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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Spring is almost here, and things are starting to ramp up in the Car Club world. We have a parade in Vivian Louisiana this month, and also the Saturday car shows in Marshall Texas fire up this month. Nicole, our Activities Director has also been busy setting up some other club functions for March, as well as the rest of the year. Since we have gained some new members over the last few months, and March is the cut off date for dues being due, I thought it would be a good time to go over some pointers regarding out of town shows, parades and cruises to restaurants after our Monthly meeting.

Any time we cruise anywhere as a club, we always want to have headlights on for safety. We also want to drive 5 miles below the posted speed limit not only to enjoy the cruise to where ever we are going, but also to allow the folks at the end of the line to be able to keep up. It is always a good idea to get driving directions before hand, so if you get lost, you can find your way to where we are going. I usually try to send maps, or driving directions via email, and also include fliers or web addresses to sites when available so club members can familiarize themselves with the route. If you don't know how to get somewhere, don't hesitate to ask someone. I always try to get cell phone numbers of some of the members who are going so I can call someone up ahead in a pinch.

If we are going to cruise as a group out of town, we always try to plan a meeting place and time. The time we talk about in meetings or email is when we are going to leave the designated meeting spot, so be sure to get there at least thirty minutes early. Also, if we pass out a sign-up sheet at the club meeting before the event, be sure to sign up and put a cell phone or other number where we can reach you. If you are late to the meeting place, and have signed up, we can call you to see if we need to wait

for you or not. Our usual meeting places are the Whataburger on N. Market and I-220 for functions north of town, and the Texas welcome center on I-20 for most East Texas adventures. I always try to send out email the weekend before the event so everyone is aware of the when and where we are going to meet for an event.

In the spring, we often participate in about 3 or 4 parades. It is always a great idea to bring something to throw. If you go to Mardi Gras parades and collect a lot of beads, you can always recycle these beads. If you don't have beads, some kind of candy is a great throw. Beware of candy that could melt, or hard candy with sharp edges. Sometimes convertibles are needed for carrying dignitaries or royalty of the parade. If you are interested in volunteering, it is a good idea to bring a blanket or rug for the riders to sit on and have in the seat for them to put their feet on. Most of the time, the riders will have some sort of magnetic sign. If they have a poster they want you to tape to the side of your car, only use blue painters tape. This tape is used by the automotive industry to tape off cars for painting and does not hurt your paint when pulling it off. I try to have some on hand, but it is a good idea to pick some up if you see any. The club also has some magnetic signs that we use to identify our club. If you have antenna flags, those are also a great way to advertise our club. I try to bring business cards and applications in the event we meet people interested in our club.

The most important thing to remember on any club outing is to have fun and be safe. I try to visit with other club members, talk cars, and meet new people. You never know who you will meet at an event, especially out of town.

See you out there!

Thomas Monahan

FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD

This month, as I contemplated what I should write about, I learned about the devastating earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand. Fred and I were there on Christmas Day.

Their most iconic church, the one which we heard the bells toll for Christmas, is mostly gone. Many other places we saw—gone. It just makes you stop and think. Anything/everything you have in your daily life and take for granted, can be—just GONE—in a moment.

Christchurch also stands out for me because it was the first time during our trip, my head whipped around, and went "MUSTANG!" We only saw one other. Here are the photos I managed to catch out the shuttle window: I wonder if the car survived?

Please take a moment to remember your fellow Mustangers of New Zealand.

Erin



March 17th is St Patrick's Day. Remember to raise a toast to Fred and Erin Frostic who will have already celebrated the day in Guam, to Tommy Gayer who was born in Ireland, and to all our other members with a little green in their blood.

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Hey all you Mustang Fans,

Between 30 degree days and 70 degree days this is what is going on this month. We start the first weekend of the month with our monthly meeting at Podnuhs on Mansfield Road. Then we will cruise to go eat dinner TBA. If you are a parade enthusiast you can go to the Highland parade on Sunday. Ask Rhonda Butler for details.

The monthly Car Council Meeting is Thursday the 10th at the Bossier Parish Library on Benton Rd. at 5:30. We are changing the Mud Bug club night to Friday the 11th instead of Saturday the 12th. A large group of club members are wanting to go to the Marshall Cruise. The Marshall Cruise starts this month and is Saturday the 12th. It is Downtown Marshall. Ask Ben Harper for details on cruising. Also on March 12th is the Bossier Rotary's Red River Duck Race. They want us to come out with our cars to support the event.

Our monthly board meeting is Wednesday the 16th at Reed Industrial on Mt. Zion Rd. at 6:30. On Sat-

March Birthdays

- Cory Beard
- Robert Earl Gathright
- Charlie Patrick
- Janette Rushton
- Ted Schuler

Yes this is the same photo that was in the newsletter last month, but at that time we didn't know it would be the cover car and feature story in the April issue of *Modified Mustangs and Fords* magazine. Guess this is Nicole's brush with greatness.

urday the 19th is the Red Bud Festival Parade. Listen closely in the meeting for time and where to meet. Also on the 19th I received an email for the Dogwood Festival Parade and car show in Palestine Tx. For more details visit www.carsofpalestine.com/carshow.

Mark you calendars:
 Texarkana Mustang Stampede,
 May 7th

Oil City Gusher Days
 Car Show and Parade
 May 21st

That is all I have for the month. I may be missing a few things since I have been kind of out of the loop.

Hope everyone has a great month.

Nicole Ferlito



Please submit your 2011 dues and membership form as soon as possible.

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The Red River Classic Mustang Club does not support or endorse any political party, candidate or political objective. The following message dated January 21, 2011, is from SEMA, the Specialty Equipment Market Association and may express that organization's political views. The information contained is very important to those of us with automobiles older than 2007 that may not be equipped to withstand the corrosive properties of ethanol enhanced gasoline, especially those with expensive classics. If you would like to know more about state and federal legislation that is being proposed to limit automobile use, modification and restoration, visit www.semasan.com. Some of the proposals are pretty scary.



URGENT LEGISLATIVE ALERT

SAN Opposes EPA Expansion of E15 Waiver to MY 2001 and Newer Cars

Several weeks ago, the SEMA Action Network (SAN) requested that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) suspend its partial waiver to permit the sale of gasoline containing 15 percent ethanol (E15) for model year 2007 and newer vehicles. Instead, the EPA has taken another step in the wrong direction by expanding the waiver to include MY 2001-2006 vehicles. The decision conflicts with President Obama's Executive Order from earlier this week that requires government agencies to balance social and economic costs.

The EPA agrees with SAN that older cars (pre-MY 2001) should not be fueled with E15. The EPA reached its decision based over concern that ethanol's corrosive qualities could harm the vehicle's engine and other metal, plastic and rubber components. The EPA has proposed that a warning label be posted on the gas pump to prevent misfueling. SAN opposes this solution as incomplete given the significant threat of damage that could arise from misfueling. Even for newer vehicles, the label will cause confusion since most owner's manuals instruct the motorist not to use ethanol blends higher than E10 and warranty coverage may be denied for damage caused by misfueling.

SAN will continue to oppose E15 until there are conclusive scientific findings that demonstrate that it will not harm automobiles of any age as a result of corrosion or other chemical incompatibilities.

Please forward this Alert to your fellow car enthusiasts. Urge them to join the [SAN](#) and help defend the hobby!

13th Annual Texarkana Mustang Stampede, and Cars Are The Stars Open Car Show

7 May 2011 (8 May Rain Day) at Central Mall
2400 Richmond Rd, Texarkana TX

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Non Mustangs will be judged top 10 Pre and Post 1949.

Registration: 8AM – 11AM Awards: 3:30 PM
Registration Fees: \$25 first vehicle additional \$20 each.
Vendor Spaces \$40

Map's, More Information, Contacts and Registration Form can be found at
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Friday
April 8th

8am-5pm
Classification, Registration and Vendor setup

Saturday
April 9th

8am - 11am
Classification, Registration & Vendor setup

10am -
Judges Meeting

12pm-5pm
Judging

Sunday
April 10th

8am - 10am
Judging

2pm - Awards Presentation

Saturday
Event:

"The Texas Experience"

Southern Junction


Texas Honkytonk Dinner

March 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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13	14	15	16 ★	17 	18 ★	19 ★
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

- 5 Club Meeting. 5 PM
- 10 Car Club Council Meeting
- 11 Mudbugs Game
- 12 Bossier Rotary Club's Red River Duck Race
- 12 Marshall, TX Main St. Cruise Night
- 16 RRCMC Board meeting @ Reed Industrial, 6:30 PM
- 17 St Patrick's Day
- 18-19 Azalea Festival Cruise-In, Jasper, TX
- 19 Redbud Festival, Parade and Car Show, Vivian, LA

April 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

- 2 Club Meeting. 5 PM
- 8-10 MCA National in Mesquite, TX
- 9 Asbury Motor Club Show and Auction
- 9 Marshall, TX Main St. Cruise Night
- 14 Car Club Council Meeting
- 15 Income Tax Due
- 20 RRCMC Board meeting @ Reed Industrial, 6:30 PM

Red River Classic Mustang Club, Inc.

2011 Membership Information

Annual membership: \$25.00 single or \$35.00 family
(Please circle one)

New Member | Renewal | Information Update
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Member Information

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail address: _____

Phone: Home _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Mustang Club of America (MCA) membership number: _____

Family Information

Spouse / Co-member Name: _____

E-mail address: _____

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Children(s) Name(s) & Birth Date(s): _____

Automobile Information

YEAR	MODEL	DESCRIPTION (Color, modifications, special edition, etc.)

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