

July 2025 Issue



# NMC Newsletter

**Come Cruise With Us**



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# Messages

## **Message from the President**

Hey Mustang Family,

Sunshine, and the unmistakable roar of our Mustangs coming to life! It must be summertime!!

There's something special about this time of year and whether you're polishing up your classic pony or cruising in a new model, the longer days and warm evenings are perfect for car shows and club cruises.

We've got a full calendar of events planned to make the most of the summer, with CAN-AM Weekend kicking off July and our much-anticipated annual club BBQ in August just to name a few.

It's going to be a summer to remember - loud engines, great friends, and plenty of kilometers under our tires. See you on the road!

Lance McDonald  
Niagara Mustang Club  
President

## **Membership and Dues**

Let's welcome to our Niagara Mustang Club 8 new members!

Dennis, Theo & Kayla, Ron & Amanda, Lisa & Gary, Andrew & Emma, Kathy & Jon, David and Mike!

This brings our club to 56 total household members!

We look forward to seeing you all at any of functions coming up!

Monica Georgi  
Niagara Mustang Club  
Membership Chair

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## Niagara Mustang Club Apparel



Niagara Mustang Club Shirt and Hats are available from Phoenix.

To order or get information on sizes and colours, email her at [nmcapparel2025@gmail.com](mailto:nmcapparel2025@gmail.com).

Embroidered Golf Shirts, Baseball Caps, T-Shirts, inquire for sizes, styles and prices.

### Newsletter

If you would like to submit something, post a picture, wish someone a birthday or anniversary wish, advertise an upcoming event, or offer suggestions for content, please email me at [mwk0331@hotmail.com](mailto:mwk0331@hotmail.com) for future Club Newsletter inclusions.

Mark Kapitan  
Niagara Mustang Club  
Newsletter

### Executive Team

<b>President</b>	Lance McDonald
<b>Vice-President</b>	Dan Smith
<b>Secretary</b>	Denise Drake
<b>Treasurer</b>	Dave Ells
<b>Membership</b>	Monica Georgi
<b>Past President</b>	Clay Dawdy
<b>Newsletter</b>	Mark Kapitan
<b>Website</b>	Stella Weir
<b>Social Media</b>	Dan Smith
	Denise Drake

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## About the Cover

### 1966 Ford Mustang Pickup Conversion Is An Odd Creation That Surprisingly Works

Aside from the obvious addition of a truck bed, the ute-ified Mustang also features an upgraded engine



Everyone loves a good classic Mustang, but these days they're not that hard to come by anymore. So how do you remedy that? You do what the owner of this Mustang for sale on "Bring a Trailer" : swap the powertrain and turn it into a truck.



The engine and transmission swaps were done by the selling dealer, but the Pick-Up Truck conversion had already been performed before they acquired the car. There's not much information on that conversion, but with the exception of a slightly unfinished tailgate and cabin divider, the job is pretty clean. Other than that, the exterior features a red and white paint job, Cobra badging, a hood scoop, an integrated dual-outlet exhaust, and probably most interestingly (aside from the pickup bed), double-slat taillights instead of the classic Mustang triple.



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Inside, though, everything is standard Mustang. The bench seat is finished in black vinyl, and the three-spoke wooden steering wheel features a GT 350 horn button. Other amenities include a fold-down armrest, a heater and defroster, and an AM radio, though the latter two items don't work at the moment. The car also shows 15,000 miles (24,140 km) on the odometer, but it only displays 5 digits, so the total mileage is unknown as it could be over 100,000. That being said, all the proper service has been completed recently, including the replacement of the battery, coil, distributor, spark plugs, and ignition wires.



Under the hood of this Mustang ute is a 289 cubic-inch V8 mated to a three-speed automatic transmission, so rest assured this build isn't all show and no go. It isn't clear as to which version of that 289ci V8 it is, but it appears to be the HiPo spec, in which case it would send a healthy 271 hp (275 PS / 202 kW) and 312 lb-ft (423 Nm) of torque to the rear wheels. All in all, if you're looking to buy a classic Mustang but don't want to blend into the crowd, this truck looks like one of the best options.

By Andrew Gutman

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# Events and Dates

## Monthly Lunches

**Saturday August 9, 2025** Club BBQ hosted by Mark and Monica,  
20 Samuel Road, Grimsby. Time TBA.  
Possible Cruise Prior, TBD.  
(See Flyer for Details)

**Sunday September 7, 2025** Meeting Lunch  
Betty's Restaurant,  
8921 Sodom Road, Niagara Falls



## Planned Events

**July 11 to 13, 2025** Can Am Weekend host, the Niagara Mustang Club.  
(See Flyer for Details)

**July 13, 2025** Fill the Bus (Pitchers Sports Bar and Grill)

**Saturday July 12, 2025** Mustang Poker Run, Times and Venue TBA.

**Saturday August 2, 2025** Canal Days Car Show, Port Colborne

**Saturday August 23, 2025** Cruise to Ireland House Museum, Burlington  
Time to be confirmed

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## 2025 Cruises and Car Shows to watch for



<b>July</b>	Club Roma Car Show	July 13, 2025.
<b>September</b>	Merriton Lions Car Show	Date TBC
<b>September</b>	Fenwick Car Show	September 6, 2025.
<b>September</b>	Southcoast Dreamdrive	September 20 & 21
<b>September</b>	Last Chance Car Show	September 28, 2025.
<b>October</b>	Niagara Blvd Cruise	Date TBC

**Show and Shine** (TBC, days and locations are from last year, 5:00pm to Dusk)



<b>Monday Nights</b>	Merrittville Speedway, 2371 Merrittville Hwy, Thorold
<b>Tuesday Nights</b>	Queen Street, Niagara Falls on Queen Gateway Welcome Centre, Casablanca & S. Service, Grimsby
<b>Wednesday Nights</b>	Chippawa Lions Park, 3970 Welland Street, Niagara Falls
<b>Thursday Nights</b>	Blackburn Brew House, 8001 Blackburn Pkwy, Niagara Falls Hutch's on the Beach, 280 Van Wagners Beach Road, Hamilton Clarence Street, Port Colborne
<b>Friday Nights</b>	Front Street, Thorold
<b>Saturday Nights</b>	Husky House, 615 York Road, Niagara on the Lake (NFC Stangs)

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## Agenda

### Friday July 11th

2:00 - 5:00pm Registration at Casablanca Hotel in Grimsby

5:00 - 7:30pm Free time for dinner at local restaurants (recommendations provided at registration)

7:30 - 10:00pm Welcome Social in the Panorama Room (located on the top floor of the hotel)

### Saturday July 12th

8:30am Gather in hotel lobby to outline the day's events

9:15am Transportation departs hotel to Niagara Falls (if Niagara Falls activity is chosen) OR Drive to starting line of Poker Run

10:00 - 1:00pm Choice of one adventure: Hornblower Boat Ride or Power Plant Tour or Explore Clifton Hill (free time for lunch)

**OR** 10:00 - 1:00pm Charity Poker Run Car Cruise

2:30 - 8:00pm Cruise to Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum for photos on tarmac w/ cars & planes, Museum Tour, and Buffet Dinner

### Sunday July 13th

8:00 - 9:30am Hotel Check-out

10:00am Cruise to Canal Lock 3 and Lock 3 Museum (The Great Lakes/St. Lawrence Seaway System)

12:00 - 2:00pm Lunch at Betty's Restaurant in Niagara Falls

2:00pm Farewell Cruise to U.S./Canada border via The Niagara River Parkway

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# Niagara Mustang Club Annual BBQ



**Saturday August 9<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 3:00 pm**

**This is a Rain or Shine Day.**

**20 Samuel Road Grimsby.**

**Reminder, the Club will look after everything so please do not  
bring any food or beverages...**

**You may get turned away if you do...**

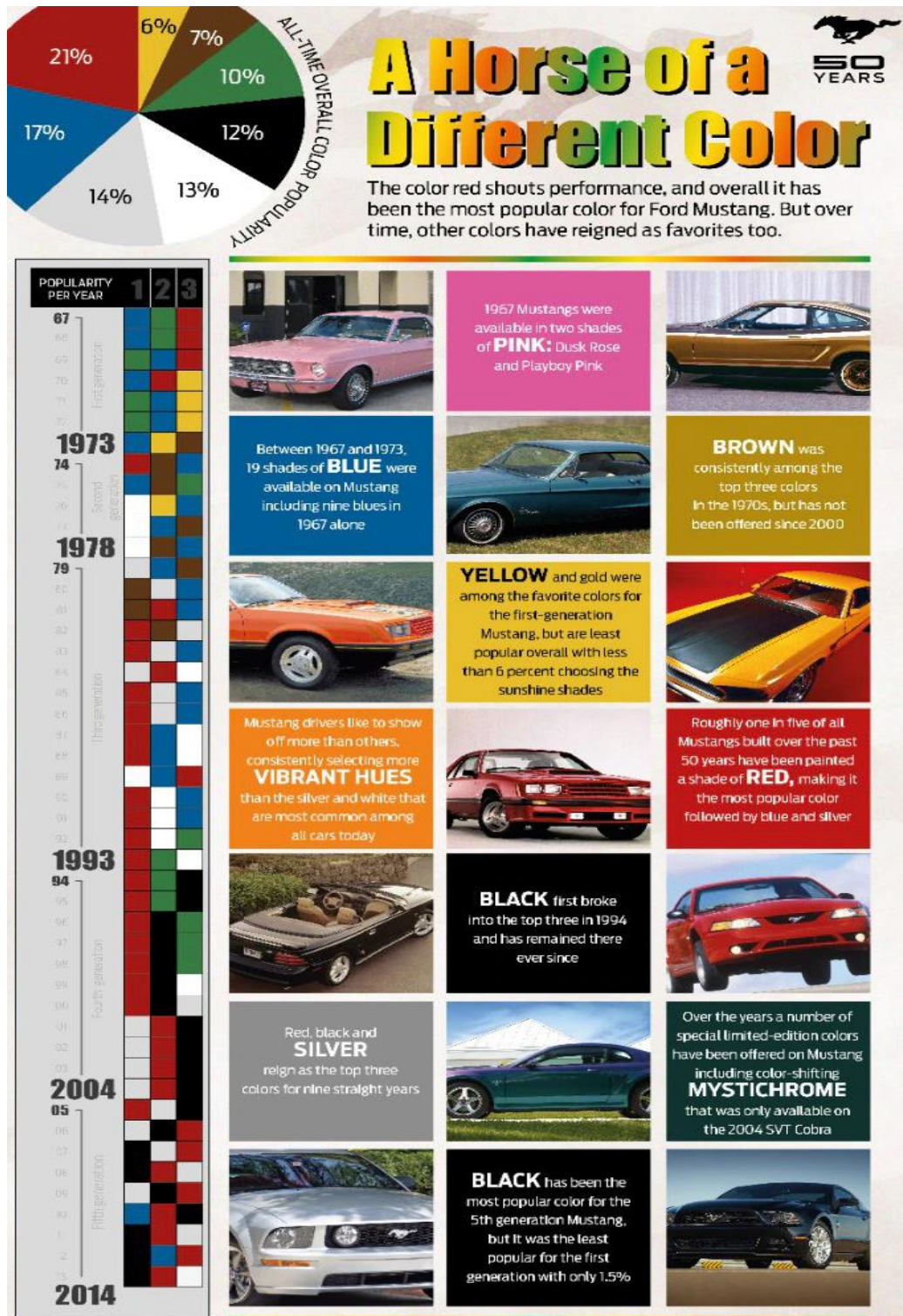
**Please **RSVP** your intentions and “**note**” any dietary concerns...**

**Mark or Monica at [mwk0331@hotmail.com](mailto:mwk0331@hotmail.com)**



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# Did You Know?





# Do you know the Rear?

Do you know the Rear, and Year of the Mustangs below?



Rear and Year?



Rear and Year?



Rear and Year?



Rear and Year?



Rear and Year?



Rear and Year?

Answers on the Members Page.

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# Word Search

## Car Parts Word Search



AIR BAG	DOOR	HORN	STEERING WHEEL
AIR CONDITIONER	DRIVESHAFT	IGNITION	SUSPENSION
ALTERNATOR	ENGINE	MUFFLER	TAILLIGHT
AXLE	FRAME	RADIATOR	TIRE
BATTERY	FUSE	RADIO	TRANSMISSION
BRAKE	GAS TANK	ROOF	TRUNK
CARBURETOR	HEAD LIGHT	SEAT BELT	TURN SIGNAL
CLUTCH	HOOD	STARTER	WINDSHIELD
DEFROSTER			

Answers found on Member's Page. Word Search taken 2020 puzzles-to-print

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# **Car of the Issue**

## **2006 Ford Shadrach Mustang GT**

### **By Pure Power Motorsports**



In order to honor Super Stock drag racing legends Hubert “Georgia Shaker” Platt and Randy “Mr. Big Stuff” Payne, Pure Power Motorsports created the Shadrach, a twin-turbo Mustang boasting 900 horsepower and top-of-the-line hardware to maximize its power.



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To achieve this, the team began with a 2006 Mustang GT, stripping it down to its shell. The engine, designed by Al Moody Racing Engine, uses the original block and CNC-ported 3-valve heads, with additional forged parts added. The vintage-looking Kinsler velocity stack injection unit, with two injectors per cylinder, is situated on top. The intake charge is pressurized by a pair of scrolls from Precision Turbo and cooled by a water-to-air intercooler. The T56 six-speed manual transmission is responsible for delivering all of the power to the rear wheels.



The vehicle's suspension is just as impressive, with Ohlins dampers connecting to a variety of AJE and Metco parts. Brembo brakes and a Strange 9" Ford rear axle help slow things down and put the power to the wheels. The exterior receives a Shadrach body kit, side-exhaust systems, a Pro Stock-style wing, 20" wheels, and vintage "The Going Thing" graphics. Inside, the vehicle features a 6-point roll bar, leather-wrapped Recaro seats, and plenty of carbon fiber.

August 1, 2006 Motor Trend

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# NMC Outings

## 180 Winery Lunch



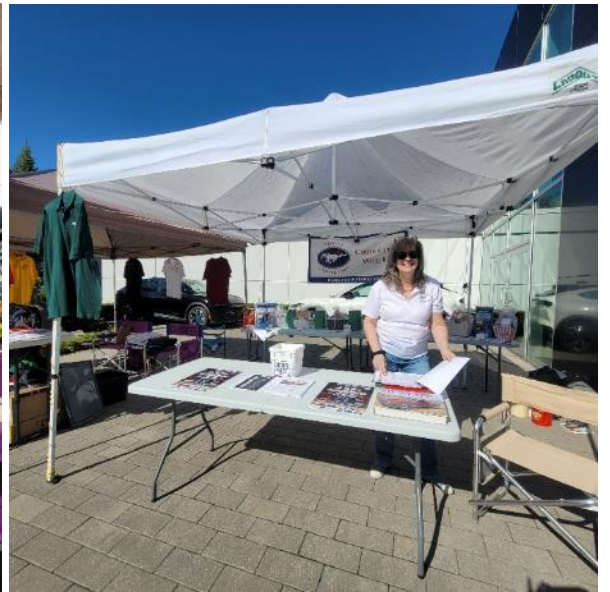


## Ed Learn Day



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**NMC donated one cheque to Sick Kids  
and one cheque to McMaster Children's Hospital  
from all the proceeds raised at the event.**

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**Lunch at Hutches and Cruise to Legendary in Georgetown.**



**Someone in this picture even made it into the forbidden area...**

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## Fronts Answers



1967 Shelby



1967 GT Convertible



1986 GT



2007 GT

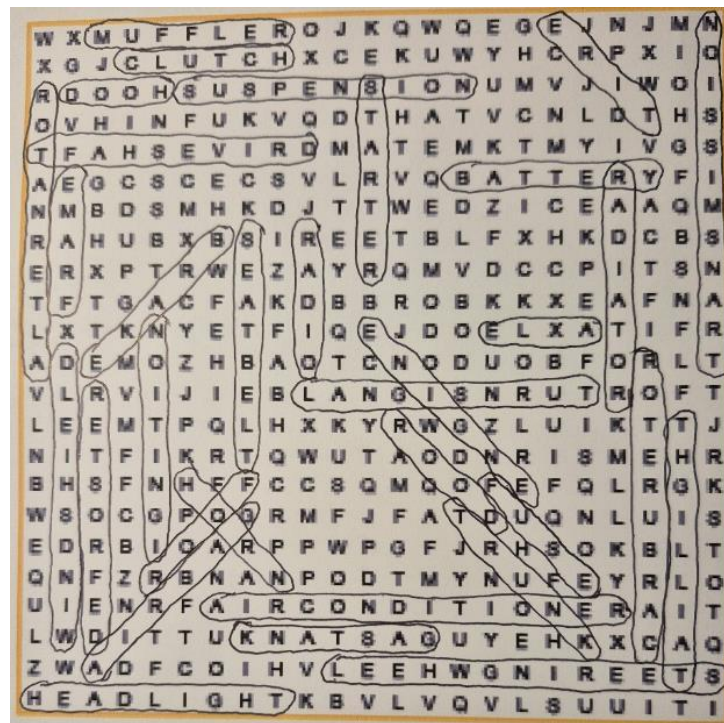


2021 GT



1978 Mustang

## Word Search Answers





# Classified

Ad From the 1980s

## THE BOSS IS BACK



*Mustang GT*

The car that left Camaro Z28 in the shadows.

The word is on the street. The Boss is back. It's Mustang GT. Sharp, street smart and powerful. At its heart is Ford's new 5.0 liter High Output engine. It pumps out 157 horsepower.\* Then Ford bolts on a 4-speed transmission and a Traction-Lok rear axle. Couple this with a

special handling suspension, and you have the car that consistently blew the new Z28 into the shadows in Ford tests.<sup>1</sup>

**Inside Mustang GT. Getting down to serious business.**

Once you're strapped into Mustang GT's fully reclining low-back bucket seats you'll monitor full instrumentation: speedometer, tachometer, oil pressure and temperature gauges, and more. Then, go for full-dress style by choosing options like T-top, leather-wrapped steering wheel, and

more. Whether you buy or lease, see Mustang GT at your Ford Dealer now. The word is on the street. The Boss is back.

0-55 in 7.3 sec.  
157 horsepower  
at 4200 RPM

\*Net vehicle horsepower as measured by SAE standard J245.

<sup>1</sup>Camaro equipped with 5.0 Liter CFI engine.

**FORD MUSTANG**  
FORD DIVISION 



Get all parts right here. Buckle up.

**FORD MUSTANG GT** 

## A Sportscar for the 80's

# MUSTANG

### A winner from the word go.

For 1980, Ford is turning loose a second herd of New Breed Mustangs in an exciting line of models to suit your style of riding.

From every angle, you can see it's a car for the times. You can see it in Mustang's sleek, aerodynamic body and surprisingly roomy interior. Up front, the Mustang has a MacPherson-strut type suspension to help flatten corners. Precise rack and pinion steering for easy maneuvering. And responsive front disc brakes for stop-and-start driving.

The new Mustang also comes with an optional 2.3 litre turbocharged 4 cylinder engine that has acceleration comparable to some cars with V-6 engines.

As a sports car, personal or family car, on wide-open roads or on quiet neighbourhood streets, Mustang is bred for your style of living. It's a sportscar for the 80's—for those who want to drive a winner.



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# Newsletter Articles, Advertising and Sponsorship

## Advertising in the NMC Issues

### Articles, Photos, and General Interest

If you would like to submit an article, photos, cartoons or general items of interest, please forward to: Newsletter editor.

There is no cost for these submissions and they will appear in future issues as space permits.

### Classified Advertising

Advertisements for Mustang Related Items or Products. **(Cost is Free)**

Advertisements for unrelated Mustang Items, Products or Events. **(Cost is Free)**

Listing your Business or Services that are not Sponsor related.

**(Cost is \$20.00 per Issue or \$120.00 per year, payable to the NMC)**



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# Sponsorship Levels

## Bronze Sponsorship

Listed on the Niagara Mustang Club Website Tab.

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**Cost \$250.00**

## Silver Sponsorship

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4 (Four) Instagram Features yearly.

4 (Four) Facebook Features yearly.

**Cost \$500.00**

## Gold Sponsorship

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6 (Six) Instagram Features yearly.

6 (Six) Facebook Features yearly.

1 (One) Event Sole Sponsor. (Includes: Formal Mention, Handout, Displayed Logo and Contact Info.)

**Cost \$1,000.00**



**Members who attend at least half of the Club functions and their dues are paid up for the year, to advertise your Business or to be a Sponsor of the Club, costs are half the noted prices.**

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Our dedicated team has served the surrounding area since 1978, and our success speaks to how we strive to provide our customers with the best services & prices!

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