

# SOME OF THE GREAT EVENTS HOSTED BY THE OCMC IN 2023

Appual Temecula Wipe Cruise in February



# OCMC Picnic in April







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### The Orange County Mustang Club

In 1987, a group of individuals who appreciated the beauty and performance of the Ford Mustang joined together to form the Orange County Mustang Club. Their purpose was to promote the restoration, preservation and enjoyment of the Ford Mustang. To perpetuate this goal, members pay yearoly dues, meet monthly, promote car shows, hold social activities, take cruises and attend parades and other activities to foster the love of the Ford Mustang. Any person who owns or appreciates the Ford Mustang, no matter what model or year, is welcome to join. Ownership is not obligatory, but enthusiasm is.

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### WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR A PERSON TO TAKE OVER THE POSITION OF CLUB SECRETARY IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE LET A BOARD MEMBER KNOW

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# **MONTHLY EVENTS**

First Sunday - Cars & Coffee - Segerstrom Shelby Event Center - Irvine	7:30-9:30am
1st Friday of each month - Elks Lodge, 7212 Melrose, Buena Park	4-8pm
Every <b>Friday</b> – Garden Grove Main Street - Car Show – Historic Main Street	5-8pm
Every <b>Saturday</b> – Donut Derelicts - Corner of Adams & Magnolia, HB	6-8am
Every <b>Saturday –</b> Cars & Coffee – So Orange County. Outlet at San Clemente	9-11am

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

1-Jan	New Years Day Holiday Cruise	21-Feb Chat & Chew, Mimi's, Tustin
10-Jan	General Meeting at Zito's	TBD Wine cruise to Temecula
17-Jan	Chat & Chew, Mimi's, Tustin	13-Mar General Meeting at Zito's
20-Jan	Jeff's Fun Run	20-Mar Chat & Chew, Mimi's, Tustin
10-Feb	Outlaw Coastal Cruise & Lunch, Capistrano	10-Apr General Meeting at Zito's
14-Feb	General Meeting at Zito's	17-Apr Chat & Chew, Mimi's, Tustin
18-Feb	Jeff Grant's Datona 500 party	21-Apr Fabulous Fords Forever

# CHAT and CHEW The 3rd Wednesday of each month

Chat & Chew Nov. 15, 2023

# Barb DeLong

The usual suspects showed up for our November Chat and Chew breakfast. Thanksgiving-themed prizes were awarded at the drawing, and Jeff Weiss shared some of the special items he acquired on his and his grandson's trip to DC on the Honor Flight. Randi Miller gifted our president Teri with a lovely fall bouquet in appreciation for all she does for the club. Join us next time at 9 am on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at Mimi's on 17<sup>th</sup> in Tustin for good conversation and some special surprises.



# PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS



What an amazing year! The Orange County Mustang Club is gaining the reputation as friendly, well organized, and fun club!

We did so many fun things. Hopefully more of you will join us in 2024. Of course, some of the cruises and shows we went to were traditional for the OCMC like the Cruises to Arrowhead, the Temecula Wine Country, and Silverado Canyon.

We also held our ALL FORD- Mustang Madness car show in October at Ken Grody Ford. They have very high regards for our club and are very generous to us.

We are being contacted for special events and opportunities. This summer we were honored with a call from the chairman of the Silverado Day's Festival. She asked us to organize the long running "Classics on the Green Car Show". Although it was just a week before the ALL FORD-Mustang Madness show, we did an amazing job, and it turned out to be one of the most fun and friendliest shows I've been to. The comments and social media postings for both shows have been awesome.

We also got a special invitation to the "Stampede". It was a special invitation only to the Irwindale track where we were given 2024 Mustangs to drive on the Irwindale track and then ride with drifting pros on another track. Wow! Then in November we received a special invitation to exhibit cars representing each generation for an event for automobile designers from all over the world. See page 8 to read more about it.

We visited the Lions Automobilia and Angel Stadium, then, as a group, we went to the Steve McQueen car show at the Boys Republic, Cars and Coffee at the Segerstrom Shelby Event Center and Cruising for a Cure at the Orange County Fairgrounds.

Several of our topless ponies were invited to several parades including the Strawberry Festival, the L. B. Pride and the televised 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in Huntington Beach.

In July, someone came to one of our meetings, looked in the parking lot and said "oh, I have a classic car. I think I don't belong with this club." Their comment caused us to review our ponies owned by our members. When we looked at our numbers, we realized that nearly half (49%) of all the vehicles owned by our members are from the Generation One (1964 1/2 through 1973). That's when Dave Jones and Paul Gammerino stepped up and planned a couple of activities that are Generation One Friendly. The route is not too long or strenuous. We leave together and with special radios, we arrive together. They call it a Conga Line and it is so much fun!!

And I didn't mention everything but more importantly, all our activities wouldn't happen without all of our very helpful members. Thank you very much for all you do for your club.

Your Amazing Board	Super Star Helpf	ul Members
Sue Drake-Arnold	Claudia Blakee	Bob Pace
Lourdes Cruz	Barb DeLong	Jeri Pace
John Daniels	Lloyd DeLong	Jeff Palmer
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# CLUB ITEMS By Lourdes Cruz, Club Items Chairman



Greetings, fellow Mustang enthusiasts!

Check out our inventory on the website, I am excited to share that we have more women's T-shirts in stock! Sizes M, Large, and XL in the colors of Red, Black, Pink, Dark Grey, Ice Grey, and Blue.

I would say one in every color, but that's just me :) Email me the color and size you want and I will bring them to the General Meeting



scheduled for Wednesday, July 12, at 7 pm. Oh, and I have guys XL in Black too! I look forward to seeing you in a few days! Lourdes, Merch Gal



# **MEMBERSHIP**

Your membership supports the club so we can offer activities and events for you. In 2024, we will be offering more discounts for card carrying members.

If your membership is due, you can send a check payable to the Orange County Mustang Club. Send to: 8101 San Hacienda Circle, Buena Park, CA 90620 **OR** 

Pay online at: OCMustangClub.com Questions: Teri Sulser (714) 315-3450



# Have OCMC website questions?

Shawnn is available before each General Meeting.

She also created a full page of detailed instructions for negotiating the website. Check it out on page 15.



 Need OCMC business cards?
 Membership forms are available on our website & in our NewsLetter.

Let me know how I can help you. Teri (714) 315-3450







Celebrate the New Year You don't want to miss our January 1st Gen One and ALL "Conga Line cruise." SAVE THE DATE Another awesome Dave Jones cruise. Call 714 906-3066 to RSVP or Questions



Looking forward to the Holiday Gala on Saturday, December 9th. We are expecting a turnout of over 80 members and guests at the Meadowlark Country Club. There will be fun and food, music and gifts, good friends and dancing. Our past parties have been lots of fun and provided great memories. This will be no different.



Our monthly newsletter game! Find the hidden character ♥ Then tear off the corner of this page, write your name and what page you found the 💙 on. Place your entry in the bag by the raffle table before the meeting starts. One winner will be drawn. If you have the correct page number...

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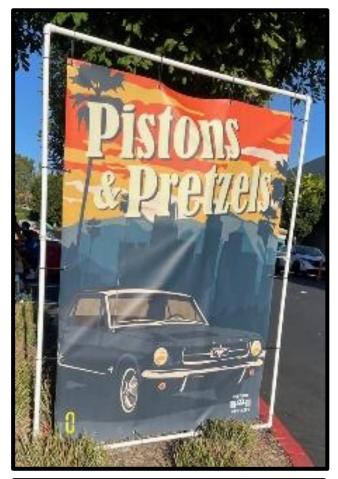
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Good Luck & Have Lucilit

I was attending The Piston's and Pretzels car show at the Ford Design offices in Irvine and arrived early. The show was put on by Ford for car designers from around the world who were attending the LA Auto show. One display was the 60year history of the Mustang. I was approached by a gentleman that had a big smile on his face reminding me of that look of a child coming down the stairs Christmas morning. He said his name was Mike and he was on the Design team in Michigan, that designed my car. (2018 Shelby GT 350). He was in town for the LA Car show and he saw one of "HIS" cars and just had to come over and meet me. He said he designed the interior and redesigned the snake on the Shelby badge that is on the front and rear of the car. That was first time he was asked to do any work on the outside of a car. He wanted to share a few of his favorite stories. Everything inside the car was made so it would never reflect light into the driver's eves. As for the handle you pull from the inside to open the door- Mike used the pull handle from an Expedition, turned it upside down, and reversed sides to make the unique cool Shelby part. When he made the door handles, he remembered one from a Mercedes he saw and liked a lot. He made his own version out of clay. The clay model became the door handles. After Mike left, I didn't see him again during the show.

A few mins later, a beautiful Shelby GT 350R came up and parked next to me. The owner came over to say hello and I told him you just missed this guy that said he was on the Design team that designed our cars. He told me some stories and posed for some pictures before he left. The 350R owner said that his name is Royce and he work here at the Irvine Ford office. He wanted to see the pictures and said he should know everyone on that Design team. He looked at the pictures and said, yes that's Mike Thompson and he knows what he's talking about. I certainly had no reason to doubt Mike's story being at a Ford design show, but it really rounds out my story of a fun afternoon. John DeVries







# Members With Their Cars











# MORE MEMORABLE EVENTS IN 2023

# March's Angels Stadium Tour







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# Touring Lions Automobilia Museum in July



# Annual Arrowhead Poker Cruise in August









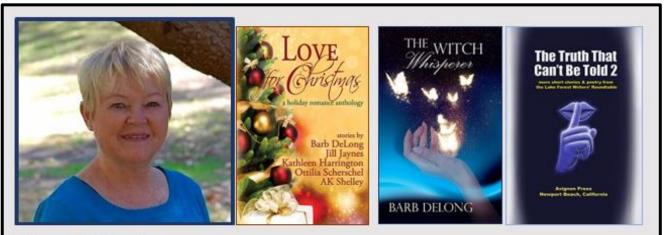




# October's Mustang Madness Car Show







# Barb DeLong, long time OCMC member and leader of our Chat N Chew,

is an award-winning author of contemporary and paranormal stories of love, laughter, and magic. With her love of animals, you know there'll be a feature creature in there somewhere. Her short stories appear in several anthologies, including Secrets of Moonlight Cove, Love for Christmas, The Truth That Can't Be Told, and The Truth That Can't Be Told 2. She is currently working on a paranormal romance series called Keepers of Magic, about a society of witches desperate to keep their existence a secret. The first in the series, a light fantasy romance The Witch Whisperer, is under contract with The Wild Rose Press and was released in January 2023. Book two, The Keeper's Code, is very much a work in progress.

A transplant from the Canadian cold, she enjoys sunny Mission Viejo, California, with her husband and a pampered, blue-eyed, ragdoll cat. Her books are available on Amazon.

### Jonathan Barlow, Member and Long Time Supporter of the OCMC.

It's always a pleasure to connect with your organization. I believe we started advertising in your monthly newsletter around 1992. Barlow Insurance is a specialized agency covering all types of collector cars. As hobbyists and car collector enthusiasts, we've been in business over 50 years in the same market place. We have established the reputation of offering a quality product at a very price competitive rate. We write an "agreed value" policy that does not depreciate your car unlike standard auto policy's. This format guarantees the value of your car in the unfortunate event of a loss. Please feel free to request a brochure covering the many features and benefits of our policy, including a zero deductible.

We can insure collectible Mustangs of all types. We can insure later models over 5 years old such as Shelby's and 5.0's. Our carrier is A+ Rated American Modern Insurance Group out of Cincinnati Ohio, in business since 1966 and part of the Munich RE group of company's one of the largest financially stable markets in the world. (Munich RE recent report)

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Thank You,

Jonathan Barlow

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### John Daniels visits the Drifting Exhibition at SEMA



← Chelsea DeNofa is the 2023 Formula Drift Champion. Since the start of his racing career has had his hand in several forms of racing. His ability to balance an aggressive style with precise driving techniques have set him apart from his peers in drifting, road racing, and stunt driving.

Vaughn Gittin Jr., commonly known as JR, is a self-taught, professional drifter from Maryland who competes in Formula Drift. He drives a Ford Mustang RTR Spec 5-D sponsored by Monster Energy, Nitto Tire, and Ford Performance. A 900HP engine lives under the Hood of Vaughn Gittin Jr.'s Drift Mustang. →







←After making a name for himself in BMX, Adam LZ,

leveraged his success to fund his first drift car in 2015, a Nissan SR20DET S13. From his first parking lot donuts he quickly became a fierce competitor all over the world. Beginning this year, Adam now competes in a 2024 Ford

Mustang RTR Spec 5-FD.

ON THE HOME FRONT - My friend Robert at the Irwindale → Speedway burnout box. He started learning how to drift in mid-2020 in his 2010 Mustang GT with a 5- speed manual Tremec TR 3650 transmission. The motor is a 4.6L V8 and makes 315 hp & 325 lb-ft of torque resulting in 268 hp.





Much like a road race oriented car, the power plant of a drift car will need to be able to handle extended high-rpm blasts. Only in drifting, the horsepower levels are often much higher, routinely exceeding 1,000 hp for many teams. Not only must the engines tolerate that brutal grunt, they must be able to do it lap, after lap, after lap, surviving heat, outlandish revs, and abusive clutch drops.

Cars & Coffee is back – Segerstrom Shelby Event Center First Sunday each month – 7:30 to 9:30am

### GET REVVED UP FOR A PARTY with fast cars and freedom to host your one-of-a-kind event!

The newest venue in Orange County, where celebrations occur next to one of the greatest Shelby Automobile showcases, boasting over 8,000 sq. ft. of flexible event space on the first floor alone, the Segerstrom's Collection is guaranteed to captivate guests! Come take a stroll through iconic American history; from the earliest GT350's to Carroll Shelby's final wish, the 1000bp GT500, the immersive experience at the Segerstrom

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For information on events or museum tours, visit SegerstromShelbyEventCenter.com, or call (949) 969-4368.





How to Corner ocmustangclub.com

# We are the Orange County Mustang Club

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### Already a Member? Setup Your Login

by Resetting your Password

- 1. Navigate to ocmustangclub.com
- 2. Click on "Log In" (top right corner of screen)
- 3. Select the "Log In with Email" option
- Click on "Forgot password?" link located just above the "Log In" button
- 5. Enter email and click on "Reset Password"
- Check your email for a message titled "Reset your Password" from wix-team@notifications.wix.com
- 7. Follow the directions in the email

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8. Didn't get an email? Check your spam or junk email

Assistance Available at General Meeting from 6:00-7:00pm

Activate your site membership

- Register or RSVP for an event
  - Participate in discussion

Shawnn Palmer will be available to help with registering for events, activating site memberships, and providing tutorials on navigating the site before every general meeting.

# Want to Sign Up as a New Club/Site Member?

- 1. Navigate to ocmustangclub.com
- 2. Click on "Log In" (top right corner of screen)
- 3. Click on "Sign Up" in red under words "Log In"
- Complete the Application. Remember the email you registered with; it will be your login to the site.
- Confirm your Email: After you submit your application, a pop up will appear asking you to confirm your email by entering a 6-digit code sent to the email address you just registered with.
- Watch for an Approval Email in the next couple days. Once you receive the approval email, you will need to login and complete the "Purchase a Membership" steps to complete your club membership and retain an active site membership.

### Need to Renew or Purchase a Membership?

- 1. Navigate to ocmustangclub.com
- 2. Click on "Log In" (top right corner of screen)
- 3. Complete your Log In
- Hover over "Shop" and select "Member & Sponsor Plans" from the drop-down list
  - Computer: "Shop" is located in the Navigation Bar across the top of the webpage
  - Phone: Click on three stacked lines in top right corner, "Shop" will appear in list, click on arrow for the drop-down list
- Select the Plan you would like to renew with: Silver Membership or Platinum Membership
- 6. Complete the payment information on next page.

# Login and Update Your Profile

- 1. Navigate to ocmustangclub.com and login.
- 2. Return to where you clicked Log In and click on the small down arrow.
- 3. From the list, select "Profile"
- 4. Add/Update Picture, by clicking on camera or picture in photo area.
- 5. Click on Edit Profile, to complete/update personal information.
- Set information to be public or private by clicking on each "lock" icon next to the item
- 7. Things you can do on the profile page: Update your profile picture, enter/complete your car information, set privacy, set notification preferences in the "settings" section. You can view your public facing profile at any time by clicking "View Public Profile" on your Member Profile Page.

I was visiting my daughter last night when I asked if I could borrow a newspapper. "This is the 21<sup>st</sup> century" she said. "We don't waste money on newpapers. Here, use my iPad."

I can tell you this...that fly never new what hit him.



the bushes, I wouldn't have been speeding."

WHEN WE'RE YOUNG, WE SNEAK OUT OF OUR HOUSE TO GO TO Parties. When we're old, we sneak out of parties to go home.







I've been using this as a water bottle for about a month now. I kinda love the judging eyes it gets me at the gym





Wondering how I can get my wife the perfect Christmas gift when she already has me.







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General Information: 714-315-3450

# JOIN THE "The Orange County Mustang Club" Member Benefits include:

- \* Meet new Friends that share the love of great cars
- \* Get FREE and DISCOUNTED entrance fees to events and picnics.
- **\*** FREE access to our Platform/Website with information and shared forums.
- \* EXCLUSIVE notification when companies need a specific car for their advertisements, product install, parades...
- \* Enjoy the best cake FREE at our General Meetings

Orange County Mustang Club meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 7pm at Zito's Pizza, 2036 N.Tustin St., Orange

# **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Annual Membership Dues: \$35.00 (1 year) - \$60 (2 years). Membership includes a Primary and an Associate Member.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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