the year ahead.

Cheers Rick

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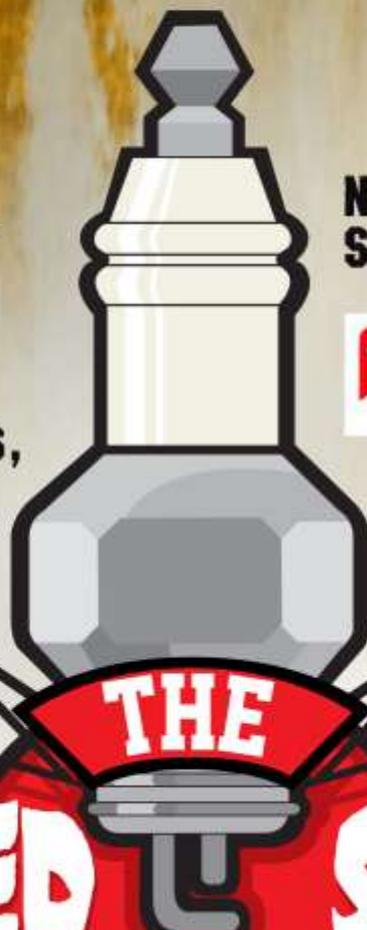
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