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Coming from a family of muscle cars and motorcycles, it has been in my blood to own and work on cars. I spent a good part of a decade fixing. repairing and building rotary engines. The last car that I built was award winning Best-of -Show 1993 Mazda RX-7 and is still in the same condition as sold, and is still winning trophies along the east coast. As I grew older, I felt that I needed to get back to my roots. I sold off all my inventory and cars and started a new journey.

With the sale of the 1993 Mazda RX-7 to a wonderful owner in North Carolina, I pursued one of my dream cars; a 2003 Mustang SVT Cobra, known as the "Terminator" for its factory supercharged small block that yielded conservatively 390hp. Backed by a Tremec T56 transmission and a factory IRS system, these cars are the last of the raw muscle car feel as they changed in 2007 to a new retro redesign.

In early 2017 I purchased the Sonic Blue Cobra with 8047 miles. It's a two-owner out of Kansas. This is the only year they produced this rare color in the Cobras. From there I began the transformation. Being that the block came from ford as a high nickel iron block and forged internals, the engine was ready for more horsepower. I fitted it with a larger 2.3 liter supercharger, American Racing headers, and a complete fuel system. (cont. next page)



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'Stang of the Month (Cont.)

The car is tuned for pump 92 and C16 (117 octane racing fuel). On pump gas the car dyno'd at 660 wheel horsepower. We never dyno'd it on C16 but it should be near 720 wheel horsepower; well over 800hp at the flywheel.

I occasionally drive it and do occasionally drag race it. I also take it to certain shows under certain conditions from time to time. The car has run mid 10s in the quarter mile with a novice driver behind the wheel. The car currently has just shy of 11k miles.

I always wanted to own something older but they come at a huge expense. I started Nate's Appliance, and now am fortunate enough to afford another dream car of mine; the 1969 Ford Mustang Sportsroof. I own 2 currently. First, a 1969 Sportsroof non-GT/Mach-1 car in gulfstream aqua. This is a sporty, mildly-built, beautiful car with a pumped up 302. The other car I have is a resto-mod project in the works. It's a 1969 Sportsroof non-GT/Mach-1 car as well. The car, when finished, should have well over 120k into it and I will be looking to show, race and drive this car. Currently I am waiting on the 1600hp 4.6 Terminator engine to finish being built and the Whipple 3.0 liter supercharger to arrive so I can get started.

- Nate Jonard







ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Apri

5th (Tues) - Monthly Club Meeting at Darcy's in the Valley. Meeting starts at 7pm. All are welcome to come early to eat and visit.

8th - 10th (Fri - Sun) - Spokane Speed and Custom Show at the Fairgrounds. Our club will be displaying 5 cars. If you are interested in displaying yours or helping, contact Jeff. More details to follow. POC: Jeff Larson (509) 456-8565.

19th (Tues) - Monthly Run – Details to follow. POC(s): Ron & Diane West (509) 467-0205.

30th (Sat) - Shakedown Cruise - Details to follow. POC: Tom Seep (509) 953-3983.

May

3rd (Tues) - Monthly Club Meeting at Darcy's in the Valley. Meeting starts at 7pm. All are welcome to come early to eat and visit.

17th (Tues) - Monthly Run – Details to follow. POC(s): Ron & Diane West (509) 467-0205.

24th (Tues) - IEMC Board Meeting at Perkins on Division. Meeting starts at 6:30. Room is reserved starting at 5:30. Come early to eat and visit. POC: Tom Seep (509) 953-3983.

Check the IEMC Website for updates to the Calendar

<u>April Birthdays</u>

- 1-Larry Lavalle
- 2-Wendy Hall
- **4-Tony Brown**
- 5-Mike Pringle
- 7-Misty LaBret
- 10-Jessica Barton
- 11-Sam Picicci
- 12-David Brink
- 12-JoAnn Grennell
- 16-Dale McBride
- 17-Logan Kemp
- 18-Pattiya Sontowski
- 19-Gregg Brantner
- 19-Jamie Halbig
- 29-Nathan Jonard

The Prez Sez...

By Tom Seep



Here we are watching April showers bring May flowers and looking out for the taxman!

With the soaring gas prices, I want to know how that will affect your travel plans for the summer. Should the Club do more cruises this summer and fall or stay close to home? After all, only the wealthy can drive, LOL. For example, Bruce Stirn and I went to Seattle where we saw diesel fuel prices ranging from \$4.85 to \$6.79 per gallon. Our trip cost \$186.00--talk about sticker shock.

The Club has entered five cars into the Spokane Speed & Custom Show. Come out and support us at the Spokane County Fair & Expo Center on April 8, 9 and 10. There will be many beautiful cars will be on display.

As a reminder, Club dues are now payable for the period April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023. Bring your check or cash to the next meeting and save a stamp.

Kudos to Board Member Ed Thomason for his outstanding posts about IEMC on Facebook. They are giving the Club a lot of exposure. Thanks, Ed.

Carpe diem, Mustangers!

- Tom

'Stang Of The Month Wanted

Want to see your car featured in the newsletter? It's easy to do. Just send a story about yourself and your car, including any relevant history and interesting details, to the email address below. Don't worry about grammar or spelling, the editor can handle that for you. Include several good quality pictures, or you can arrange to have pictures taken.

Send your items to: kfrank@valley4th.com

Meeting Minutes March 1, 2022 Francine





Darcy's Restaurant. 10502 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley, WA. 7:00 PM.

Officers: Tom Seep-President, Allen Trusley-Vice President, Mary Jo Beck-Treasurer, Francine Dober-Secretary.

Directors: Barry Barton, Tom Eickmeyer, Gary Gunning, Bruce Stirn, Ed Thomason and Ron West.

Meeting called to order by President Tom Seep. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the membership.

Welcome and glad to have you. Thank you for attending Ray Smiths service at the Veterans cemetery. It was a cold day. Nice to see a few Mustangs show up. Playing of Tap's is always touching.

Speed N Custom Show is coming up. The club pays half of the \$65 registration fee.

Visitors welcomed by Rhonda Giardina.

Russ Foster new member attending has a replica Daytona coupe.

Nathan and Jessica Jonard joining have a 69 Mach 1, 69 Sportsroof and a 2003 SVT Cobra.

February meeting minutes taken by Francine are approved as written.

Treasurers report by Mary Jo Beck. Dues are coming in. PO Box rental has been paid. Franklin Park has been reserved for Hot Wheels. Club will pay ½ of the registration fee for members attending the Speed N Custom Show. 5 have signed up.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities report by Ron West.

- Upcoming Run to Tecate Mexican Grill. Show up at 6:30pm.
- March 26th is the Silent Auction at Darcy's. Details of the event shared.

Francine made the invitation. Crystal Redinger has collected 20 merchant donations. Thank you Crystal.

- April 30th is the Shakedown Cruise. POC Tom Seep.
- Third Tuesday April Run not planned yet.

Health and Welfare report by Vicki West. Service for Cathy Jones is Saturday. Crystal Redinger is feeling better and attending tonight.

Members draw by Rhonda Giardina. Kim and Jan Frank won the \$10 draw.

Nadine Smith thanked all who attended Ray's service and shared a fun story.

March Meeting Minutes (Cont.)

Motorsports report by Kim Frank. Autocross has a season plan. See him for more details. Held at the Deer Park. asnw.org

Hot Wheels report by Bruce Stirn. We have the SW corner of Franklin Park reserved for August 6th. Volunteers are needed. Bruce has a signup sheet. Other shows that day but we are on the grass!

OTHER BUSINESS:

Website report by Barry Barton. Check for current calendar and Stang of the Month.

Facebook report by Ed Thomason. Submit pictures. More constant posts. It's growing fast. Gaining numbers. Inviting other clubs to post.

INCCC update by Jack Bean. 195 tickets were sold to Show No Shine. Calendars not printed yet. Our club basket was a hit. Thank you Francine. Lots of auction items and a fun time.

Newsletter report by Kim Frank. Been working on e-mail problems. New member Nathan Jonard was picked as next Stang of the Month.

Club apparel and merchandise report by Tom Eickmeyer. Club website will lead you to Zome Design our club vender. More hats will be ordered. Donated clothing is offered for a donation.

Any new ponies or modifications? Crystal Redinger is having fun.

Back Yard Mechanic created by Allen Trusley. If you need help with something here's your chance to ask.

Tom Seep will take his Shelby to Seattle to get his convertible top repaired.

HA Award goes to Jack Bean for getting lost in Vancouver multiple times.

Toni Bean recapped a fun time at the INCCC Show No Shine.

Door prizes awarded by Ron West. 50/50 awarded by Tom Eickmeyer. Tom and Catherine won the \$84 draw.

Meeting adjourned by President Tom Seep.

Next meeting is April 5, 2022 at Darcy's. 7PM.

Hope to see you then. Thanks for attending. Francine, Secretary IEMC.



IEMC Returns to Speed Show

IEMC returns to the Spokane Speed and Custom Show this year after a two-year COVID absence. The show runs from April 8-10 at the Spokane Interstate Fair and promises to be as good as ever. Hundreds of high quality hot rods, customs, classics and rat rods will draw crowds from all over the Northwest. The club will feature five cars, detailed and polished to perfection, and if past shows are any indication, the club members should walk away with some hardware for their trophy cases. Pictured below is the club display from the 2019 show.



Joey Lagano Takes to Driffting NASCAR Mustang

Ford Performance has posted an article on its website featuring the filming of a commercial for Pennzoil which teamed up professional drifter Chelsea DeNofa and NASCAR driver Joey Lagano on the infield track at Charlotte Motor Speedway. There was an added twist to the event; the camera vehicle used to do the filming was a 735hp custom Ford F-150, and if that weren't enough, the truck was driven by Vaughn Gittin Jr., famous for his drifting skills using all kinds of Ford vehicles. The behind-the-scenes video is available on YouTube at the link https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=9uPVBUf_eWs or by searching "Chelsea DeNova x Joey Lagano."



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The greatest compliment you can give is a referral.

Submissions due by the 20th of the month. Classifieds: Free to members or brought forth by member. Renewable every three months. Business cards: \$20 for 12 months.

Send payment to the club Treasurer. E-mail ads to the Editor.

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Club Purpose

and General Information

Inland Empire Mustang Club (IEMC)

Club Purpose: Our club exists to promote the enjoyment and preservation of all Mustang automobiles. There's no limit to how many Mustangs or other Ford-powered automobiles you may register. Ownership is not required. However, enthusiasm is definitely encouraged!

Club Mailing Address: VIA Pony Express

IEMC

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Monthly Stampede:

The IEMC holds a monthly get together the third Tuesday of each Month. Check the IEMC website, Activity Alerts and this newsletter for details.

Club Website:

www. inlandempiremustangclub.com

The site features contacts, publications, photos, stories, ads, an updated/current calendar of events and many other items of interest.

Newsletter:

The award winning IEMC MUSTANG is the official club publication. An electronic version is sent monthly to everyone who has an e-mail address. A condensed black and white version is mailed to those members who "opt in" for a hard copy each month. E-mail your contributions (articles, photos, classified ads, business cards) and questions to the Editor by the 20th of the month.

Advertising Policy: Submission deadline is the 20th of the month. Business cards \$20 for one year. Classifieds: Free to members, renewable every 3 months. Send payment to IEMC Treasurer, e-mail ads to the Editor.

Meeting Place: (1st Tuesday, Monthly)

Darcy's Restaurant

10502 E Sprague Ave

Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month. It's an excellent time to meet fellow club members and make new friends. Meetings start at 7:00PM. Come early (by 6:00pm) to eat and visit. All family members are welcome to attend and join the fun.

Membership Dues:

Individual and family members: \$25 for a 12 month membership. Dues are payable April 1st and shall become delinquent after May 31st. Membership includes one additional "associate" family member for the purpose of voting. Such individuals must reside with the member and be at least 16 years of age. Individuals, other than the member's spouse or significant other, that have reached 25 years of age are not eligible for "associate" status and must obtain their own membership.

Mustang Registry:

IEMC maintains a current member Mustang registry. This is a real help to the club for planning events and will give you the opportunity to have your ride featured in the club newsletter "Stang of the Month" article. Contact the webmaster for a registry form or more information.

