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President's Corner

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Mike Grupa – President

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and Happy New Year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members for making our club one of the best around. It takes members like you to make it what it is today.

This past year has been a tough year for many, and our only car show was our Fall Open Car show due to the COVID-19, but our members and non-members pulled it off and made it a very successful show. We had over 110+ cars in addition to donating to Gullo's Christmas for Kids in the amount of \$4,000. Also, we collected toys during our monthly cruise-in each month and those donations went to Winship Elementary School in Spring.

Now with the vaccine released, and more on the way, hopefully 2021 will be much better than 2020. Hopefully, we will get back to normal and be able to hold our monthly meetings again in the near future.

I would also like say a Big Thank You to Darren Bane and Leann Windmiller for helping me and our club in getting NMCC reinstated with the IRS and getting our club back on track with regards to our reinstatement of our 501(c)(7) status. This wasn't an easy task and took many hours over an entire year and to complete.

Lastly, please note our annual officer elections will be coming up in March. I encourage anyone who wants to run for an open position to please do so... we need your ideas and assistance to make NMCC even better. The positions up for election are: VP, Treasurer, and 4 Director roles... This is your chance to make a difference, so please consider running for a position.

Thoughts and Prayers for your health and safety in these times.

Mike Grupa



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Darren Bane

2020 Gullo Fall Show

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected our personal lives dramatically, and it has also affected our ability to enjoy the company of each other in our club which also affected our fall show timing and planning.



Our previously scheduled date for our 2020 Gullo All Ford show had to be cancelled due to lock down which was imposed. The date was actually moved multiple times before finally being rescheduled into the fall. We were finally able to conduct our show in November 2020 as an open show for all makes and models.

This had become a critical event for our club given the fact that it would be our club's only chance to collect funding in 2020 for Gullo's Christmas for Kids charity which we support annually – so the pressure was on for a successful turnout. We chose the venue at the Outlet Mall of Conroe which provided plenty of room for a large show.

The results of our show for Gullo's charity was a huge success! We had 104 cars register (as shown in the drone photograph) and also awarded 30+ trophies as decided by the participant voters. In all, we raised \$4,000 in this single event with registrations, silent auctions, various other donations, and 50/50 donations... we collected the largest 50/50 pool ever for NMCC at \$572 of which all of the 50% the winnings were donated back to the charity.

The leadership team for NMCC want to thank each and every one of you that came out and supported our effort, helped by volunteering your time, and for your attendance and willingness to come out and participate. We could not have made such a huge accomplishment without you, our valued members!

Stephanie Bane & Jenifer Grupa
2020 Charity Results



Tony Gullo Sr., began Christmas for Gullo Kids charity back in 1992. He wanted to give back to those less fortunate, especially during Christmas. Every year, 50 or more families are selected to take part in the charity. This year during COVID-19, it was more challenging to be able to help families, but Gullo still managed to find a way to keep the spirit going. Northside is always so proud to be able to help this key Gullo charity in any way possible. In 2019, we were able to give a total amount of \$7500 to this effort where \$2500 of this was selected to go to them via the Mustangs Take Flight MCA National Show, plus NMCC was able to add an additional \$5,000. Although COVID-19 made this a challenging year to make up for the lack of events, with the help of our loyal members and Board of Directors, we were able to raise \$4,000 to give to Gullo Christmas for Kids for 2020. We again are so honored to be able to be part of the giving to Gullo's Christmas for Kids, and we are honored to have Gullo as a sponsor of NMCC. Mr. Gullo is a shining example of the caring spirit that we love to admire and follow.

On another note for 2020, Jenifer Grupa suggested repeat a toy drive as was done in 2019. Knowing she would have more challenges in gathering these toys, she talked to the Board (of Directors), and they all decided to start collecting early. The Board chose Winship Elementary school to receive the donations gathered throughout the year, and the school staff were nearly in tears noting they have never received any amount of toys like this ever before. So once again NMCC members and friends, and even people who just showed up to our cruise in, gave with a wonderful heart. This is one of the many reasons NMCC is the best Mustang Car Club in the Houston area.

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VP Update

Darren Bane – Vice President



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Relocation of Monthly Cruise-In to Rudy's BBQ in Conroe due to Large Success

2020 was a very unusual year for all of us considering how COVID-19 has changed the world and our reality of how we socialize. This affected us as NMCC as we were not able to conduct regular meetings at dinner locations due to our club's size, and many of our larger events were postponed or cancelled. As things began to loosen up, we were able to restart our monthly cruise-in events at the Freddy's in Magnolia. This is a key event as it is outdoors and allows social distancing for our club to meet up. Also, this event has been so successful (compared to the legacy JCI event in Humble) that we have been filling the parking lot to capacity and needing to use overflow parking in the next door Taco Bell location by 6:30 or 7:00pm, with many cars coming but eventually leaving due to lack of parking.

We are pleased to announce that starting in January, we are moving our monthly cruise-in to the Rudy's BBQ in Conroe on the 3rd Saturday of every month, starting on January 16th. Rudy's is only about 10 minutes further north (than Freddy's), and their parking lot is much larger and will hold many more participants so people are not turned away... And we will also start awarding a monthly "Coolest Car" trophy award from NMCC to a selected participant... So please get off the couch and come join us starting on January 16th... We look forward to seeing everyone and having a great time!!



**Northside Mustang Car Club
Cruise – In
Open to all makes, models & Car Clubs**

Every 3rd Saturday from 5pm-9pm

2021 Dates:

January 16 th	May 15 th	September 18 th	January, February, March	April, May, June	July-December
February 20 th	June 19 th	October 16 th	Taking donations for	Taking donations for	Winship Elementary
March 20 th	July 17 th	November 20 th	Montgomery County	Montgomery County	School
April 17 th	August 21 th	December 18 th	Animal Shelter	Food Bank	Toy Drive

Coolest Car Award

**Rudy's
COUNTRY STORE
BAR-B-Q**

**RUDY'S LAKE CONROE
14545 HWY 105 W STE E**

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UPCOMING EVENTS: See NMCC Facebook Events Page for more details

Jan 3 – Whitehall Cafe Coffee and Donuts
 Jan 15 /22 / 29 – Freddy’s Friday Night Cruise-In (Spring)
 Jan 15 – Street Night, Houston Motorsports Park
 Jan 16* – Rudy’s Lake Conroe BBQ Cruise-In
 Jan 30 – Tomball Cars & Crafts Extravaganza
 Jan 31 – HPD Twin Peaks Meet in The Woodlands
 Jan 31 – Tomball Extravaganza (Champions Hot Rods)
 Feb 5 /12 / 19 / 26– Freddy’s Friday Night Cruise-In (Spring)
 Feb 7 – Whitehall Cafe Cruise-In (Coffee/Donuts)

Feb 20* – Rudy’s Lake Conroe BBQ Cruise-In
 Mar 5 /12 / 19 / 26– Freddy’s Friday Night Cruise-In (Spring)
 Mar 7 – Whitehall Cafe Cruise-In (Coffee/Donuts)
 Mar 20* – Rudy’s Lake Conroe BBQ Cruise-In

Coming May 1, 2021 – NMCC and Gullo All Ford Spring Show at the Outlet Mall of Conroe (mark your calendars!)



NORTHSIDE MUSTANG CAR CLUB 

PRESENTS THE 12TH ANNUAL GULLO ALL FORD CAR SHOW

Place : Conroe Outlet Mall
1111 League Line Road
Conroe, Texas

When: May 1st, 2021
Time: 8am – 3pm
Registration: 8am – 11am
Judging: 12pm – 2pm
Awards: 3pm

36 Judged Classes / Categories (based on cleanliness) 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Awards

Registration Fee: \$30.00 – Includes T-Shirt
\$25.00 for 1st Responders, Veterans, & Teachers

SVT – Terminator vs. Fox Body Car Show as well!!!

Food Vendors on Site & Vendors Welcome

Two Car Shows In One

Pre-Register at www.northsidemustang.org

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Upcoming MCA National Shows (Vernon Wilhelm):

See MCA and Show Clubs' Website for more details prior to show(s) for any COVID-19 effects

Also added... **October 7-10 (Tucson, AZ) – Spirit of the West MCA National Show**

NATIONAL SHOWS

MCA 45th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

April 1-4

Road Atlanta, Braselton, GA
www.motorsportreg.com

THUNDER ON THE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL

June 11-13

Eureka Springs, AR
Midwest Blue Oval Club
www.midwestblueoval.club

FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD NATIONAL

July 23-25

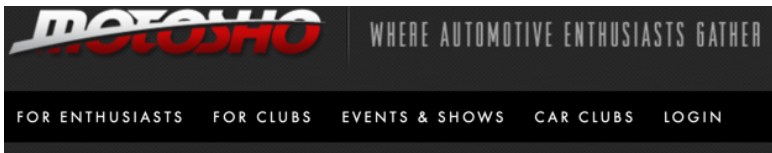
Overland Park, KS
Mustang Club of Greater Kansas City
www.mustangclubofgreaterkc.com

THE GREAT MUSTANG ROUNDUP NATIONAL

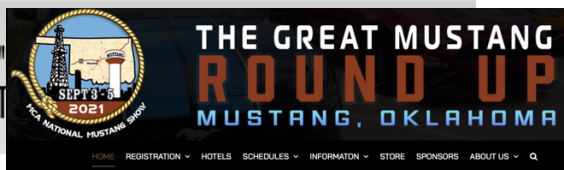
September 3-5

Mustang, OK
Oklahoma Mustang Club
www.okmustangclub.com

The status of upcoming MCA regional club shows remains unknown due to the COVID-19 outbreak. We recommend that you check with show organizers or the club website for the latest updates.



FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD
OVERLAND PARK, KS | JUL 23, 2021 - JUL 25, 2021



Spirit of the West – MCA National Show

October 7 - October 10

*Casino del Sol, 5655 West Valencia Road
Tucson, AZ 85757 United States*

Come and experience Fall in the desert, the most beautiful time of the year! Enjoy a fun-filled fantastic show in Tucson, Arizona. In addition to a great car show, we will have a meet and greet on Thursday night with karaoke and snacks; a Pony Trail to Old Tucson (famous western movie studio) and Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum on Friday (Price to be determined; headcount needed); a barbeque with live Country & Western music on Friday night; and a fabulous rockin'...



MCA 45TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW

BRASELTON, GA | APR 01, 2021 - APR 04, 2021

**MCA 45TH ANNIVERSARY, 350 CAR NATIONAL SHOW
WITH A HIGH PERFORMANCE DRIVING EVENT (HPDE).**

Windmill Award Recipient – David Isaacks

As was noted in the NMCC April-October 2020 newsletter, NMCC implemented a new award for our annual Gullo Show starting with our show on November 7, 2020. The new “Windmill Award” will be awarded to a show entry selected by Tim’s family who they feel comprises the values of a vehicle that Tim would appreciate. As awarded during our Nov 7th show, David Isaacks took home this important award with this 2000 Cobra “R” build, which showed to be an incredible piece of workmanship, with no detail overlooked... We are proud to feature David’s car in this month’s episode to highlight the incredible effort put forth on this amazing “built” Mustang.

Presented below are David’s own words of his efforts, and pictures are featured on the following page.

“I’ve always loved the 00’ Cobra R, but had faced the realization that I could never afford one.

I’m a full time single father to a 7 year old little boy, and it has been just me and him since he was 3 months old, and this has been our father/son project over the past couple of years. I’ve been building/restoring Mustangs since I was 14 years old, so I knew I had the skills to take on this project. Tracking down all of the correct parts was the hard part! When I acquired the car, it was a basket case and needed extensive work.

And the work that "was" performed by the previous owner was substandard, by far. The car has gone through two stages of build since I purchased it as a rolling body years ago, and the Cobra R theme has been in the making for the past 2 years. Hours, days, weeks and even months of deep research was the only way I’ve come as far as I have with this project.

The challenge has been that Cobra R owners are familiar with the parts for their cars, and they know exactly what they are, including the fact that they are worth substantial money. I have figured out how to cross reference various R specific part numbers, and locate what other vehicles were provided with these same parts, and that has been a huge help in this build process. For example, who would ever guess the Cobra R cooling system utilizes parts from a 96 Mazda MX6 and Ford Probe. In addition, the climate control panel came from a 94’ Ford Bronco, the steering wheel backing plate from a ‘99 Mustang V6 base model with no cruise control, and the use of a ‘99 F150 5.4L engine without an AC belt tensioner, etc. Every last detail of work on this car has been performed by me, and my son. The only item I did not dare attempt was the engine block machining and cylinder heads rebuild. The end goal with this car was to get it to a point of quality of which anyone would expect out of a brand new car rolling off of the assembly line, and then enjoy it with my son and show it off to the world. The message with this build is to convey to everyone that your dreams CAN be built, and not just wished upon.”

Pictures are presented on the next page →

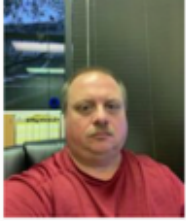
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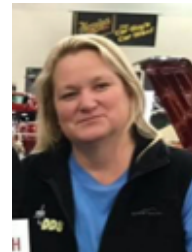
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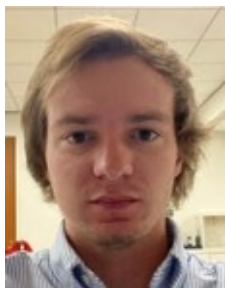
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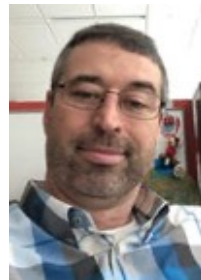
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