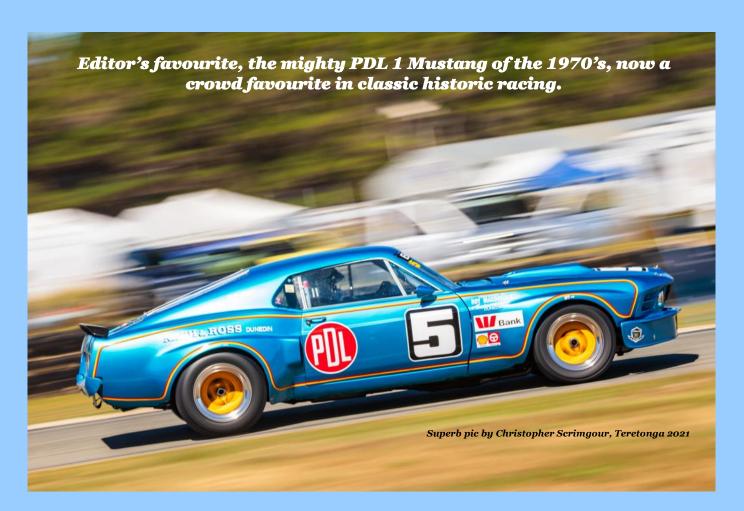
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President's Patter

Hi everybody, and welcome to the first Burble of 2021.

I hope that 2021 has kicked off well for you all. The summer seems to have lasted well, and from a North Canterbury viewpoint it's certainly dry. We're looking forward to some early autumn rains before the cooler days of winter arrive.

I also hope that you've all maximised the summer opportunities for some Mustang motoring, socialising and enjoyment. The CMOC Facebook page has certainly been busy with countless posts and pics of members and their Mustangs, from Glentunnel to Cromwell, Ashburton to Ruapuna, Caroline Bay (Timaru) to Hanmer Springs, and more. Great fun!

Before we talk about the months ahead, I want to pay special mention of the significance of the month of April 2021 it's the 40th anniversary since the formal founding of the Canterbury Mustang Owners Club in



April 1981! Readers might recall a story in the September 2020 Burble, when I documented some of the insights I had learned from two of the founding members instrumental in the formation of CMOC, initial President Alan Green and Warren Bruce. Since that story, I've since met with Doug Parker, also one of the original members. Obviously a lot has happened, and changed, over the forty years but our spirit and energies remain as strong as those early days. Happy 40th birthday to us all! And it's great to know that today we still have three members who actually first joined CMOC 40 years ago; Barry Fairbrass, Mark and Jude Hanson, and Robyn Quinn. For them, I'm sure it is a special memory!

As always there's a listing of planned events listed in this Burble, and further information will follow in our Friendly Manager CMOC system. There are four coming events that I would like to spotlight briefly in this column:

- The World Mustang Day celebration event on Sunday April 18, for which we're seeking as close to a full Club turnout as possible, to add weight to our special promotion with NewstalkZB regarding how important this date is in the Mustang legend
- The Mainland Muster event in Oamaru May 14-16 think of it as a great party with Canterbury and Southern members, in a very interesting town and lovely North Otago countryside. It's not to be missed!
- The CMOC AGM, in June (Saturday June 19 is a likely date, but not confirmed yet). As always, our AGM is an important get-together in the life of our club, and we do our best to make it interesting, engaging, and social.
- Our Ruapuna Track Day, Sunday June 28, the first for two or more years. We know that there are members who maintain their membership just for this event.

As you can see, exciting events and great occasions ahead. Get involved in the coming events, and hopefully the midyear weather in the coming weeks doesn't put a damper on hitting the road in our ponies! Enjoy,!

Best wishes.

Garry

Garry Jackson, President, Canterbury Mustang Owners Club

Editor's note

Welcome to this April issue of Burble, and I hope you enjoy the read.

I've tried to cover a wide range of CMOC activities, and other stories of interest. I was especially pleased to have seven members respond to the invitation (selected randomly from our date base) to fill our a member questionnaire, and you'll see each of their responses in the following pages. They each make great reading!

You'll see articles in this Burble regarding forthcoming events in the not too distant future, especially the World Mustang Day event on April 18, the Mainland Muster in Oamaru in May, and the CMOC in June. Please give them your attention if at all possible.

Enjoy, and thanks to all the people who made this issue possible

Thanks

Thanks to all those who have contributed to this Burble, including Dennis O'Brien, Patrick Forde, our members who told their personal stories, Glen Thomson, John Quinn, Barry Fairbrass, our advertisers, and all of you as our readers.

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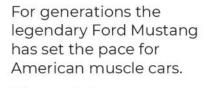
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Words from our Club Captain, Dennis O'Brien

Our Club is in great health. New members to the Club have embraced the spirit and social side. Ask for help and they are there. I was delighted when wandering around at the New Year's picnic to see some forming their own social groups and arranging coffee catch ups. People are in the Club for fun, friendship and their Mustang passion.

A scan of the Club records shows members have 91 of the current R/H drive model (2015-2021), 103 of the (2005-2014) model, 20 of the models from 1974-2004 and 144 of the first generation Mustang (1964-1974). Some members have more than one Mustang and most of these members are owners of the first generation cars and developed the Club over many years to what it is today.

This info and talking to you helps me to understand what you would like from the Club.

Social runs during the week that end up at an eatery and any event with a food/social aspect are popular ideas.

Events for ladies are another great idea. Drive your cars ladies, you own them.

A "Bring your oldest Mustang" run is another great idea.

We will introduce monthly social nights where we can meet with wives/partners for a meal and drink. The Club will support these by providing nibbles and a bar tab. Details coming soon.

The Club has had badges made to make committee members easier to identify at events. This was a suggestion from members.

A track day is coming up in June and the Club will be including food. This is a great chance to exercise your car without the fear of red and blue flashing lights.

Don't forget to plan for the Southern Muster at Oamaru in May and the Convention at Tauranga at Labour weekend.

The summer has been a busy time and we have been so fortunate to be able to move freely in NZ and use our Mustangs.

The Club is always evolving. Please contact me at <u>d-v.obrien@xtra.co.nz</u> or any Committee member with your thoughts and ideas.

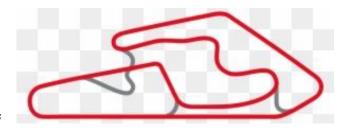


PS when you see our coming events listing later in this Burble, you'll see a number of new events, including a monthly social get-together on a Tuesday evening, plus others presently marked TBC. We're determined to expand our activities, to cater for all and to provide maximum engagement and pony outings!



Many members have enquired whether we are running a track day this year Yes, we are! Ruapuna, and the great services of Christchurch Track Days, are booked, and detailed communications will be emailed soon.

The plan is very similar to prior occasions. Three overall groupings: "slower cruise" (controlled); "faster cruise" (controlled, but with more flexibility); "open" (no pace car control). Open sessions require helmets and single layer race overalls.



As well as multiple sessions of these groupings, we will also run other special, such as classic (pre '70) and ladies only. Across the day the intention is to ensure that everyone gets as many laps as they possibly can, leaving no one disappointed. Cost per car (could be two drivers) is expected to be less than \$70..... the best value ever!

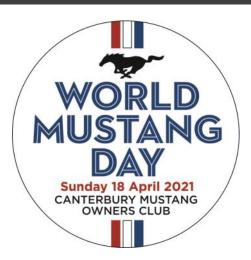
For members who have not done our Track Day before, it's a wonderful opportunity to really experience your Mustang in a controlled track environment, and to "practice" your best driving techniques, especially in areas such as cornering lines and apexing, trail braking, and smooth driving and car control, all of which benefits our normal open road motoring. Great fun!

Watch for further info and event reservation details.





World Mustang Day 2021



Mustang's birthday is just days away, and we'll be celebrating!

In the May 2020 issue of Burble, we compiled an extensive story all about the Birth of the Legend on Saturday April 17, 1964, and all aspects of how the Mustang launch was planned and executed, and the success that it kicked off.

Perhaps some key words in that article deserve to be published again, ahead of our coming World Mustang Day event. Plus another look at that fabulous launch advertisement!

"So, why is this story about April 17 1964, and subsequent National Mustang Day celebrations, important? It's because even today the essential spirit that is central to the Mustang brand and legend, and which characterises Mustang owners and enthusiasts, date back directly and continuously to what happened that day. April 17 1964 was the day that Mustang captured the hearts of the public who saw the new car as something special, a car that reflected their desire for fun and style and performance, an affordable car that embodied a sense of freedom and achievement, and a car that brought people together. That's very much what being a Mustang owner still means today, 57 years later."





As most of members will be aware, and in line with this important history, April 17 (or the closest suitable date) is now celebrated by Mustang clubs and groups all around the world as "Mustang Day". In the past we have arranged simple (non public) displays including a birthday cake, and two years ago we had a short run to Lyttelton, and a get together in the Heathcote Tavern. Last year we were locked down. So this year we are really breaking out, and we'll be shouting out loudly about how important and special World Mustang Day is! Details on the page opposite.



As per the details emailed prior to this Burble, and as per the CMOC events listing; key points are as follows:

- Sunday April 18,
- Assemble at 1.45pm for a 2pm departure from your choice of two assembly venues; Air Force Museum Wigram car park, or Papanui Club Sawyers Arms Road (route instructions will be issued)
- Arrive at about 2.30pm at the Court Theatre, Bernard St (off Lincoln Road), Addington
- Park up and display under the direction of CMOC staff in the large car park area
- Public expected from 3pm
- The Court Theatre large lobby area will be open: barista coffee, drinks bar, toilets
- THF BBQ trailer, staffed by CMOC staff
- "Smiles on faces" photo opportunities for public in selected Mustang convertibles
- All funds raised (including \$10 entry fee for CMOC members) will go to our two appointed charities, Home and Family and the Court Theatre
- Pre event promotion with the Chris Lynch NewstalkZB program 9am midday during the week of April 12, plus World Mustang Day advertising by Team Hutchinson Ford on NewstalkZB during the same week. President Garry Jackson will be interviewed by Chris Lynch on air at 11.35am on Thurs April 15
- The promotion will also be carried on Chris Lynch's Facebook page (tens of thousands of followers), on NewstalkZB website, and CMOC Facebook and website
- Close and pack out from 5.30pm

Our World Mustang Day event as above has been designed as both a celebration of Mustang's birthday, and as a promotion to showcase Mustangs, Mustang owners, and CMOC locally. We need every member possible to attend, with their Mustang! Plus you can think of it as <u>the</u> event that marks our CMOC 40th anniversary!





Our Christmas Lunch Party!

The CMOC annual Christmas lunch was held at the Ashburton Hotel this year after a number of years in Hanmer , we decided to try a new venue due to the closure of the Hanmer Heritage Lodge earlier this year . A group of us called into the Ashburton Hotel back in June and new straight away that this would be an excellent venue for our annual xmas lunch and we weren't disappointed . The multiple rooms worked out perfect allowing plenty of room between tables and the real bonus was having the buffet food available at both ends of the room so very little wait time for your meal . The food was excellent plus we had two bars open at the same time . We had a visit from Santa who wandered around the tables singing away to "A Holly Jolly Christmas "by Burl Ives as he entered the room , he then handed out presents to the children and left with the whole room singing while he handed out lollies and chocolates to every table as he departed , A Hugh thankyou to our mystery Father Christmas and a massive thank you to everyone who helped on the day and the dozens of people who offered help as well . Judging from the feed back from the 150 people who attended this may well be our preferred venue for the next few years so please make the effort to join us again in Dec 2021.

Glenn Thomson







CMOC's Annual Awards 2020!

One of the traditional features at the tremendous CMOC Christmas Lunch is the presentation of the club's Annual Awards, each of which recognises club members for significant achievement (or otherwise!) in various ways in the year gone by. These awards, individually and collectively, represent in many ways the heartbeat and spirit of our club, and accordingly they deserve special mention and profile. Here they are for 2020!

Service to the Club: Neville and Lesley Hyland

Neville and Lesley were recognised for the efforts, individually and collectively, that they put into the National Mustang Convention working committee, and the event itself last October. As first timers on this event, they really rolled their sleeves up and took on their assigned tasks and more. Neville (along with Tony Schreuder) was responsible for all the work on the Convention shirts, and with Tony the whole goodie bag project. Lesley played a wide-ranging admin support role through out the planning and the actual Convention itself. They brought a sense of purpose and humour to every subcommittee meeting, and to their tasks! Well done Neville and Lesley!





Most Understanding Partner: Paul ("Doc") Williamson

Doc's award as the club's Most Understanding Partner is both recognition of Doc's profile within CMOC, but also an appreciation of the relentless efforts of his partner, Jude Davidson, as one of our star volunteers who always steps forward to help out with any task, irrespective how much time it might take. This was especially evident in some of the admin tasks during the Convention, and equally evident always was Doc's understanding and support, irrespective of how that task might be impacting on their other priorities. A most deserving winner, and we're all grateful and appreciative for their (combined) efforts!



Publican's Choice: Brent and Marion Morrow

Publican's Choice is not about bar-side attendance, but the favourite Mustang in the car park as judged by the designated Hotel Ashburton staff, based on whatever catches their eye. Their choice, somewhat fittingly we thought, was the gorgeous '68 Coupe of Brent and Marion Morrow. Well done!





Spirit of the Club: Jeff and Karen Waghorn

This is the premier CMOC award, represented by a superb trophy and donated by Peter and Dallas Geddes some years ago. The Spirit of the Club award covers a wide set of criteria: enthusiasm for everything Mustang and for CMOC; effort and hard work (going the extra mile); service to the Club in some form of important role; a positive attitude and willingness to be involved in any or all aspects of the club; and being engaged and connected across the club (ie a friend to many or most members).

For 2020, the Committee's decision was relatively clear cut, recognising the service and contribution of Past-President Jeff and Karen Waghorn over many years, together with their active involvement in our events and activities today. Well done, Jeff and Karen!

Most Enthusiastic member: Bob Harris

In a club full of enthusiasts, Bob stood out for this award by the extra efforts he always goes to, whether that be attendance at just about every single event throughout the year, to his extra efforts and personal help on things like the club BBQ (including organising the food!), promotional contact with local radio stations, and his easy-going approach to always be talking with and encouraging others. Congratulations Bob!

Hard Luck Trophy: Jo Pascoe

As we've said before, the award that nobody really sets out to win! During the CMOC West Coast trip last November, at the commencement of dinner at the Beachfront Hotel in Hokitika, and as everyone was mixing and mingling as we took our seats, some of us decided the room was a little stuffy. The hotel staff were a little slow to respond to us, so without any further hesitation Jo stepped forward to open one of the windows herself. Not a problem, except the window fell directly out of its frame, crashing to the ground three floors down! Bugger!, but also a lot of laughs, and a trophy to commemorate the occasion!

Most Entertaining Member: Peggy Dilger

In prior years, to be honest, we have struggled a little to find someone who has stood out as the 'comedian" of the club. Not this year! Peggy was our unanimous and instant choice, based on her style and presence in everything she does for us and our club her inimitable style, use of language, sense of humour, distinctive communication, and more. Peggy, we love you! Congratulations!

(Note: Peggy, Jo and Bob were not able to attend the Lunch, hence no pics)

Special thanks to Glen and Diane Thomson as our chief organisers, Andrea and Dave Bannan for the Christmas present shopping, Treasurer Christine for managing the admin, Santa himself, Dennis O'Brien for the run south, and the Hotel Ashburton staff who rose to the occasion. It was pleasing to note the increased attendance of "southern" CMOC members, and the capability of the Hotel Ashburton itself to manage all of our requirements. The widespread feedback your Committee received was just how good the event was, and I think you'll see us back next year! Garry



The Great All Ford Day 2021

Fabulous cars, generous sponsors, prizes and trophies galore, hardworking volunteers, happy faces, friendships rekindled, food, fun and great weather are the ingredients of the All Ford Day.

A fabulous flying display by world champion Alex Hewson was a highlight and had people buzzing. He made impossible manoeuvres look easy and can probably walk on water as well.

This year we supported ParaFed Canterbury, an organisation supporting athletes with impairments and the Wigram Airforce Museum. Cheques were presented to both organisations on the day and the Club is delighted to be making further contributions to each organisation after a final tally up of proceeds from the day.

Thank you to all the volunteers who gave their time setting up the advertising trailer and billboards, marking and setting out the grounds, installing the audio visual system, erecting gazeboes, running the raffles, the car parking, manning the entry gates, judging the cars, organising the vendors, arranging the Ford dealer display, chasing sponsors, providing bins and removing the rubbish, arranging certificates and trophies and packing up at the end of the day. Without your help it would never happen.

Without the cars on display there would be no event. We had 340 great machines to drool over, the dedication and passion of their owners obvious and the public who were in petrol head heaven .

The inter-club challenge was hotly contested and wrestled from the Falcon/Fairlane Club by our Club this year. Along with a big shiny cup we get to set the challenge for next year. Put your thinking caps on people and roll on next year's event.

Dennis O'Brien







All Ford Day 2021: Major Award Winners

Best in Show - Dean Stavreff: Ford Shelby 2006

Best Veteran - Brendan Wright: Ford Model T 1915

Best Vintage - Michael Newman: Ford Pickup 1942

Best American - Dean Stavreff: Ford Shelby 2006

Best Australian - John Cunningham: Ford XK Ute 1961

Best British - Jill Peters: Ford Model Y 1934

Best Presented - Ray Spencer: Ford Fairlane 1957

Best Interior - Maria Van Nus: Ford Mercury Montego 1969

People's Choice - Kevin Jellyman: Ford Double A 1931









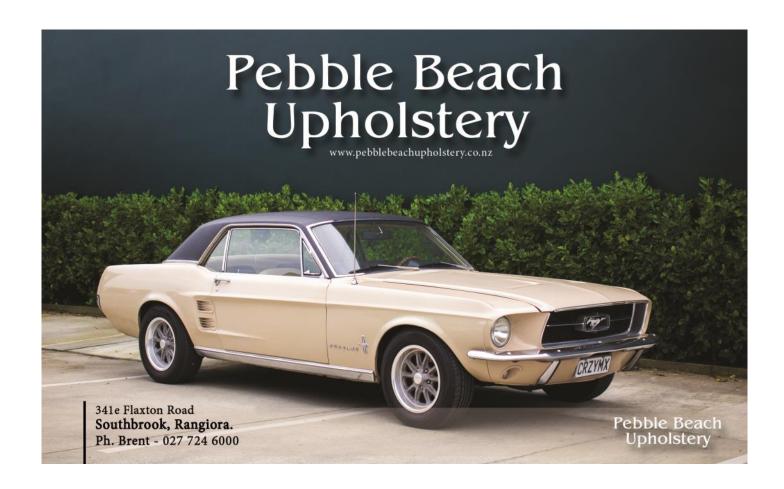








Special thanks to CMOC Club Captain Dennis O'Brien who led all of the planning and implementation of the All Ford Day 2021, and to his great CMOC team who helped out in so many ways to make it such a success. Thanks also to all our sponsors and supporters. The number of fabulous Fords on display was perhaps the largest ever, the public attendance was strong, we made generous donations to our chosen charities, and we made a small surplus for our Club. Thanks to all!!



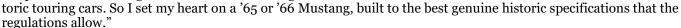


Barry Fairbrass CMOC's proud & fast racer!

Life member of CMOC Barry Fairbrass is setting the pace for the club! And he's doing it in a way that most (if not all) of us envy, competing in the burgeoning historic and classic motorsport scene in his 1966 Mustang racer, built from scratch and developed by himself!

Barry's motorsport endeavours actually started a few years ago, when he acquired a Fox Body Mustang and competed in the open sports sedan and Osca races across the South Island, with the annual Skope meeting at Ruapuna being a regular feature for him (and for us). Barry built and developed this car to the best his budget would support, but he knew that midfield performance would be his best, given the increasing investment and sophistication being built into the front running cars.

As Barry says, "The Fox was really a dabble for me, a chance to get involved, have fun and fly the Mustang flag, but I always wanted to do a big project. I was up for a challenge, and I particularly liked the new direction we're seeing in NZ motorsport with increasing numbers and events for genuine his-







Barry's project commenced in 2019, when he saw advertised a rust free (but very second hand) '66 Mustang notchback, 289 manual with pony trim ... the perfect kick off point.

With the growth in historic and classic racing, and the associated regulation registers and controls, Barry used the Tauranga based Mustang motorsport guru Dale Mathers as his guide as to the exact build schedule and specifications necessary to build a top performing Mustang. But while Dale was the helpful phone guide, all of the actual work was Barry's, his first ever full race car build.

The old '66 was stripped, sanded, full roll cage, painted, electrics, suspension and steering, all the required interior features, and even the inclusion of CMOC as part of the final livery (in US TransAm racing in the late 1960's, a number of leading Mustangs carried the name of "Mustang Clubs of America" on their cars).

The only piece of the build that Barry outworked was the actual engine build, which was done by Andrew Hickling of Engine Reconditioning Services in Tai Tapu, well known for his race engines in a number of local top running race cars. Barry's Mustang runs a 302 with a steel Ford Motorsport block with 4 bolt mains,



4 barrel Holley carburettor, race headers, 450hp, Top Loader close ratio gearbox, Koni shocks, race springs using original mounting points, rear panhard bar, the biggest Wilwood brakes that fitted within the 15 inch race wheels, and hours and hours of detailed planning and installation.







The car's first public appearance was in the 2020 Mustang Convention car show, and then on track in testing sessions in November. Barry's first race meeting was the Wigram Revival meeting at Ruapuna last November, followed then by the two classic/historic meetings in February this year at Levels (Timaru) and Teretonga (Invercargill). His final race of this season will be the Festival of Speed meeting at Highlands Park in April.

Well done Barry! We love it!!

(and we're very jealous)

PS. In case you didn't know, Barry's CMOC life membership as mentioned in the opening paragraph recognises his role as one of the founding members of our club, back in the last months of 1980 and in early 1981 (CMOC was incorporated in April 1981). I think he's as enthusiastic today (if not more so) as he was 40 years ago!









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CMOC member profile: meet Tony & Sharyn Schreuder

What Mustang (or Mustangs) do you own today?

1969 Convertible

Tell us a little about you present Mustang(s).

I purchased this Mustang in 1999. After deciding to purchase a classic car and also deciding that it had to be a Mustang, I began looking. I had seen a number of 1969 convertibles at various locations including the Rangiora Muscle Car Show. When this particular car was advertised locally I had to check it out. Talking to the then owner, I discovered that all those cars I had seen were actually all the same - this one! Call that fate if you will. Needless to say I bought it.

When did you first become interested in Mustangs, and why?

As a young boy I was interested in classic cars and had lots of Matchbox models, many of them Mustangs

Outside interests?

Rock climbing, cycling, whiskey

Imagine that you have just won Lotto! What's the one specific Mustang that you would buy? Why?

I would love a 1967 390 Fastback GT. It's just an iconic model

What's your favourite road trip or highway that you especially enjoy in your Mustang?

Cant't go past the road from Wanaka to Hokitika, over the Haast Pass and up the wild West Coast.



Anything by Pink Floyd

When did you join CMOC? Any particular reason why you joined?

1999. I joined to connect with like minded and passionate Mustang enthusiasts.

Thinking of CMOC's activities and events over the last year or so, are there any changes that you'd like to see? more pony runs? more social events? more visits to interesting places? other suggestions?

As a member of the CMOC Committee for more years than I care to admit to, I believe that every committee member is invested in bringing an interesting and varied array of events to the members of the club. I full believe that this has been done well over the last 12 months, regardless of the restrictions that the global pandemic has brought upon us. With a club of our size I 'm sure that a good number of members would a attend a simple informal catch-up over a beer.

Any other comments, or ideas for CMOC?

As I stand down from the committee this year, I am confident that the club is in great hands and will only continue to go from strength to strength.





CMOC member profile: meet Mike and Julie Costigan

What Mustang (or Mustangs) do you own today? 2016 Fastback GT 5.0L

Tell us a little about you present Mustang(s).

Purchased 2018 in Nelson. Loved the colour Magnetic Grey with silver wheels. I've always preferred the 2016 model because of the shape of the front

When did you first become interested in Mustangs, and why?

I've always liked Mustangs, especially the new shape models

Outside interests?

Large car model collection (hot rods, muscle cars, Mustangs). Travelling, grandchildren and family.

Imagine that you have just won Lotto! What's the one specific Mustang that you would buy? Why?

2021 Selby Widebody with 800 horsepower! Why? Just so that I could say that I own one



What's your favourite road trip or highway that you especially enjoy in your Mustang?

Christchurch to Kaikoura

What are your top road songs for a great Mustang journey?

Gene Pitney - Twenty four hours from Tulsa, Something has gotten hold of my heart. Righteous Brothers - Unchained melody. Disturbed - The sound of silence.

When did you join CMOC? Any particular reason why you joined?

2019. I thought joining the club would be knowledgeable as well as sociable.

Thinking of CMOC's activities and events over the last year or so, are there any changes that you'd like to see? more pony runs? more social events? more visits to interesting places? other suggestions?

No particular comments

Any other comments, or ideas for CMOC?

We'd like to see a system introduced to better recognise new members, and to make them feel welcome.



CMOC member profile: meet Chris Nee

What Mustang (or Mustangs) do you own today?

1995 Mustang GT, 302 ci Auto in Deep Forest Green

Tell us a little about you present Mustang (s).

I bought "The Mistress" in Tauranga in Nov 2018, after recovering from a motorcycle accident. Long story ... busted leg and no motorbike. Since then I've quite a bit to make her as "I" thought she should have rolled out of the factory, which includ-



ed a lot of "glad I did that It was fxxxxd". I had owned a 1994 Mustang GT when I lived in Oman during the second Gulf War; it was one of 1307 painted an Iris (a '94 colour only). The reason that I chose this model is because they were, and still are, not the most popular model - "too rounded and too European" for some - and because there are not many in NZ. I wanted something different to the classis and new shapes. And this model is appreciating quickly now.

When did you first become interested in Mustangs, and why?

Since I got my licence, I have been interested in anything with a V8. My first was an XC Fairmont Ghia.

Outside interests?

Muay Thai. Travel

Imagine that you have just won Lotto! What's the one specific Mustang that you would buy? Why?

1995 Mustang Cobra R. Why? it's a 351 Windsor, manual, barebones stripped down Cobra, there were only 250 ever built and it is a road legal race car. Otherwise a 32 Deuce, a 34 Chev Tudor, a '67/'68 Camaro, a SLR5000, a "68 Doidge Charger, or an A9X

What's your favourite road trip or highway that you especially enjoy in your Mustang?

The last trip!

What are your top road songs for a great Mustang journey?

Duhast by Rammstien, Sound of Silence by Disturbed too many songs on my Spotify to list

When did you join CMOC? Any particular reason why you joined?

2 weeks after I got the Mustang. Wanted to be with like minded people, but who appreciate all makes and models

Thinking of CMOC's activities and events over the last year or so, are there any changes that you'd like to see? more pony runs? more social events? more visits to interesting places? other suggestions?

Saturday runs, because I miss most Sunday runs due to shift work, and lateshifts starting on Sunday night.



CMOC member profile: meet Debz and Les McCann

What Mustang (or Mustangs) do you own today?

1965 Mustang Notchback

Tell us a little about you present Mustang(s).

We purchased this Mustang in Jan 2017 in Balclutha. We purchased it off TradeMe when we decided to get a Mustang and I just loved the purple colour and I slowly convinced Les that this was "the one" after I made the deal with the owner I just knew he was genuine and that we were buying a great Mustang! We were so right and have never regretted getting this car, our very first pony car.



When did you first become interested in Mustangs, and why?

I have had a passion for classic cars, mainly American muscle cars since forever! Never a girly girl, and it was always my dream to own a Mustang one day, but didn't know it was possible but my dream came true!

Outside interests?

We also have had various Harley bikes that I ride on the back with Les, but now our current pride and joy is a 2020 Harley trike in black! It looks good in the garage with the purple Mustang!

Imagine that you have just won Lotto! What's the one specific Mustang that you would buy? Why?

I'm not sure if I can answer this question, because in my mind every Mustang is special in its own unique way and at the moment for me at least, my purple '65 Notchback V8 stroked to 347 is the perfect pony!

What's your favourite road trip or highway that you especially enjoy in your Mustang?

The back road through to Leeston via Prebbleton and Lincoln, turning off at Springston, and then a great ride to Leeston with opportunities to give your pony the bit to run with! Yeeha!

What are your top road songs for a great Mustang journey?

Because I listen to a lot of alternative music, I don't think many would know of them, but the Foo Fighters - Everlong is a goody! Also Radio Nowhere by Pearl Jam, and Interstate Song by Stone Temple Pilots!

When did you join CMOC? Any particular reason why you joined?

We joined in 2017 as soon as we got our Mustang, and we joined to meet up with other Mustang owners, to talk and listen and, of course, show off our prized ponies!

Thinking of CMOC's activities and events over the last year or so, are there any changes that you'd like to see? more pony runs? more social events? more visits to interesting places? other suggestions?

More pony runs would be great and I would love to be able to do the Ruapuna race day that we used to do as that was epic! Trips away for a few days would be good. Other than that very happy to be part of this club and like minded people.

Any other comments, or ideas for CMOC? Keep up the good work



CMOC member profile: meet Steve and Donna Wigg

What Mustang (or Mustangs) do you own today?

2006 Mustang GT

Tell us a little about you present Mustang(s).

We have always been interested in muscle cars and when this one came up out of Nevada with one US owner on 20" chrome deep dish alloys and K&N air intake, we thought it was the car for us. So as our number plate says, "Just do it", we did it - it was an impulse buy but we love it.



When did you first become interested in Mustangs, and why?

(Steve) Since a boy I have been into Mustangs from Matchbox to model making, then Autoart diecasts

Outside interests?

Car shows, music, rugby, and home renovation

Imagine that you have just won Lotto! What's the one specific Mustang that you would buy? Why?

I wouldn't buy just one. I would have a stable of them but my two favourites would be a 2013 ShelbyGt500 Super-Snake and a '67 Shelby GT350 K code.

What's your favourite road trip or highway that you especially enjoy in your Mustang?

I really enjoy all roads, but I like the road from Oxford to Loburn, via Ashley Gorge and Birch Hill Road

What are your top road songs for a great Mustang journey?

Road to Hell by Chris rea, and Wagon Wheel by Darius Rucker

When did you join CMOC? Any particular reason why you joined?

We joined 2018, and we really like the car runs and picnic

Thinking of CMOC's activities and events over the last year or so, are there any changes that you'd like to see? more pony runs? more social events? more visits to interesting places? other suggestions?

More pony runs, or another mystery run per year. Even a car movie evening would be great

Any other comments, or ideas for CMOC?

The Club is in good shape, great President and committee. We really appreciate all your hard work that they are doing for CMOC 2020 / 2021



CMOC member profile: meet Gary and Gaye Walker

What Mustang (or Mustangs) do you own today?

2017 Mustang Convertible in Race Red

Tell us a little about you present Mustang(s).

We purchased our baby a month ago, and we love having the hood down and cruising around Canterbury. This is our first Mustang; previously we have had Holdens and classic motorbikes



When did you first become interested in Mustangs, and why?

Always loved Mustangs, we tossed up between another Redline and a Mustang four years ago, in hindsight a bit of a fopar.

Outside interests?

Family, especially the grandkids. Gardening, and anything to do with shooting

Imagine that you have just won Lotto! What's the one specific Mustang that you would buy? Why?

Probably order a new Convertible. Any more power would probably get me into trouble with the Fun Police!

What's your favourite road trip or highway that you especially enjoy in your Mustang?

Just love cruising in the countryside and stretching her legs when the opportunity presents. The little black thing on the windscreen is a must!

What are your top road songs for a great Mustang journey?

We are baby boomers so anything involving rock 'n roll will be on the playlist

When did you join CMOC? Any particular reason why you joined?

We have just joined up and are really looking forward to mixing with like minded people and enjoying our Mustang

Thinking of CMOC's activities and events over the last year or so, are there any changes that you'd like to see? more pony runs? more social events? more visits to interesting places? other suggestions?

Can't wait to join in!



New year's picnic, Glentunnel

A great turnout for this years New year Picnic at one of our favourite grounds, the Glentunnel Domain. Again well organised by committee member Mark Hanson, he not only provided a fine, sheltered day, and lots of green grass, he also created some easy to play competition games that somehow combined the throwing action of basketball and the dynamics of softball. Adding to the atmosphere was a small team of cheerleaders (members who's health or fitness ruled them out of competition) who made all the right noises. It was a lot of fun even if the judges seem to change the rules as the games proceded! The turnout for the event was great, and it was wonderful to be able to walk around and mix and mingle. It was just the way 2021 should be ... relaxed and happy, and Mustangs to the fore!

Thanks Mark and team!











Cromwell Car Show

The annual Cromwell Classic Car Show hosted by the Southland Ford Falcon Club was held at the showgrounds on the 16th January and with the Covid restrictions at level 1, a good attendance was expected. Significantly also the Gibbston Valley Music Festival was scheduled for a week later so the car show was the big event in town. With no major competition it was natural that total entries were up and so it proved with 860 plus vehicles of all sorts on display.

We began proceedings with a meal out at the Cromwell Town and Country Club on Friday evening for some, while other chose to take part in the car parade through the town and environs. The highlight of the evening was the huge desserts dealt to by Jeff and Denis.

The weather on Saturday was extremely hot as we have become accustomed to at this venue with hats and sunblock being desired accessories. Big crowds of locals and holidaymakers poured in and assured a successful return for the hosts.

The vehicles on display were of an amazing standard with a variance of types not seen at other events of this type. All the usual American and Aussie classics but also such diverse entrants as Mazda rotaries, Ford Escorts and a McLaren Supercar. We parked up as a club as much as was possible under the constant stream of classics pouring into the park. Southland would have to be the spiritual home of the Ford Falcon in this country – they seem to come out of the woodwork down there.

We didn't take away any prizes this year but there is always next year and this is such a good event and well worth making the trip south for. Mark it in your event calendar for next year. Cheers John Quinn













Electric Blue and 180 MPH!

Burble has a track record in showcasing Mustangs with significant or special status, and this April issue is using the present uptick in historic and classic racing to feature one of the Editor's favourites, the 1970 Boss Fastback better known to all motorsport enthusiasts and Mustang fans as PDL 1".

The history of this car is extensive and has been well-written in many magazine stories and specialist automotive books. In simple terms, PDL's timeline is as follows

- In late 1970, having won the NZ Championship in his fabulous and successful Alan Mann Escort FVA, Paul Fahey went to the USA looking for a top line Mustang for the seasons ahead
- Whilst he couldn't find a suitable Shelby race car, he settled on an ex stolen (and very rare) 1970 Boss Mustang 429, minus engine. One of the features of the 499 only Boss 429's was the Kar Kraft engineered front strut assembly.
- As well as purchasing the Boss from the Police and insurance, Paul did a
 deal with Shelby American on a package deal on 302 and 366 engines,
 Gurney Weslake heads, gearboxes, suspension parts, Minilite wheels and
 tyres and more



- Paul landed the shipment in Auckland Nov 1970, renowned mechanic Joe Wright did the work, and the car
 first turned out a month later at the BayPark new year meeting 1971 in Cambridge colours, winning all three
 races.
- In 1971 Fahey drove the Mustang successfully in non-championship races, alongside his Escort's last championship campaign.
- For 1972, Paul surprisingly sold ownership of the Mustang to PDL Racing, but held onto the driving duties. Whilst the relationships were somewhat rocky, the PDL liveried orange Mustang netted the championship, but the future was uncertain, and during the 1973 season Fahey and PDL parted ways. Christchurch driver Graham Baker stepped in, and ran the 1974 season in a much modified Mustang in pink lace, with a special 600hp 351 engine and the widest wheels (14 inch) ever seen on a NZ sports sedan. The season featured some great highs (wins) and lows. During Baker's stint, the car was also green, and then yellow.
- For 1975, Baker returned to single seater racing and PDL boss Sir Robertson Stewart signed up Timaru ace Leo Leonard behind the wheel, and talented fabricator Rick Diehl as chief mechanic. The result was the fabulous two tone electric blue PDL 1 with aggressive box flares, a massive engine set back and other mods that dramatically improved handling, all of which came together in the team's marketing support with ads that shouted "electric blue and 180 mph"! The combination of all this made PDL 1 a match for everything on track, except for Paul Fahey's Capri RS with its quad cam 3400 V6.
- As competition continued to advance, PDL 1 gave way to the team's investment in the new IMSA inspired PDL 2, crafted on a 1976 Mustang bodyshell using the latest in US technology. The PDL image and folklore rose to even higher levels.
- PDL 1 was eventually retired and fell into disrepair, eventually being acquired by Dunedin racer and enthusiast
 Steve Ross, under who's ownership it has been superbly restored to its 1975 style and raced in selected historic
 events since the early 2000's. Dunedin based Mustang engineering guru Roy McDonald has led the restoration.

And why is all this important, and why is PDL 1 featured in this Burble edition? Two simple reasons: firstly, the continuing strengthening of historic and classic racing means that Ford racing icons such as PDL 1 deserve special recognition; and secondly, in the view of your Burble editor, PDL 1 is epitome of the classic '70 Boss Mustang racers that dominated in the US, Australia and NZ, and for that reason alone its story deserves its place in this Burble!



Did you know that there was a connection between PDL and CMOC?

Sir Robertson Stewart was CMOC's patron when the club was founded and incorporated in April 1981!



PDL timeline, and other great Mustang Racers

















 ${\it Paul Fahey Tribute \ raced \ by \ Roger \ Cunninghame}$



Ex Red Dawson Mustang restored & raced by Nigel McDonald







NZ's first ever racing Mustang ex Segedin

Leading Mustang race engineer Roy McDonald

 $Dale\ Mathers' superfast\ '70\ Boss$



Lake Hood lunch and Ashburton visits

Lunch at the Lakehouse Restaurant Lakehood was our starting point for a Club run in Ashburton, Sunday the 7th of March. What a beautiful, colourful setting it was too with the Carpark being full of Mustangs (there even a being a 3 wheeled Reliant Robin parked amoungst us), the Lake calm and a stunning cloudless sky, all rather warm too (quite happy the Weather forecasters got this one way wrong). Our Lunch here was pretty special, with tender smoked meats and the trimmings, After our time at Lakehood it was off to Allan McCormicks for a shed visit. It's all Classic American Muscle here. Though Ford dominated, you name it, it's there. The vehicles in the front display room are rather exquisite. In the restoration/hoist area there's some really exciting vehicles on the go, turn another corner and there's more, amazing stuff. I highly recommend any Club Member ever passing by Ashburton to check out Allan's great variety of vehicles, though worth the trip in it's own right. Our next port of call was the Ashburton Aviation Museum. I must confess to having never been in previously, don't think it'll be quite so long 'till next visit. How lucky for Ashburton to have such a facility. The big DC3 was incredible, though there was a Wow moment everywhere one looked. We had a great turnout of Club Members for this day, in particular New Members, which was really exciting. Our Northern contingent gave enthusiastic feedback on their cruise along the Old West Coast Rd, through the Rakaia Gorge en route to Ashburton. A big thankyou to Glenn Thomson for leading this group, and likewise to Alister Paul for organising our Southern Members. It's always a great thrill for Mid Canterbury Members to host the greater CMOC. Thankyou to those that attended this run, do hope you enjoyed the day.













Mainland Muster, May 14-16, Oamaru

As most CMOC members know, the Mainland Muster is an annual shared event with our Southern Mustang Club neighbours ... think of it as a weekend party, with a little bit of everything, including great pony drives, fancy dress, great meals, fun activities, an out of town central location, interesting places to visit, lively hospitality with good Mustang friends, and more! Oamaru is a historic and interesting town (Steam Punk!), and the surrounding North Otago roads and locations are wonderful.

Early communications have gone out to CMOC and Southern members since late last year, and approx. 50 couples have booked accommodation at the two appointed venues (the base venue for the meals is the Brydone Hotel). Whilst these venues are nearly fully booked, there will still be other accommodation still available in Oamaru. Any CMOC members still wishing to join us should contact organisers Garry Pascoe (0275337179) or Glen Thomson (021622761) directly.



What's going on in our world of classic cars? (Editor's musings)

As I was sitting back thinking through the possible content for this April 2021Burble (and mindful of our 40 years of history as a club and Mustang owners), I kept coming back to just how much, and how fast, our world of classic cars seems to be changing all around us. So, and very much from an editor's personal perspective, I decided to try and identify some key specific points and thoughts to share with you all about what's going on in our world.

(My motivation was also sparked by this attention grabbing headline and story on www.Newsroom.co.nz)



We all know what's happening in real estate, in terms of the dramatic increases demand and prices. It's also happening in classic cars I'm sure. At the recent Webbs Auction we saw a very high price achieved for a 1970 Falcon GTHO. From my limited analysis, it seems that prices for "classic" Mustangs from the '60's and "70's have firmed to some degree, as have other models such as the Foxes and 1994-99's. Late model RHD prices have firmed even more (up to 10 percent in the last year). And across the manufacturers globally, the luxury and sports brands are in strong shape, with Porsche for example claiming record profits last year.

What about climate change? Yes, it's a somewhat polarising subject, but the reality is that the automotive world is changing, and fast. Ford has announced that all its European products will be full electric by 2030, to be a forerunner in meeting the new European legislative requirements (Ford's recent agreements with ev leader VW on joint new model product development is part of this strategy). Further, the same legislative requirements for already exist in California, and Ford US has just announced that all its North American product lines will be fully electric by 2035! Who knows what that means for all of us?!!

Here in NZ, the Government appointed Climate Change Commission headed by Dr Rod Carr (previously Vice Chancellor of University of Canterbury) has issued a tentative planning paper for NZ's transport industry, with the same high emphasis on electric powered vehicles replacing all traditional internal combustion powertrains by 2030. The one point of good news is the Commissions reference in the draft to the social and economic importance of the classic car movement (petrol powered), and the need to protect it. We need to keep close watch and be prepared to fight for what we need. The NZ Federation of Motoring Clubs is working hard to ensure that the interests of all classic car owners are represented in all these deliberations.

Back to a more grounded level, the one trend that we're all seeing locally in Canterbury, and across the wider South Island and all of NZ, is the dramatic increase in the number of classic car events, so much so that if any one of us wanted to, I'm sure we could just about fill our annual diary with a classic car event of some sort of another on almost every weekend. And it's not only the number of events that are filling our calendars it's the increasing quality and standards of the top level events, especially those run by commercial promotors. None of this is necessarily a bad thing (competition is always good), but it places increasing demands on volunteer clubs such as CMOC to continuously lift our game and keep our members active locally, and entertained.

And for us motor-racing petrolheads, the good news in all of these developments is the growing strength of classic and historic motorsport.in NZ. Race meetings such as our own beloved Skope Classic at Ruapuna, the following February classic and historic meetings at Timaru and Teretonga, the wonderful Taupo Historic GP meeting in January (Ford was the feature brand at this year's event), the MG Classic event at Manfeild, in November and the Legends meeting at Hampton Downs are all vital dates in a great and growing national calendar of historic racing, where great original and tribute Mustangs and Escorts and others set the pace and dominate the podiums. Long may it last, and based on the increasing strength of historic race events internationally, we're only starting!

Of course, for us as a dedicated Mustang Club, all these developments are capped off by the increasing strength of our club itself, the power of the Mustang brand, and the associated new models coming to market. Whilst present supply lines are tight (resale values for late model Mustangs are strengthening accordingly), we understand that the impending new Mach 1 and SM17 models are pretty much sold out, and premium RTR conversions are growing in volume.

As highlighted in the opening paragraph, times of change and challenge indeed!



Coming Events ... mark your diaries now, watch for detail and confirmations

April Tues 13th 6.30pm – Club Social night, Speights Ale House, Tower Junction

(new initiative)

April Sun 18th – World Mustang Day

April Tues 27th – Indoor Go Karts

May Sun 2nd - Run to the Bealey Hotel and lunch - TBC (following Kustom Car Club breakfast)

May Tues 11th 6.30pm – Club Social night, Speights Ale House, Tower Junction (new initiative)

May Fri 14th - Sun 16th - Mainland Muster, Oamaru

May Sat 29th - Possible Ladies event -

TBC ... more info to come

June Sun 6th - Run to Methven and lunch (following Kuston Car Club breakfast)

June Tues 8th 6.30pm – Club Social night, Speights Ale House, Tower Junction

TBC more info to come

(new initiative)

June Fri 11^{th} – Sun 13^{th} – West Coast weekend run -

June Sat 19th - A.G.M., Papanui Club IMPORTANT!

June Sun 27th – CMOC Track Day, Mike Pero Motorsport Park

(first time for two years - not to be missed)

July Sun 4th – Independence Day run and lunch

July Sun 4th – Petrol head Breakfast, Kustom Car Club rooms, McLeans Island.

July Tues 13th 6.30pm – Club Social night, Speights Ale House, Tower Junction

July Sat 24th – Mid Year Dinner -

TBC....more info to be developed

August Tues 10th 6.30pm – Club Social night, Speights Ale House, Tower Junction

(new initiative)





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Important! CMOC AGM Preview Important!

AGM's are important, especially for member engagement and communication, and our future!

Plus great fellowship opportunity!



Saturday June 19 (Provisional)
Papanui Club, Sawyers Arms Road
3.30pm (drinks); AGM 4pm

2021 Charcoal Mustang

2019 Orange Mustang;

1969 Calypso Coral Boss Tribute

Here we go again It's AGM time in just a few weeks. Whilst many AGM's of voluntary clubs are notable for low attendance, CMOC has a proud record of reasonably good attendances, an interested and engaged audience, and good success in the election of enthusiastic and hard working committee members and offices.

Maybe it's also our tradition of a free opening drink, and snacks post the AGM? Perhaps it's the chance to update on what's going on in our great club, and the plans ahead? And in 2021, maybe it will be the 40th birthday celebration, what ever form that might take (the Committee will decide at our late April meeting and members will be updated after that.

Whatever the stimulus, please put Saturday June 19 at the Papanui Club in Sawyers Arms Road on your diary (date and timing confirmation will be issued in late May, once our accountants have advised final accounts).

From my view as your current President, I see three particular opportunities that this year's AGM must address....

- We are looking to appoint a "marketing officer" to join the Committee, initially with responsibility for our Facebook program, subsequently extending to managing all aspects of the content (existing and new) and updates for the CMOC website. Interested? Come to the AGM, or contact me prior.
- Christine Quinn, our longstanding Treasurer has announced that she will be stepping down in a year's time, and if possible we would like to identify a "Treasurer in waiting", to join the Committee this year and understudy Christine, and then step up to the full role in 2022.
- Both current Vice President Mike Dilger and myself are presently in close consideration of our future in our present roles. Whatever, one of us will make ourselves available to stand for President for the 2012/22 year, but the reality is that one or both of us are likely to be stepping down in 2022. I know that this all sounds a little uncertain (and it is), but the reality is that as a club committed to leadership development, CMOC really needs to identify a member (or members) who are interested to step up into these roles in 2022, and the best pathway is to be part of the 2021 Committee, and that means stepping up at the coming AGM. Are you interested? If so, please don't hesitate to call me for a friendly, informative chat.

So, there's the challenge! In the meantime our club is in good heart and great financial strength, and ready to up the tempo in 2021. Please come to the AGM (and maybe a 40th celebration), and be part of the great year ahead.

See you at the AGM! Garry Jackson, President

Warm welcome to our new members since December

Bullitt 2001, Bullitt 2008, **Aaron Turner** Bullitt 1968, Bullitt 2018 **Brendon Cording** 1968 White Hard top Marcel and Bianca Koks unknown) Garry and Keryn Higgs 2016 Grey GT Deborah Wiltshire (unknown) Russell Hume 2020 Iconic Silver GT PP1 David and Alison Moody 2011 GT CS Natalie King 1966 Red Mustang; 1967 Blue Mustang Warren and Michelle Atwill

Anne Graham and Mark Kelly

Geoff Robinson 2008 Vista Blue GT Ron Trelease 2012 Black GT Amanda Voice 2005 Red GT Jason Gillespie 2017 Gun Metal Mustang Gary and Gaye Walker 2017 Red 5.0L Convertible Kevin and Debbie Lynn 1997 Deep Violet (Thistle) 4.6 GT Geoff and Bridget Barclay 2008 Red GT Convertible White GT Ric Marshall & Sarah Kennedy 2007 White/Silver Shelby GT 1967 White 289 Coupe

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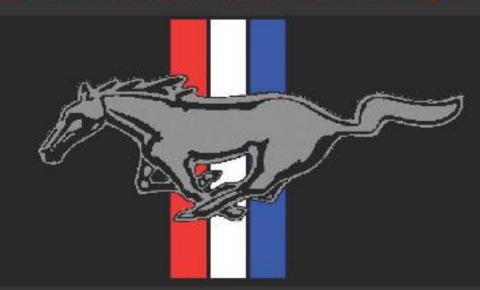
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