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Terry's Tidbits and Tales

Hello Mustangers!

The 2015 Rocky Mountain Mustang Roundup is done and the results are in the books. It was one of the best I have ever attended in many years. Many members made the trek up to Steamboat Springs and were rewarded with great events -- the Mountain Tour on Thursday, the Autocross and Hospitality on Friday, the Show and Shine and Autocross Awards on Saturday and finally the Show and Shine Awards breakfast on Sunday. The weather was clear and I must say hot the whole weekend -- no Saturday shower to end the car show this year!



Many members participated in the Autocross on Friday and most took home trophies for their efforts as you can see below -- please extend your congratulations to them for their efforts:

Mike Shelton's '66 coupe in ESM, Hap Schadler's '65 Fastback in ESP, Brandon Short's '02 GT convertible in FS, Marc Short's '08 Bullitt in LSP, Terry Myers's '01 Cobra in FSP, Sharon Myers' '01 Cobra in FSPL (Sharon beat Terry!) and Sara Sugrue's '10 GT convertible in LSL.

Even more members participated in the Show and Shine on Saturday and brought home even more trophies than the Autocross group -- heck some even won trophies in both! See the list below and extend congratulations to all for their efforts:

Jim Goss' '70 Boss 429 in 69-71 Boss class, 64-78 Popular Choice, and Vendor Choice award from AER, Mike Shelton's '66 coupe in 64-1/2-66 Modified class, Mark Roberts' '08 Shelby GT500 KR in the 07-09 Shelby GT500 class, Greg and Mary Wood's '13 Green GT coupe in the 10-14 coupe class, Sara Sugrue's '10 GT convertible in the 10-14 convertible class and Eric and Tami Veed's '15 Ruby Red GT convertible in the Popular choice class.

Special Thanks go to **Gary and Susan Watson** for the efforts on the heading the Show and Shine judging committee under extraordinary circumstances and to **Brandon and Marc Short** for facing the challenges of putting the Autocross on.

All those other RMMC members who helped out in various roles while up at the RMMR:

Thanks -- things might not have gone as well as they did without your efforts.

Whew -- time to shift gears! The Club picnic and meeting will be held at Bear Creek Park, Pavilion 4 this Saturday, July 11th starting at 11 AM. Details were sent out by Polly in a separate email. This event will

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be designated as being part of the nationwide Collector Car Appreciation Day (CCAD) being organized by the SEMA Action Network (SAN). Our event is being added to the list of events celebrating the appreciation the collector cars here in the United States. Details can be viewed at the link below:

<http://echo.bluehornet.com/hostedemail/email.htm?CID=4180126488&ch=A301D62A7EA8DF21C4B20C07F1DF715E&h=325392d992eb03139b88c415401c5d80&ei=N1o07ONVN>

The Front Range MCA car show in Loveland on July 17-19th and the Bullitt Nationals here in Colorado Springs on July 23th- 25th are fast approaching. Pick one or both to attend – you won't be disappointed!! Ross still needs judges for the Bullitt show – talk to him at the picnic if you want to help out.

The Good Times Car Show on Sunday, August 17 is our next club hosted event – see Bryan Lowry to sign up to help out to park cars and judge.

See you Saturday at Bear Creek Park!



Ross's "Did ya know!"

Ross Schwyhart

I bet there's a card missing in your wallet! This card that can open up a whole world of pleasure for you – a library card! Now, before you quit reading, let me explain. Libraries are not like they used to be.

Back in the "old days", if you checked out books, you had to physically get them back to the library to either check them in or renew them. Not so any more. The day before your books are due, you will receive an email from the library telling you that your books are due. If you wish to renew them, log into your account and follow the instructions. You will be notified if an item does not renew and requires return. In Colorado Springs, you can renew a book twice. Books are checked out or renewed for 3 weeks. Times for other items vary.

To get a library card, all you need to do is go to the branch nearest you and apply. Give them your email address, create a user name and a password allowing you to log in from your PC at home and receive email notifications. Be sure to sign up for InterLibrary Loan when you get your card. You will need a picture ID with your current address to get a card. To be eligible for a resident library card, you must live within the Pikes Peak Library District, which is most of El Paso County except for Security/Widefield. You can even apply on line at <http://ppld.org/apply-library-card-online>

By having an account, you can search the Pikes Peak Library catalogue for books you want. They also have a large number of eBooks in both Kindle and Nook formats. If the book that you want is checked out or not located at your branch, you can reserve it and have it sent to your branch. You will be notified when it is available for pick up. Here are some other things you can do:

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- Access online tools for genealogy research, homework help, financial planning, self-paced courses and language instruction and computer classes for seniors!
- A wide variety of programs and classes.
- Use of Library 21c Makerspaces and Center for Public Media.

Now for the best part! If you signed up for InterLibrary Loan, you can search all libraries in the system, using WorldCat, for a book that you want and have it sent to your branch. When you request a book, they will ask if you would be willing to pay to have it sent and much you are willing to pay. I have used InterLibrary Loan many times and have never been charged. I really like this feature as it allows me to read books that I might like to purchase without fear of buying it and finding out it was a clunker. It also enables me to read long out of print books that I either wanted to re-read or had not read.

Hey, your tax dollars fund the library. So why not use it? Get a library card and see how it opens up a whole new world for you! They have lots of Mustang and Ford books. You can check out the libraries in Colorado Springs at <http://www.ppld.org/>



Good Times Car Show

Bryan Lowry (RMMC member since 1991)

I'm in my seventh year as the RMMC planning representative for the Good Times Car Show. Ross Schwyhart is my backup. Every August, the show raises funds for Canine Companions for Independence; a charity which provides highly-trained assistance dogs for children and adults with disabilities free of charge. The Companions raise and train their own dogs and take care of all the dogs needs for their entire life. The 2014 show raised \$7,000 and over the last 23 years, approximately \$92,000. This year's show is on August 16th.

The Good Times Car Show is hosted by RMMC, Colorado Cruisers, Southern Colorado Mopars and, for the first time, the Pikes Peak Corvair Club. The Southern Colorado Mustang Club from Pueblo joins us and helps with day-of-show activities. This is one of only two shows that our club hosts (the other being Roundup).

The show takes place in the picturesque Old Colorado City district which is an excellent, family friendly location. Local shops and restaurants are open during the show which helps to attract participants and the general public. Typically, 380 to 430 cars of all types and vintages participate. On show day, we park on Colbrunn Court between Pikes Peak and Colorado Avenues next to Garman Gallery and Bancroft Park.

Planning activities started in February for this year's show. Planning includes soliciting major show sponsors and trophies, parking and exit plans and judging criteria. Show day duties include, directing parking, judging, and general troubleshooting. Check out these two websites when you get a chance.

Good Times Car Show:

<http://www.goodtimescarshow.com>

Canine Companions:

<http://www.cci.org>



Shop Tool Reviews (Part 1)

Patrick Germain

Over the past four years, I have accumulated an assortment of tools for working on my 1970 Mach 1 project. (Um, yeah. It's taking a while.) People sometimes ask me what tools they should get and which brands and models. Here's a review of the tools I've used. If you're thinking this is only my opinion, you are correct. I hope you find my opinion helpful if you want to buy these tools for your shop. This is part 1 of a two part article.

The first tool I bought for my Mustang project was a MIG welder. There are many welder types, but for welding sheet metal, gas is pretty much a necessity. I didn't have the skills or budget for a TIG welder. Leave flux core for welding outside in a breeze. I went with the Hobart Handler 140. I picked up a bottle from our local Airgas store. You can lease or buy a bottle. I bought mine and can exchange it wherever I like.



I'm very happy with this welder. It was easy to use for a beginner like me. I've put it through its paces and it's never let me down.



For a welding helmet, I picked up an auto-dimming example from Lowes. It has worked great and I can always get replacement lenses at any Lowes store.

Hobart Handler 140 MIG Welder

Being a beginner welder, of course I had a lot of grinding to do. I opted for a Makita electric angle grinder. It's been a great tool. It has plenty of power and operates very smoothly. It's been going strong four years now.



One tool people don't think much about is a shop vacuum. Believe me, every shop should have one. I have used my RIDGID shop vac from Home Depot almost non-stop since I began my project. When I pulled out the original carpet, there was over forty years of accumulated dirt and debris to vacuum up. Then I scraped up the old sound deadener and vacuumed that up.

Since my Mustang was a desert car, dirt had collected in every corner and crevice and the shop vac got it all out. After media blasting, I vacuumed up media for many months.

Of course, working on an old car can create quite a mess on the shop floor and my shop vac again comes to rescue. I insist on keeping a clean shop and the RIDGID is a good choice for doing so. Home Depot also carries numerous hoses and accessories for their shop vacs which is convenient.



When I needed an air compressor upgrade, I did online research until my eyes were bleeding. Along the way, I learned there's a lot of marketing hype surrounding air compressors. Forget amps and horsepower. It's all about Cubic Feet per Minute: CFM. I also wanted a two-stage compressor for cooler air, higher tank pressure and more consistent air output. While shopping online and at local stores, I found the vast majority of air compressors are single stage. Don't be fooled by multiple cylinders. Even those can be, and usually are, single stage.

A friend of mine told me her husband had recently bought a large compressor for his new shop and got it from Harbor Freight. Now, I know what you're thinking. The only thing at Harbor Freight worth carrying out the door is the cash register. Right? Well, after much consideration, I found this much-maligned store has a few gems among the more lamentable selections.

The 60 gallon compressor displayed on the Harbor Freight web site is not the actual compressor they sell. While the other compressors are the Central Pneumatic store brand, the compressor I bought is a U.S. General. I talked to the manager at Harbor Freight who told me their U.S. General compressor never comes back. (Not true of the Central Pneumatic compressors, unfortunately.) It puts out 15.8 CFM at 90 PSI. The pump is made in Italy, the motor is made in Mexico and everything is assembled in North Carolina.



Great Compressor!

It's not going to have the quality of something like a Quincy. But the price was \$800 and you'd have to spend a lot more to get a better compressor. I've been using this compressor for almost a year. It puts out a lot of air with no problems at all. Yep, I can honestly say I highly recommend this compressor from Harbor Freight.



Harbor Freight Air Tool: Don't Bother

For air tools, I thought I would give Harbor Freight a chance and picked their "Professional" 90 degree die grinder. You guessed it. After only several hours, it was completely shot. So, I recommend you don't bother with Harbor Freight air tools.



Kobalt Cutoff Tool: It's OK

Still feeling adventurous, I tried a Kobalt air cutoff tool. I've never had a problem with it, but the power is nothing more than just acceptable.

Since I had good luck with the RIDGID shop vac, I bought a Husky brand air chisel and DA sander from Home Depot. I was somewhat skeptical, but those tools have worked perfectly and have plenty of power. After trying an Ingersol Rand angle die grinder, I'm sold on that brand.



The Ingersol Rand angle die grinder is a real workhorse. I go through boxes of the Roloc discs for smoothing welds on sheet metal.



These Husky air tools work surprisingly well.



RMMC 2015 Calendar

- July 11 Annual club meeting and picnic
Bear Creek Park, Colorado Springs
- July 17-19 MCA car show, Loveland
- July 23-25 Bullitt Nationals, Colorado Springs
- August 1 1st Saturday Car Show, Colorado Springs
- August 16 Good Times Car Show and club meeting,
Old Colorado City
- September 26 Fall Color Tour and club meeting
The Roberts' home, Florissant
- August 22 Royal Gorge tour
- September 19 Forney Museum Dust and Shine
- October 17 Garage Tour / Progressive Dinner and club
meeting Woodland Park / Teller County
- November 21 Club meeting and election of officers – Mimi's
Café , Social hour 5:30, meeting 6:30/Event TBD



Rocky Mountain Mustangers Club Logo Merchandise



Tanks	\$12.00
T-Shirts	\$16.00
Long T's	\$25.00
Sweat Shirt	\$28.00
Pins	\$2.00
Patches	\$2.00
Decals	\$2.00

Ladies V-Neck T-Shirts now available!



Rocky Mountain Mustangers stitched logo apparel is now available from Lands' End

For information on how to order Rocky Mountain Mustangers club apparel from Lands' End, email Pat Germain at:

pgermain@comcast.net

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.

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Rocky Mountain Mustangers Club, Inc.

2015 Membership Form

Please take to meeting or mail to:

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



PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____ Spouse Email: _____

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

When did you join the RMMC? _____ How did you hear about the club? _____

Vehicle(s):

YEAR _____ MAKE _____ MODEL _____

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Do you have any talents? _____

What type of events do you enjoy? Popular Vote Show _____ Judged Show _____ Rallying _____ Cruising _____
Auto Crossing _____ Drag Racing _____ Road Course _____ Parades _____ Tours _____

What activities interest you? Public Relations _____ Club Relations _____ Programs/Meetings _____
Tech Presentations _____ Sponsor Development _____ Club Publications _____ Social Activities _____
Show Activities _____

Membership: The RMMC membership year runs from January 1 – December 31. **New members joining after January will have dues pro-rated at \$2.00 per month. Check or Cash ONLY.** Please make checks payable to RMMC.

Initial Membership: \$16.00 + Dues: \$2.00 per month _____ (pro-rated) = TOTAL: _____

Initial Membership reflects \$2.00 per month member dues, \$8.00 club insurance surcharge, \$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 _____

Renewal Membership reflects \$24.00 member dues, and \$8.00 club insurance surcharge.

NOTE: Membership renewal is due yearly by the February club meeting. Late Renewal will result in additional \$10.00 fee.

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: _____ Your Insurance Company: _____

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