IEMC MUSTANG





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I started getting into Mustangs in High school with my friends. About 15 years ago I saw a 1967 Mustang in someone's backyard in Cheney. I approached the owner and asked if he would be interested in selling the Mustang and he agreed. So, I purchased it for \$2000.

It was pretty rusted and needed a lot of work. I reached out to a friend of mine who was a mechanic and he decided to take on the job of restoring it. He worked on it in between his full time job so it took a while to get it finished. I am really happy with his work and I am excited to be a part of the Mustang club.

- Candido and Marla Arellano







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ACTIVITY CALENDAR

November

1st (Tues) - Monthly Club Meeting at Darcy's in the Valley. Meeting starts at 7pm. All are welcome to come early to eat and visit.

15th (Tues) - Monthly Run. Details to follow. POC: Ron West (509) 467-0205. West (509) 467

December

3rd (Sat) Christmas Party at Darcy's. More details to follow. POC: Ron West (509) 467-0205.

6th (Tues) - Monthly Club Meeting at Darcy's in the Valley. Meeting starts at 7pm. All are welcome to come early to eat and visit. POC: Tom Seep (509) 953-3983.

No Monthly Run in December - Merry Christmas to all!

Check the IEMC Website for updates to the Calendar

FYI: We purposely leave open time each month so that we can do "spur of the moment" activities such as cruises, car shows, get-togethers, picnics and more that members would like to do at the last minute.

November Birthdays

1-Tom Morris 24-Colleen Szacik

4-Joy Lawton 26-Steve Baeumel

5-Diana Brink 26-Scott Robar

6-Tara Tippett 28-Francine Dober

7-Nan Bishop 30-Jeff Larson

8-Candido Arellano 30-Roy Lee

12-Anita Hewitt

12-Shane Guy

13-Candace Pringle

14-Hunter Brown

14-Kari Lidbeck

16-Marilyn Butler

19-Shawn LeBret

20-Nadine Smith

24-Christine Binkley



The Prez Sez...

By Tom Seep

Fall seems to be in full swing with rain, cold, and the tangy aroma of



wood smoke from people's fireplaces. It's time to put the ponies into deep hibernation! I think most people would agree with me that this is my favorite time of year, when I can break out the flannels and feel the cool, brisk air in the morning.

The 34th annual Concours d'Elegance was a good showing for our club. Of the eight cars that were, seven received awards. And six of those seven placed first in their class

On October 9, Marty Lawrence and the Pharaohs organized a quick run up to Long Lake dam and back through Reardan and Airway Heights. A few of our club members joined the cruise on a beautiful Sunday afternoon.

As mentioned last month, elections of our club Officers and Board Members will be held at the December meeting. There are two open Board positions (two-year term) and all Officer positions are open, even though the incumbents have agreed to serve another term. So start thinking about who you'd like to nominate or whether you'd like to serve the Club in some role.

As Thanksgiving nears, we can all be grateful for fast cars and the people who love driving them. Stay safe in your travels as the weather changes.

Carpe diem, Mustangers!

- Tom

Welcome New Members

Kenneth and Debbie Boone:

'65 Coupe yellow / stock

Meeting Minutes October 4, 2022 Submitted by Francine





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

Officers: Tom Seep-President, Jeff Larson-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. Thank you all for coming.

A plaque of appreciation was presented to Snow's Auto who donated \$500 to our 22nd annual Hot Wheels car show. Ed Thomason accepted for Snow's and will deliver it as he works there. A second plaque will be delivered personally to Mario at Corwin Ford who donated \$800. Barry thanked the 27 volunteers who helped count ballots and those that helped with car registration.

Columbia Crest Winery car show. 8 members went and 7 cars placed; 6 took 1st and one 2nd. A good show with 188 cars registered. Good weather. Last year at that location.

2023 elections are coming up. Nominating committee is being formed. Greg Goeden volunteered to be on the nominating committee with Bruce Stirn. One more member is needed.

Crystal Redinger spoke of Pharoahs Trunk or Treat at Hangry's on Oct. 30th. Bring treats or donation and have fun. There are other dates also; the 22nd here and the 29th in CDL to help Goodwill. Flyer available with more information.

Guest speaker Krystal Theis spoke of their first annual Trunk or Treat event to help Spokane Angels / Foster care. That event is on Saturday Oct. 29th at the Central Valley High School parking lot. Registration \$75 per space. She left flyers with more information.

• Motion made by Greg Goeden that the club donate to this cause; second, favored, passed. Treasurer Mary Jo presented Krystal with a check for \$75. She was surprised and grateful.

New members introduced by Nadine Smith. Kenneth Boone checked us out last month and came back to join. Wife Debbie was not present. They have a 65 Coupe yellow / stock.

September meeting minutes were approved by the membership.

Treasurers report by Mary Jo Beck. Picnic expenses recorded. Brown bag auction raised \$97. Penny jar was passed; averages \$60 to 70 a month which adds to charity gifting at the end of the year. Thank you.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities committee. Report by Ron West.

- Club Picnic on September 17th at Merkel Park had a good turnout.
- Hammers on September 20th had good food.
- October's Run will be to Ron's Drive In. (Dragon Inn was scheduled but cannot serve a group at this time).
- November's Run TBA. Possibly to 5 Guys.
- Club Christmas Party set for Saturday December 3, 2022 at Darcy's. Details to follow.

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October Meeting Minutes (Cont.)

Auction committee. Report by Carl Sontowski. We have not been paid yet, he will check on that.

Health and Welfare committee. No report. Team leader Vicki West was absent.

Hot Wheels committee. Report by Bruce Stirn. We have Franklin Park reserved for the next 3 years. <u>Hot Wheels committee needs team leaders.</u> Bruce is stepping down.

Membership committee. Members draw by Nadine Smith. Kerry Drewes won the \$10 and donated it to the Penny Jar. Thank you.

Motorsports committee. All guiet. Andy Kautzman reported that the road course is open.

OTHER CLUB BUSINESS:

Newsletter report by editor Kim Frank. Needs Stang of the Month cars. Also car pictures and personal stories for "Ponies on the Trail".

Club Apparel and Merchandise report by Tom Eickmeyer. Trying to order more hats. There are donated logo embroidered ladies shirts for sale. Check it out.

Logo mugs are still available. \$10 each. POC Francine.

Facebook report by Ed Thomason. Doing well; 70% men, 30% women viewing. Featuring "Events" of interest to car hobby enthusiasts'.

INCCC. No report. Club representative is needed.

Website report by Barry Barton. Stang of the Month is on the web's front page as well as in the newsletter.

New Ponies or Modifications: Lawton's got a 97 convertible Red. Ed Thomason got a new Bronco.

Backyard Mechanic. No chatter.

HA Award: Two candidates' battled for the prize; Gary Gunning and Shari Pasco told their own stories. Shari won by a majority show of hands.

Club's 40 Year Anniversary is in 2023. Be thinking of ways to celebrate. POC the Prez.

Door Prizes awarded by Ron West.

50/50 Draw by Tom and Catherine Eickmeyer. Marcia Morris won \$107. <u>50/50 volunteer needed for next year.</u> Tom and Catherine Eickmeyer are stepping down. Justin Stelzer?

Presidents Choice Drawing. Won by Shawn LeBret. Gift certificate to Tecate's restaurant.

Meeting adjourned by President Tom Seep.

Next meeting is Tuesday November 1,, 2022. Same place, same time.

Be safe in your travels. The Prez.

Minutes by Francine Dober Secretary.

HELP IS NEEDED!

IEMC is not pushing 40 years without merit.

Team work makes the Dream work!

Please review the <u>underlined NEEDS</u> throughout the minutes. You don't have to do it alone; you can always team up with a buddy. Why not give it a try? We'll find something to fit your time and talents. Feel free to contact current team leaders for more information. Contact info is on the website. Thank you!

Corwin Ford Receives Appreciation Plaque

Recently, President Tom Seep met with Mario Wierzchowski, General Manager of Corwin Ford Spokane to present him with a plaque in appreciation for his support for the club's very successful Hot Wheels 2022 car show. Tom described it as a great meeting and that Mario was a very friendly down-to-earth guy. Mario expressed that his dealership will be there to support our club in future events.

Thanks Mario and Corwin Ford!



'22 Shelby GT500 Raises Over \$1 Million For Charity



Barrett-Jackson Auctions recently sold a rare 2022 Shelby GT 500 Heritage Edition Mustang at auction to benefit hurricane—relief in Florida and to help Samaritan's Purse whose efforts to provide recovery assistance for the storm ravaged area have been herculean. The car, which has a retail sale price of over \$114,000 and had never been driven, was donated by its original owner, philanthropist George Shinn. It sold twice at the auction, once for \$400,000 (to Mike Patterson, who promptly donated the car back to the auction), and the second time for \$300,000. In addition, Shinn, Kathy Lee Gifford, Rick Hendrick and other celebrities donated to the cause bringing the grand total raised to \$1,000,938.00!

My Stories - Learning To Drive

By Kim Frank, Editor

I couldn't wait to get my driver's license when I was in high school. I counted down the days to my 15th birthday and made sure I was first in line at the DMV to get my learner's permit. I studied diligently for the written test, memorizing all the signs and markings, rights-of-way, and rules of the road in eager anticipation of securing that golden ticket. I was on my way to independence and adulthood.

The process of learning to drive wasn't easy, but the payoff was worth it. My high school offered on-site driver's education classes through the school, which included simulator training and in-car driving experience. But, before anyone got a crack at either of those you had to go through the lecture and video education portion, which consisted of multiple images of horribly crashed cars and mangled bodies strewn across a highway. I think the state was trying to weed out the most insecure and queasy potential drivers before they even get started. These days, those videos would be rated R for violence, gruesome imagery, and ridiculous dialog.

Step two in the learning process was getting behind the wheel of a driving simulator. The simulators then operated like a Disney ride designed for Fantasy Land where you can spin the wheel and push pedals to your heart's desire with no actual effect on where the ride goes. There was a movie that shown on a central screen and the student's out-of-bounds inputs from the accelerator, brakes and steering wheel would cause a buzz or vibration in your "car". A machine kept track of your errors then produced a printout at the end of the class to show you how truly bad you were at operating a motor vehicle. Again, the information was produced to dissuade teenagers from ever wanting to drive on public roadways. Sometimes the class as a whole would purposely try to crash our cars simultaneously. It never worked, the movie stayed steady, and we all failed the machine tally.

After the simulator, we were ready to drive an actual car. Well, sort of. The driver's training cars were set up with an additional brake pedal and steering wheel on the right for the passenger side instructor. In an emergency, the instructor could, theoretically, take control of the vehicle and save from certain death, the kindergartener who just chased his four-square ball into the street. We never tested the effectiveness of the duplicate controls because our teacher, a rather large man with a handlebar mustache and a poor attitude, made it very clear that if he ever had to touch the wheel or the brake, we'd instantly flunk the course. Physical bodily harm was also a possibility.

The cars we used for instruction were sponsored/donated by the local Bellevue Porsche and Volkswagen dealer (The franchise owner's daughter played saxophone in the stage band.) So, you would think we would have some pretty cool cars to learn in, right? Nope. The training automobiles were Volkswagen type 4 models (Google that one for a good laugh), which were small station wagon-style cars, with an 86-horsepower rear-mounted engine. They were slow and had no creature comforts whatsoever. The car barely produced enough heat in the winter to keep the windows defrosted, and of course there was no warm weather A/C in the cars, but they did have hand-cranked windows.

After several weeks of rolling the high school neighborhood, we were finally ready to tackle high speed driving; the freeway. If you are familiar with the Bellevue and the greater Seattle area, this would be considered a joke right now because the freeway does not involve driving at high speeds. Currently you can read the newspaper during your commute while driving on I-5 or I-405, but back in the day you could drive the legal limit (55, thanks Jimmy Carter). We completed the task with no rollovers and no deaths, so we all passed.

During the term of the class, and with our official learners permit in hand, we were required to continue to practice our driving skills in our own family vehicles with the supervision of a duly accredited and legally licensed driver over the age of 21. Mom served that roll for the Frank kids as dad was usually on the road peddling his eyeglass wears. It was better that way because mom was less reactive than dad would be. She remained relatively calm and collected when I misjudged the edge of the curb or didn't decelerate enough on a 90-degree turn. Thankfully, the car I practiced with already had plenty of road miles and body scars, my little mishaps were of no consequence.

They built tough cars back in the day and our 1966 Chevy was not going to go down easily. The car was big and heavy, but good for a beginning driver; it didn't have a lot of power, it was an automatic and the brakes were decent. I looked forward to the day that I would receive it as a hand-me-down from my folks. The Impala would be collectable today had I kept it in good shape, but, alas, hindsight is 20/20.

Parallel parking was part of the driving test then, so the greatest portion of practice time was spent trying to master the maneuver, knowing that a satisfactory result would virtually guarantee a driver's license on the first try. The problem was that there isn't an easy way to practice parallel parking on the actual street between actual cars without causing some kind of damage. I managed to learn the technique without hitting any cars, and I reduced the number of moves back and forth from about 30, to a manageable 3 or 4. It turned out that the parking test at the DMV was more difficult than real life because they used a couple of poles to represent cars and lines on the ground to represent parking spaces. Without the perspective of full-bodied cars, it was hard to judge the distances and where to align my car to begin backing and turning. But happily, I passed the parallel parking test anyway.

Next came the road driving skills test. I took to the street in the big Chevy feeling confident after my victory in step one. I carefully listened to the examiner, following every instruction to the T. I had this thing nailed. There was no way they could deny me a Washington State Driver License after my stellar performance. But they did.

Something about "cutting too many left-hand corners" and "not maintaining a center of the lane posture" was noted on the disqualification form. How dare they deny me my right to drive! What kind of birthday present was that? I was upset and embarrassed, but I learned exactly what I needed to do on the next try. I recouped and tried again at the earliest opportunity.

My DL picture turned out great. My shoulder-length hair, parted down the middle, my silver aviator eyeglasses with auto-tinting lenses, and my pointy collar silk shirt completed the

My Story (Cont.)

1974 look.

The bad news was how my license number came out. They used a formula at that time which consisted of beginning the license number sequence with the first five letters of the driver's last name followed by the first and middle initials, then a number which was the result of 100 minus the birth year, then a random couple of digits. All that to say that my number starts like this: FRANKKK. Yep, there it is, KKK right in the middle of my driver license number. Thanks mom.

Having a driver license gave me an independence that every teenager longs for. I was free to go where I wanted without supervision. I could drive, carefree around Lake Sammamish dozens of times on a tank of gas. I could view the drive-in movie from the front seat. I could drive to the houses of friends who didn't live in my neighborhood. Ah, freedom.

The '66 Impala did eventually become my car. I took it to college in Oregon and brought it with me to Spokane when I came to attend EWU. But, maintaining a car and keeping it insured is always a struggle for young people, let alone trying to keep the gas gauge above E. I was no exception. The transmission stopped shifting properly, but I learned how to drive it like a manual. The rear window seal was shot, and the trunk was consistently full of water. There wasn't a straight panel on the car, but it was still fairly reliable, and I loved it despite its shortcomings. Mostly, it represented some of the best memories of my life.

Eventually, I sold the car to a coworker at NW Optical Supply. He made some repairs and drove it beyond the final shuttering of the business. I don't know the ultimate fate of the car, but I trust that it served him as well as it served me.

Having my license to drive gave me a confidence and a feeling of equality with other students who were far taller or more athletic. Cars are a great equalizer in that way. I think that is why so many racers and NASCAR drivers are not large guys. They are competitive in dangerous sports because the skills required to win are not dependent on their physical size.

I never fear driving, but there was an occasion just five months after obtaining my license that severely tested my confidence. The family decided to take a trip back to Great Falls for Christmas. For some reason it was determined that taking both of my parent's cars would be required so I happily volunteered to drive my mothers' Cadillac Coupe De Ville.

The plan was simple enough: Follow my dad. But he had a couple distinct advantages over me: 1. Many years of winter driving experience on the very roads we would travel. 2. He was driving a front wheel drive Cadillac Eldorado with much better traction than Mom's rear wheel drive coupe.

The trip started nice enough. No issues, breakdowns or failures. But the typical Bellevue rain quickly turned to snow as we headed east. By the time we crossed the Montana border we were in full blizzard white-out conditions. I could barely see the taillights of my dad's car, and I knew that I would have to stay close enough to him or risk going off the road as all lines and markings were totally invisible. I could picture him in the big Caddy casually driving with one hand on the wheel and the other on an open cup of gas station coffee as he drove a little faster than the posted speed limit, IN THE MIDDLE OF A BLIZZARD!

Meanwhile, I was holding onto the steering wheel with a death grip so tight I swear I left dents. My pride wouldn't let me show my absolute fear, but I was secretly praying for safety, or at least that the injuries wouldn't be too severe when we fly off the ice-covered road at 70 MPH, IN THE MIDDLE OF A BLIZZARD!

All ended well, no crashes, no deaths, just an enjoyable Christmas time with family. Then it dawned on me, we'd have to drive home.

Ford Helps Celebrate Shelby Bash



Partying in Las Vegas is certainly nothing new, But when Shelby celebrates its 60th anniversary, the reveling gets kicked up a notch or two. The celebration, which started as an annual recognition of Carroll Shelby's birthday, has evolved into a yearly festival of all things Shelby and Ford.

Several days of activities and events highlighted the bash, including competitive poker runs, cruising the Las Vegas strip, and even making laps on the Las Vegas Speedway behind a NASCAR race car.

Not one to miss an opportunity, Ford presented its Youth Initiative for young people who may be considering getting involved in the automotive industry. Speakers included Craig Jackson of Barrett Jackson auctions, Aaron Shelby (Carroll's grandson), racer Vaughn Gittin Jr., and others. Thirty-four kids from local LV schools participated in the events which culminated in a few hot laps around the track with pro drivers in Ford vehicles.

Jim Owens, the Mustang and Shelby brand manager at Ford, taught the kids the history of the Mustang and the development of the Shelby-Ford relationship. He talked with the students about the engineering that goes into building durable and dynamic performance cars and he popped the hood on a new Shelby GT500 Heritage Edition Mustang to highlight the 760 HP 5.2 Liter V-8 supercharged Predator engine.

The excitement was building as the GT500 was fired up and the sweet sounds of the 2.7 liter supercharger and the exhaust notes combined to produce a cacophony of muscle car thunder, but the best part came when the students donned the helmets and were given rides in one of America's best super cars. Hopefully those kids will use that experience, and their love for cars, to preserve the performance car industry in the future.



Lets have some fun!



Help us fill the jar with tiny cars for this years INCCC Show no Shine raffle donation.

Doesn't have to be a Mustang or even a car or even new. Just bring a 3" toy Hot Wheels, Matchbox or Maisto and add it to the jar.



Our awesome custom lamp will be up for auction at the 2023 INCCC Show no Shine in February.

Contact incarclubcouncil.org for more event info or to purchase tickets to the Show no Shine.

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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

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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

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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.

