



September 2025 Issue

NMC Newsletter

Come Cruise With Us



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Messages

Hey Mustang Family,

As we roll into the final stretch of the year, and with September marking the last month of driving season for many members, it's a great time to celebrate the memories we've created as a club this summer.

From cruises, garage visits, lunches, and of course the 2025 Can-Am Weekend we hosted, each event has been a great opportunity to share stories, build friendships, and don't forget, admire some incredible cars.

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in our events, volunteered their time, and helped make this season one to remember. I'm already looking forward to the off-season activities we've got planned throughout the colder weather months, so keep your eyes out for details.

Let's keep the heart of the Mustang alive on and off the road over the next few months! See you all soon.

Lance McDonald
Niagara Mustang Club
President



Membership and Dues

This month we didn't have any new members, but there was some interest shown at a couple of our events.

Our club is 57 total household members!

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

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 or call/text (365)-880-1862 after 5pm. Embroidered Golf Shirt \$40, Baseball Caps \$30, T-Shirts \$20



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 for future Club Newsletter inclusions.

Mark Kapitan
Newsletter

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About the Cover

MUSTANG ON TOP OF THE WORLD

AN AMERICAN ICON ON THE TOP OF THE WORLD'S TALLEST SKYSCRAPER, THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING, IN 1965.



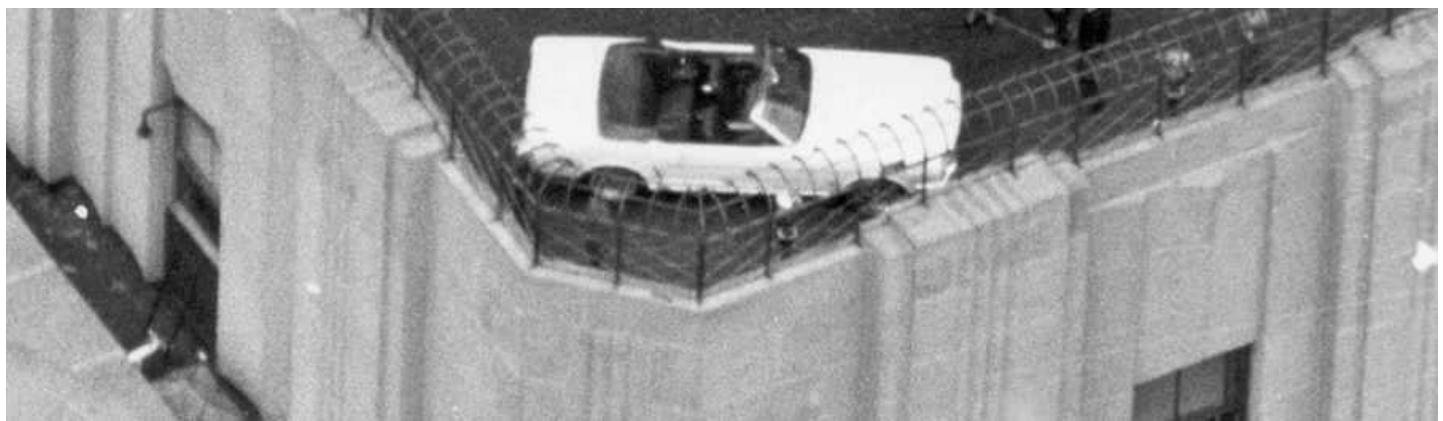
The Ford Mustang has been on top of the Empire State building twice in its sixty-year run of continuous production. In 1965, the Ford Mustang was the hottest selling car in the United States, in the throes of its record setting first-year run of around 420,000 units after an extensive advertising campaign. In October 1965, Robert L. Leury, general manager of what was then the world's tallest building hatched the idea of displaying the iconic sports car on top of the iconic Manhattan landmark on its 86th floor observation deck. If successful, this would be the first car and also the largest and heaviest object ever displayed there.



At 10:30 p.m. on October 20, 1965, eight Ford crewmembers in crisp white overalls began disassembling a white Mustang convertible outside the Empire State Building on 33rd Street. Everything was going according to plan, until the crew realized that the steering column was a quarter-inch too tall for the elevator despite the planning.



After the crew was able to improvise and maneuver the steering column to fit, all parts of the Mustang were transported to the 86th floor. The Mustang was completely reassembled outdoors on the outdoor observation by 4:30 a.m. and ready to be photographed by a helicopter. Not yet finished, once the photograph was taken, the crew took the car apart again and reassembled it for the second time inside the glass-enclosed observation area surrounded by the outdoor deck.



Visitors to the Empire State Building were pleasantly surprised as well as delighted to find the Mustang taking in the scenic view with them. Many assumed that the car had been lifted there by helicopter rather than transported through the elevator. The Mustang stayed there for five months until March 16, 1966, when it was disassembled for the final time and removed from the building. The feat was so popular and such a part of Mustang lore, that it was recreated for the Mustang's 50th anniversary using a 2015 Mustang GT. The Mustang has been the most popular sports car in the United States since its debut in 1964, successfully using its storied history to keep it relevant for contemporary audiences.

A Mustang in an elevator?

That's what Ford is was hoping to accomplish in order to get a 2015 convertible version of their popular sports car on display on the observation deck at the Empire State Building in New York from April 16 to 17.



This non-easy feat is to celebrate the 50-year anniversary of the Ford Mustang that debuted in 1964 at the World's Fair in the Big Apple, where a prototype 1965 Mustang was also perched high above the city after being sliced in three sections, transported up the elevators and reassembled. It was an easier task then, as the modern iteration is almost seven inches longer and four inches wider than its predecessor.



"Our team is measuring twice and cutting once to make sure we can get this Mustang up in the elevators," said Ford engineer Dave Pericak in a news release. "Like the team that did this in 1965, the current crew visited the Empire State Building before starting and took careful measurements of its new elevators and doors before cutting up the car."

This mode of transport is necessary because no portable crane can reach the 86th floor observatory, and the narrow space rules out delivery by helicopter. The new Mustang convertible will be available for viewing on April 16 and 17 from 8 a.m. until 2 a.m.

Original Articles by the Ford Motor Company and Benjamin Yong

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Car of the Issue

What Is the Red Mist Mustang?



From *Bullitt* to *Gone in 60 Seconds*, the Ford Mustang has had a long and illustrious history in major Hollywood films. One of the most popular recent Mustangs to grace the silver screen was the Red Mist Mustang from the 2010 movie *Kick-Ass*. In the film, which was directed by long-time Mustang aficionado Matthew Vaughn, the car is driven by the character Red Mist, played by Christopher Mintz-Plasse, who learned how to drive a manual transmission specifically for his role in the film.



The Red Mist was created by Van Nuys, CA's Galpin Auto Sports (GAS) with input from Vaughn. Work on the car began in 2008, with Steve Carpenter, Galpin's manager, leading the development of the project. Carpenter started with a 2008 Mustang GT to which he added a custom body kit by Rich Evans Design, giving the Red Mist its unique look.



From there, the car was outfitted with a supercharged 4.6L V8 capable of putting out over 500 horsepower. Other unique features of the Red Mist include Lambo-style scissor doors, custom 20-inch rims, HID lighting, racing gauges, and two-tone black and red leather seats.

To create the appropriate ambiance, the GAS team outfitted Red Mist with a pair of remote-controlled nitrous oxide tanks with purge capabilities. All told, over \$240,000 was put into the development of the car.

Filming Kick-Ass



To film *Kick-Ass*, the Red Mist Mustang was brought to London during the first week of production. Filming overseas was not without its challenges, as Mintz-Plasse had only 10 days to learn to drive stick in a country where manual transmission vehicles are far more common.



During filming, most of the driving was handled by specially trained stunt drivers, although Mintz-Plasse did get behind the wheel for two memorable scenes. "If I scratched it or crashed it or anything, I had to pay for it," the actor told *Popular Mechanics* magazine. Fortunately, the car made it through filming unscathed, and it put in a number of appearances at comic and film conventions during promotion for the film. *Kick-Ass* went on to earn over \$96 million in the box office and spawn a 2013 sequel, in which the Red Mist, sadly, did not make an appearance.



Article by Andrew Boyle 2023

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NMC Outings

Can Am Weekend

Friday July 11th at the Hotel

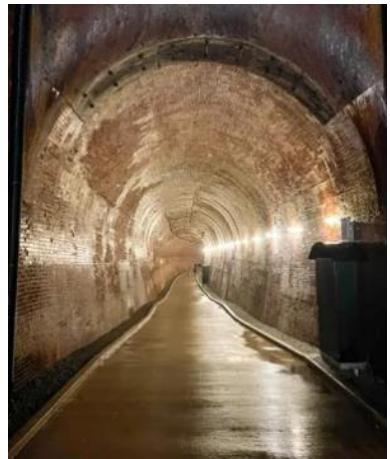


Saturday July 12th Outings

Hornblower



Power Station



Charity Poker Run



NMC made a Donation to the Walker Hospice



Warplane Museum Dinner



Sunday July 13th Lunch at Betty's



Fill the Bus Fundraiser Sunday July 13th



NMC Annual BBQ





Do you know the Fronts?

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



Front and Year?



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Answers on the Members Page.

Events and Dates

Monthly Lunches

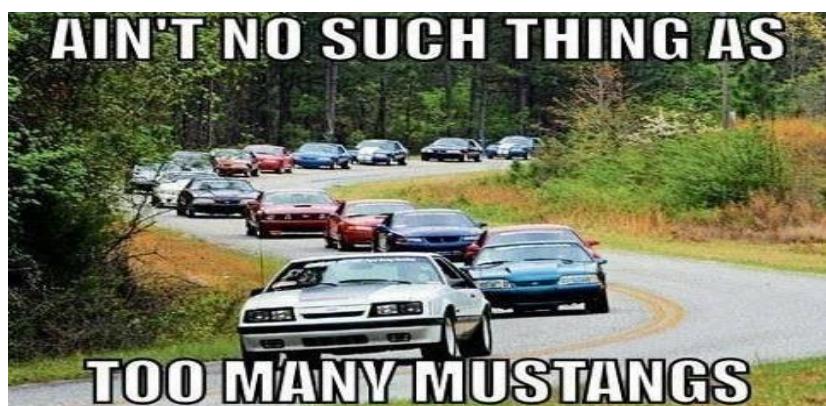
Sunday September 7, 2025 Meeting Lunch
Betty's Restaurant,
8921 Sodom Road, Niagara Falls

Saturday October 4, 2025 Monthly Lunch
Mustang Big Ol Grill
301 Fruitland Rd. (at Barton St.)
Stoney Creek



Planned Events

Saturday September 27, 2025 Autumn Cruise on the Niagara Parkway
Bass Pro to Fort Erie Race Track
With United Mustang Club



2025 Cruises and Car Shows to watch for



September	Merriton Lions Car Show	Date TBC
September	Fenwick Car Show	September 6, 2025.
September	Southcoast Dreamdrive	September 20 & 21
September	Last Chance Car Show	September 28, 2025.
October	Niagara Blvd Cruise	Date TBC

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



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

Member's Page

Fronts Answers



1968 Mustang



2010 GT



1973 Mustang



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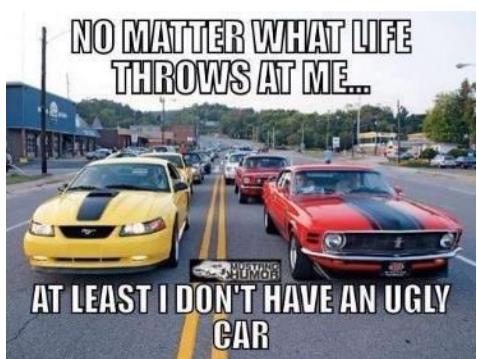


1977 Mustang



1989 Saleen Mustang

Mustang / Ford Humour



1 HORSE POWER



The next time you feel stupid, just remember

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Classified

Ad From the 1960s



Sidney spent Sundays seashelling at the seashore. Then Sidney started digging the '68 Mustang—the great original. Dug the models: hardtop, fastback and convertible. Liked the low price, too, which left Sidney lots of clams to design his own Mustang. Sidney style. Now Sidney's making waves all over. Last week he saved 3 bathing beauties. (And they all could swim better than Sidney!)

Only Mustang makes it happen!



FACTS ABOUT THE 1965 MUSTANG. Motorin's list of standard equipment can't be matched by any other sports car in its price range. Includes four-speed stick shift with fully synchronized 3-speed transmission, bucket seats, disc-spring carpeting, 160-hp V-8, 4-speed instrument cluster. And Mustang gives you a range of options as competitive rates. Like the optional 210-hp V-8, or a forward-super-4, or a four-speed or an automatic, with no additional top engine. Or an air-conditioning kit. Hardtops, convertibles, Fastback. V-8's are \$3,340. Or, for the budgeted buyer, a full passenger option, including a special heavy-duty suspension, front power disc brakes on all wheels, wide-cowl tires, and more.



New Ford Mustang-\$2368*

 This is the car you never expected from Detroit. Mustang is so distinctively beautiful, it has received the Tiffany Award for Excellence in American Design, the first automobile ever to be so honored by Tiffany & Co. Mustang brings you the look, the tire and the flavor of the great European road cars. Yet Mustang is as American as its name—as practical as its price. And just look at all the wonderful features the price includes:

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1968 F.A.T. Mustang is the suggested retail price for a completely equipped standard model Mustang Hardtop (4-door). This price is not available in all areas. The car is not necessarily or available only at extra cost in some other areas.

- Deep bucket seats
- Full width dashboard
- Color-keyed all-vinyl interior
- Power front disc brakes

1968 F.A.T. Mustang also includes these features often costing extra in other cars:

- Cigarette lighter
- Glove box light

4995 retail price. Destination charge from Detroit, options, taxes and local taxes, and fees, if any, are extra. White leatherette \$350 extra.

FOR AN AUTHENTIC SCALE MODEL of the new Ford Mustang, call 1-800-234-1234, or write: Ford Model Company, P.O. Box 1000, Dearborn, MI 48126. (Offer ends July 31, 1988.)

TELE-MAGAZINE: WWW.FORD.COM



You can make the trip to school or the supermarket lot more fun when you add convenience options to those to your standard Mustang:

- 280-cu. in. V-8
- 5-speed Cruise-O-Matic transmission
- Kickup lights
- Distance seat belt front and rear

- Power steering
- Power brakes
- White instrument cluster
- Push-button radio
- Outside rearview mirror
- Speed electric wipers and washers
- Tinted windshield



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Classifieds



This is two photos of a shirt made with my car printed on the front and back. This is not an iron on rubber print, it is actually a process called sublimation.

If interested in having one made, contact Ken Bubish

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.

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Bronze Sponsorship

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Listed on this page in the Newsletter each issue for the year.

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



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