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Marc's Remarks

"March!" - that sounds like something my mom would say. When she said that you knew the stuff had hit the proverbial fan! That brings this copy of a much shared, lightly edited post, complete with a few personal comments in red.

Mergatroyd? Do you remember that word? Would you believe the spell-checker did not recognize the word, Mergatroyd? Heavens to Mergatroyd! Only my Mom used this word, never Dad. And, isn't it spelled Mergatroid?

The other day a not so elderly (I say 75) lady said something to her son about driving a jalopy; and he looked at her quizzically and said, "What the heck is a "jalopy?" He had never heard of the word jalopy! She knew she was old, but not that old. Truth be told, I've owned a lot of jalopies but, I called them other less nice words.

Well, I hope you are "hunky dory" when you read this and chuckle. To see some more old expressions illuminated that have become obsolete because of the inexorable march of technology, read on.

These phrases included: "don't touch that dial"; "carbon copy"; "you sound like a broken record"; and "hung out to dry." Back in the olden days we had a lot of "moxie." We'd put on our best "bib and tucker", to "straighten up and fly right." Heavens to Betsy! Gee whilikers! Jumping Jehoshaphat! Holy Moley! You get the drift.

We were in like Flynn and living the life of Riley; and even a regular guy couldn't accuse us of being a knucklehead, a nincompoop or a pill. Not for all the tea in China!

Back in the olden days, life used to be swell, but when's the last time anything was swell? Swell has gone the way of beehives, pageboys and the D.A.; of spats, knickers, fedoras, poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and pedal pushers.

Oh, my aching back! Kilroy was here, but he isn't anymore. We wake up from what surely has been just a short nap, and before we can say, "Well, I'll be a monkey's uncle!" Or, "This is a fine kettle of fish!" We discover that the words we grew up with, the words that seemed omnipresent as oxygen, have vanished with scarcely a notice from our tongues and our pens and our keyboards.

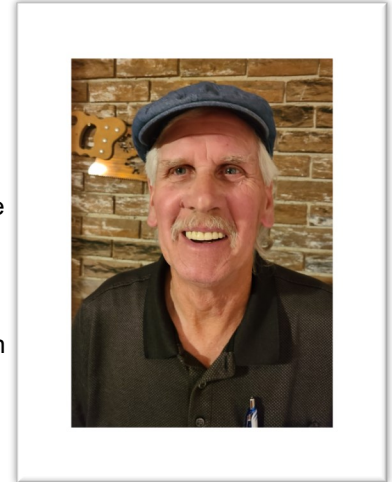
Poof, go the words of our youth, the words we've left behind. We blink, and they're gone. Where have all those great phrases gone? Long gone: Pshaw, The milkman did it. Hey! It's your nickel. Don't forget to pull the chain. Knee high to a grasshopper. It turns out there are more of these lost words and expressions than Carter has little liver pills. This can be disturbing stuff! (Carter's Little Liver Pills are gone too!) Leaves us to wonder where Superman will find a phone booth.

Well, Fiddlesticks! Going like sixty. I'll see you in the funny papers. Don't take any wooden nickels. Wake up and smell the roses.

Okie Dokie! See ya later, alligator! They left out "Monkey Business"! I grew up in a family of 3 boys; there was definitely Monkey Business!

This little journey down memory lane brought more thoughts about the world of then versus now. Simply, many of those terms above came about from parents trying to instill into their offspring the notions of both social and personal responsibility. Even the things they said to us as we grew up were more politically correct than anything that is now days called politically correct. Even the meaning of that new world term is more of an oxymoron than it is truth. Most of us learned respect, even if it had to be driven into our behinds with a switch or a paddle. Yup, we learned one way or the other, or more likely some from one way and the rest from the other way...

Eat Well, Drive Well — Mustangers ALL — *Marc*



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blue: Club Board Meeting

Green: Monthly Club Meeting

NEXT MEETINGS: Board Meeting at Phil Long at 6:30 in the Main Conference Room—March 2nd. March Member Meeting at Phil Long at 4:30 p.m.—Saturday, March 16th.

EVENTS:

St Patrick's Day Parade on Tejon Street, Downtown —Saturday, March 12th.

Non-club Event: Lincoln Tech Car Show and Concert, March 26th; 9 a.m.—2 p.m.

April Garage Tour/Progressive Dinner/Mustang Birthday: Saturday, April 16th—more details to follow.

Get more information on events at www.mustangers.com.



Shelby GT350

Memories of a Car Guy *by Hap Schadler*

[Editor's Note: This is Part Four of a serial article by one of our own club members, Hap Schadler, chronicling his love of the automobile and some of the many interesting cars he has owned. When we left Part Three, Hap had just finished describing his modifications to his 1973 Mustang Coupe]

The '73 Mustang was a nice car and I drove it on several long trips down south and daily to Springfield for my summer intern job with White Motors. I also drove it in a number of autocrosses which culminated in a SCCA autocross at Powel Speedway. Powel Speedway had been a paved race track. It could be rented out for club events which the local SCCA did for the Columbus area.



The track was a combination of a quarter mile oval inside a half mile outer oval. The inner oval feeding into the main straight used by the outer oval. Both ovals were banked, but the condition of the asphalt was getting bad and the inner and outer edges of the track were rough and in some cases fell away from the asphalt. The SCCA had set up a course that started on the inner oval and then transitioned onto the outer oval by means of a hair pin turn where they met up. The course then ran on the outer oval to the finish where the two courses met up again. This made for a nice long course, but one where the turns were in many cases off camber. I had run this course a couple of times before, but in this instance while negotiating a turn at the top of the banking on the outer oval I went into a slide which spun the car around and down the banking. There was a ditch at this point on the inside of the track which I hit going sideways. This popped the inside two tires off their rims and the car rolled over onto its roof. I wound up upside down in the car still buckled into my seat. I shut off the car's engine, released my belt, and crawled through the door window which was luckily down. Everyone came out to look at the car, but my mood wasn't helped by the young woman who drove a Porsche that said "Well at least you didn't wreck anything worth some money". The SCCA corner marshals helped me to roll the car back over. They then helped pop the two tires back on their rims and inflated the tires. I climbed back in the car and it started so I drove it back to the pit area and called my parents. They drove out together in the '65 Mustang to see what they could do to help me. This gave me time to check the car out. The roof had been flattened a little, and nearly every body panel had some damage to it. Some acid from the battery had leaked out and eaten through the paint on one fender. The front window had cracks running all through it, but had one area in the driver's line of sight that was about as big as a pizza pan without a crack in it. I topped off the battery with some water, checked the oil and brake fluid, and checked the tires and their air pressure. It appeared that the car was operable.

Memories of a Car Guy (continued)

About this time my parents arrived. I was of course very upset and apologized for having to call them about what had happened. My Dad checked the car out as well and suggested I just drive it home. He would lead and I could follow him. My mother would ride along with me. With this plan in place we left for home. My Dad set a rather fast pace considering the condition of my car and with the traffic we ran into he soon had disappeared from sight. This led to my mother cursing my father out in front of me. One of the only times I ever remember her doing so. I soldiered on peering through my little piece of uncracked glass until we had covered the 40 miles back to our house. The following day I called my insurance agent about my accident and was grilled by several insurance investigators over the following several days on what had happened. One of the older drivers at the autocross had coached me on what to say to them. "Never say you were racing. Say you were in a timed noncompetitive event". I held to this story and whether for this reason or due to my insurance being with the same agent as my Dad's insurance they agreed to fix my car. Off it went to a Lincoln Mercury body shop near where we lived. They cut off and replaced the roof, replaced fenders, and repaired damaged body panels. A new windshield and a complete paint job brought the car back to its former condition. In today's world they probably would have just totaled the car, but in those days if the repair work could be done for around half of the cars value they would fix the car. Unfortunately the car never seemed the same after I got it back and I decided to trade it in on a 1975 Mustang 2.

The Mustang 2 was a smaller car than the '73 Mustang. It also had a much better suspension and front disk brakes. The model I wanted had the V6 and a four speed transmission. It was a silver Hatchback with a silver grey interior with red accents. It also had manual steering, manual brakes, and an AM-FM radio. No air conditioning. After trading in my '73 Mustang and incurring additional debt, it was mine. This became my new school and work car. I of course also auto crossed it

[to be continued in April 2022. . .]

From my 1980 dealer's brochure. Mine was silver.



Mustang II 3-Door 2 + 2—Bright Yellow, (Code 6E)

April 2022 Garage Tour & Mustang Birthday Party



2019 Garage Tour

We need Garage Volunteers!

Want to share your garage with your fellow Mustangers? We are looking for volunteers to show off their garages for this year's Mustangers Garage Tour on Saturday April 16th.

We would love to have at least 4 to 6 garages for our tour. This is an exceptionally popular event and will most likely include a progressive dinner as well as a Mustang Birthday cake!

If you are interested in participating, but would like to find out more before committing, please email Reed at hrtabs@hotmail.com or call him at 719-229-8787.

CLUB ADVERTS

Have unused Mustang parts that you want to convert to cold, hard cash? Maybe an entire Mustang? How about a used gas pump, automotive sign, banner, or other stuff that we Mustangers might think is cool?

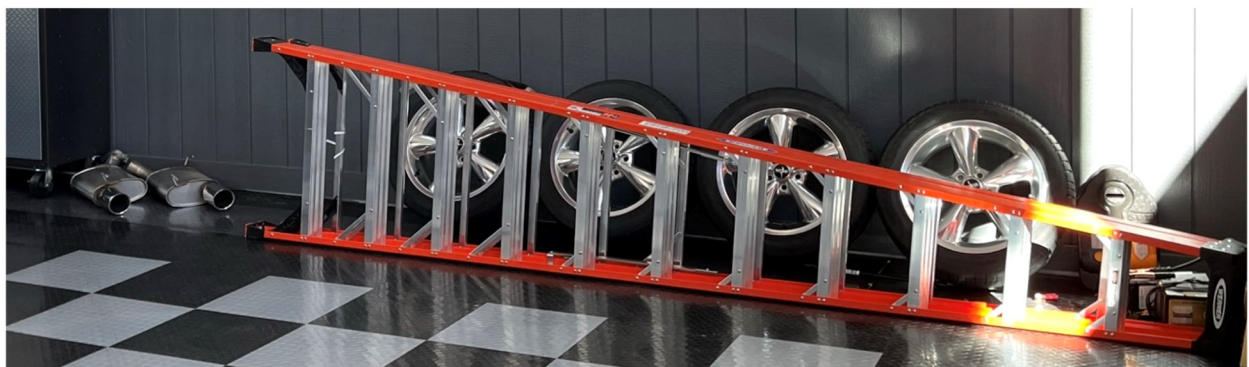
This will be the place to find a new home for your no longer loved stuff in upcoming issues of Hoofbeats. So this is how it will work:

1. Send an email to the Editor at wpowell@builderfunnel.com. Or, you can text me the information at 719-440-1395.
2. Please include the following in your email or text:
 - A description of the item for sale
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 - The price you are asking

Your name and how to best get in touch with you.

I will run the advert for 3 issues unless you inform me that it has sold before that. If it hasn't sold and you would like to post it again, wait 30 days and let me know that you would like a repost.

Happy Selling!



Minutes of the meeting of the Rocky Mountain Mustang Club

19 February 2022

Meeting was called to order at 4:35 PM by President Marc Short.

There were no new members or guests present.

The minutes of the January meeting were read.

The treasurer's report was read.

Old Business

Hap Schadler attended the committee meeting for The Rocky Mountain Mustang Roundup and gave the club an update on the status of the event. The Roundup is still transitioning from the change in locations. This year there will be no drive up Pikes Peak. On Wednesday the mountain tour will be held. The committee is still trying to come up with an idea to make the tour more interesting. Thursday will be the open track day at Pikes Peak International Raceway with the autocross on Friday. At this time there were 110 openings for the open track event. The autocross will held on the back parking lot and not on the track like last year. There are no changes to the show and shine. This year there will be more food trucks with the possibility of having a farmer's market in the park as well. The committee is looking for ideas to give the show and shine more of a small mountain town feel. A suggestion from the club would to have a shuttle to either Old Colorado City or Manitou. The Hotel Elegante is still the host hotel and is offering a lower rate this year. The committee is asking for the club's help with getting food trucks and a trash service. They are also looking at maybe having the show and shine in Cripple Creek next year. The committee is looking for club members to help with doing leg work to help with interaction with people and businesses here in the city.



Reed has all the entries lined up for the St. Patrick's Day parade on March 12th. The club will meet at a location and then drive to the parade staging area. We need to be in place at 11 AM. He will be sending out more information on this.

New Business

An email has been sent out the members about a car show on March 26th at Lincoln Tech in Denver. Dave Kindig will be there with some of his custom cars. This was also mentioned at the meeting.

Mike Taylor and Reed Hiltermann are setting up a meeting to discuss Mike's ideas for club events.

Mark Barton has said that Phil Long wants to do an event/picnic with the club but wants to hold it later in the year to avoid weather problems that have occurred in the past when holding it in April. The board has suggested having either a progressive dinner or a garage tour to celebrate the Mustang's birthday.

Marc still needs to meet with Mark Barton to go over the many things involving the relationship between the club and the dealership. Marc also needs to talk with Jeff O'Neil concerning the club's Facebook page. There are many options as to how the page is presented and who can view and comment on it.

The issue of club sponsors was addressed. The members voted to raise the cost to \$50 with more exposure for the sponsors on the webpage, flyer and at events the club participates in. Wes will be getting the sponsor form updated with the changes.

Cars and parts were held.

The raffle was held and the meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Membership Form

Rocky Mountain Mustangers Club

2022 Membership Form

Please bring to a meeting or mail to:

RMMC, P.O. Box 7102, Colorado Springs, CO 80933

PLEASE PRINT



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Spouse's name: _____ Children's names: _____

Mustang(s):

YEAR _____ MODEL _____ BODY STYLE _____

YEAR _____ MODEL _____ BODY STYLE _____

YEAR _____ MODEL _____ BODY STYLE _____

Membership: The RMMC membership year runs from January 1st – December 31st. **New members joining after January will have dues pro-rated at \$2.00 per month.**

Please by cash or check ONLY. Make checks payable to RMMC.

Initial Membership: + Dues: \$2.00 per month _____ (pro-rated) = TOTAL: _____

Initial Membership reflects \$2.00 per month member dues, an \$8.00 insurance surcharge, and an \$8.00 initiation fee to include one club logo window sticker, one club logo patch, one club logo lapel pin, and RMMC name tag.

Renewal Membership: \$32.00 _____

NOTE: Membership renewal is due yearly by the February club meeting.

[] Check if you are willing to share your Name, Email, Cell Number, & Year of your Mustang with other club members.

Insurance Release Statement

I hereby understand that I am fully responsible for my automobile(s) and its contents, and agree to hold harmless the Rocky Mountain Mustangers, Inc., its members, and any volunteers from and against any claim for damage, injury, or loss to person or property which might or does arise out of participation in any club sanctioned activity. I further attest that my automobile(s) in a club sponsored event is/are covered by liability insurance as per the requirements of the State of Colorado.

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of your Insurance Company: _____

Information provided on this form is club confidential and not to be released without the club member's knowledge and permission.

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NEW MEMBERS... WELCOME!

Below is a list of club members that you may contact for suggestions and/or questions.

Board of Directors and Committee Members

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Ross	Secretary	secretary@mustangers.com
Wes	Treasurer	treasurer@mustangers.com
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Reed	Cruise Controller	hrtabs@hotmail.com

CLUB CODE OF CONDUCT

The Rocky Mountain Mustangers take pride in our Club being an organized club with monthly meetings and events. We enjoy having members of all ages participate and show their love for the Mustang, from a new car to a classic car, a show car and a race car, and up and coming cars. We have had numerous members come and go from the Club for various reasons. The Board of Directors does not want to see any of our members treat other members, or potential members inappropriately, with comments or actions. In accordance with our By-Laws, the Board of Directors will ask anyone found causing embarrassment to the Club to resign.

