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Terry's Tidbits and Tales

Hello Mustangers!

We are now two weeks into the last quarter of 2015 and fall is upon us (maybe – it is going to be 80 degrees plus today!) Our bonus Indian summer weather affords us more time to enjoy our Mustangs before Mother Nature serves up the reality check we all know is coming.



The Falls Colors Tour was a great success. Mother Nature did her part and provided some of the best weather and change of the season fall foliage witnessed in years. We all met up at the Walmart in Woodland Park to drive over to Dick and Debbie Collins' house where they hosted the club members at their beautiful Woodland Park home for coffee and breakfast baked goods. I had to lead the group in Sharon's 328I as my '01 Cobra had a bent rear toe link and was not tracking or driving in a straight line

The club then took a leisurely tour with a number of stops in their Mustangs to view the brilliant and varied aspen, oak and other deciduous trees that covered the mountain sides on CO 67 on the way up to Cripple Creek. We then proceeded to Mark and Polly Roberts' house outside of Florissant for food, drink and camaraderie among those of us that made the final trip up Mark's chassis dynamic climb test otherwise known as his driveway (crazy retired engineer!). We held our club meeting after stuffing ourselves with Polly's tender chicken with savory vegetables all in a succulent broth, biscuits and cobblers of all kinds. Many thanks to both the Collin's and the Roberts' for hosting us all and putting on a great spread and opening their homes and garages for us to roam about.

Pat Germain came rolling up in his Jeep to join in the fun and to attend the meeting. Doug Berwick, Bryan Lowry and Jim Goss all won awards at the Cruise Above the Clouds show in Woodland Park – you missed the applause we all offered up – way to go guys!

All the elected board positions and appointed volunteer positions are open to the club membership to run for office or to serve as a volunteer in 2016. You have to be a member for one year to run for a board position, but a volunteer just has to be a member in good standing to be considered. I would like to encourage having multiple options for all the positions we need to fill so old and new members alike can experience and shape how the club runs and functions. Here's the list of the positions:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary

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- Newsletter Editor
- Webmaster
- Rafflemaster
- Cruise Controllers
- Rocky Mountain Mustang Roundup Auto X and Judging reps
- Good Times Car Show reps

Dick Collins and Patricia Reisenaur have volunteered to be our Nominating Committee and will be contacting members to see if they are interested in running for office or taking on a volunteer position.

Eric Veed and Polly Roberts have volunteered to be our Audit Committee to review and verify the Treasurer and Rafflemaster transaction records are accurate, monies are accounted for, and the Ent Credit Union Accounts are as they should be. **Since our fiscal year ends on October 31st, the records and Rafflemaster transaction logs must be turned over the Audit committee after the conclusion of the October membership meeting and the audit be completed before the November meeting/ election of officers.**

The October 17th and November 21st club meetings will be at held at Mimi's – dinner at 5:30 pm, meeting at 6:30 PM. The December 12th Christmas Party and meeting will take place at Rudy's BBQ starting at 2 PM.

Let me add my own special thanks to all the volunteers and the board members who put in the time and work to keep the Rocky Mountain Mustangers open for business and fun for those members that choose to participate.







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Ross's "Did ya know!"

Ross Schwyhart

This edition will be a little different, no helpful hints, just some fun facts about the Ford Motor Company and some websites that I think are neat to poke around on.

Just the facts, ma'am. In 2003 Ford made a big deal about the growing roof on the new assembly plant in Dearborn but they were green even before that powering their factories with animal manure until 1939. Number two, the famous *Grave Digger* monster truck started out as a Ford but the first monster truck, *Big Foot*, was a Ford F250. Finally if you enjoy all those holiday *Peanuts* specials featuring Charlie Brown and friends thank Ford. They convinced creator Charles Schultz to allow the *Peanuts* gang to be animated for use in Ford Falcon commercials in 1963.

Finally, here's a list of websites I find interesting to poke around on.

Great car pictures:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/autohistorian/sets/>

<http://www.petrolicious.com/>

<http://www.seriouswheels.com/>

<http://silodrome.com/>

Vintage racing pictures

<http://www.racingsportscars.com/>

Colorado Springs Mustang commercial

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7h_ysw4A4_4#t=247

Colorized pictures of the past

<https://www.facebook.com/imbuedwithhues>

Mustang info

<http://mustangattitude.com/mustang/2012vinmatrix.shtml>

Classic car information

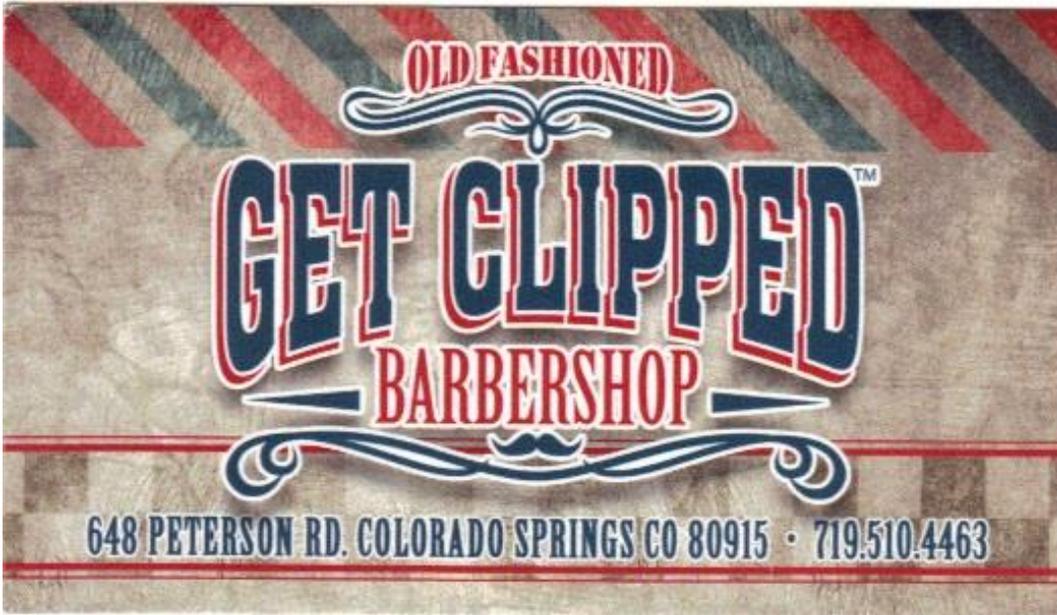
<http://www.classiccardatabase.com/>

Web cameras in Colorado

http://www.keno.org/colorado_web_cams/colorado_cams.htm

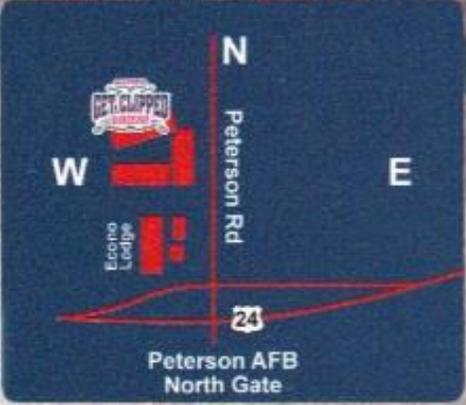
RMMC 2015 Calendar

- October 17 Club meeting and election of officers – Mimi’s Café ,
Social hour 5:30, meeting 6:30
- November 21 Club meeting and election of officers – Mimi’s Café ,
Social hour 5:30, meeting 6:30/Event TBD



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Sealing Up a Vintage Mustang (Part 1)

Pat Germain

One of the many things I've learned over the course of my very-long-in-the-tooth 1970 Mach 1 project is there's a lot involved with sealing up a classic Mustang. That is, keeping out moisture, exhaust and noise requires multiple sealers, gaskets and plugs. Let's a review a few.

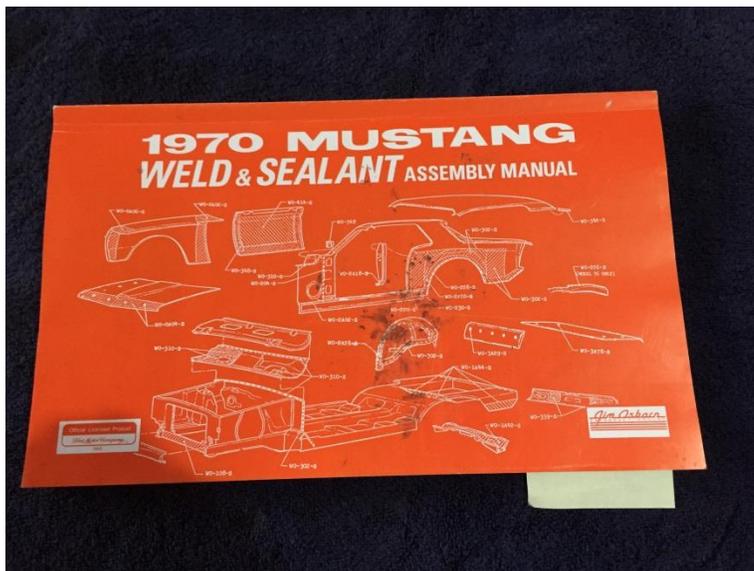
Seam Sealer

Seam Sealer was used in great gobs on Mustang assembly lines. After application, it was typically brushed to smooth it down. You can recreate this same process with seam sealer in a caulking tube and an acid brush.

I've used the NAPA and Eastwood seam sealers and both work great. It's available in multiple colors. The NAPA sealer is more expensive, but readily available on the shelf at your local store. 3M also manufactures a high-end, two-part seam sealer requiring a special application gun.



The reproduction Weld and Sealant manual from Jim Osborn is very handy for illustrating all the right places to apply sealer. As you can see in the picture, my copy has seen a lot of use.



Be careful when smoothing the seam sealer. Some people say to brush on some lacquer thinner to help it smooth down. However, this can prevent some brands of seam sealer from properly hardening. Also, while seam sealer was applied directly over bare steel at the factory, I found a lot of rust under that sealer when I was stripping down my Mustang. Therefore, I applied seam sealer over the first coat of epoxy primer, followed by another coat of epoxy primer.

Below is a shot of the underside of my Mustang after applying seam sealer which you can see in the beige colored areas. After allowing adequate dry time, I shot on another coat of epoxy primer, followed by two coats of Eastwood's chassis black. (The bottom of my Mustang was painted black at the Dearborn factory.) Many areas inside the car also require seam sealer.



Fender and Quarter Extension Seals

Did you know seals are required for the fender extensions and quarter panel extension? Until recently, I didn't. They were completely missing from my car when I disassembled it. Reproduction seals are available and inexpensive. If you ever have the occasion to remove these pieces, I highly recommend ordering new seals. If yours are still in place after many years, likely they're in bad shape.



Here you can see the rubber strip seal from one of my quarter panel extensions. Not only does it help to keep moisture from collecting, it actually makes adjusting these parts much easier. I also ordered new fasteners from AMK. The nuts have rubber washers attached, but they are extremely soft and very delicate. I learned the hard way they can be installed only once. Removing them destroys the attached washers. I'll have to order another set for final assembly.

To the right is a closeup of the new fasteners for the quarter panel extensions. Not much left of the attached rubber washers! It's no surprise there was no trace of these rubber washers on the factory fasteners.



In the picture at left, the rubber strip seal is installed on the quarter panel extension. Notice each stud also has a rubber washer seal. Thus, when installed, there's a rubber washer on both sides of the taillight panel to ensure a good seal for keeping water out of the trunk. More importantly, these seals also keep exhaust fumes from entering the trunk and, eventually, the passenger compartment.

Strip Caulk

Another tool for sealing things up on a Pony is strip caulk. This stuff works especially well for the fuel tank. As you likely know, the fuel tank fills the very large hole at the bottom of a vintage Mustang trunk.

The 3M strip caulk comes in 12" sections. Lay them down end-to-end to form a continuous bead of caulk. It's a good idea to lay down two rows of strip caulk all way around the fuel tank sealing area. Here again, we're not only sealing out water, were sealing out exhaust. Strip also works well for floor pan plugs and firewall areas.



Rocky Mountain Mustangers Club Logo Merchandise



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| 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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| Dottie | Cruise Controller | |
| Brandon | Rocky Mountain Mustang Roundup | www.rmmr.org |
| Gary | Rocky Mountain Mustang Roundup | www.rmmr.org |
| Bryan | Good Times Car Show | www.goodtimescarshow.com |

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 _____

YEAR _____ MAKE _____ MODEL _____

YEAR _____ MAKE _____ MODEL _____

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.