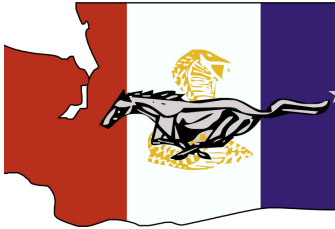


# IEMC MUSTANG



## 'Stang of the Month

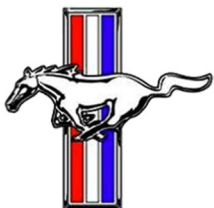


**Amy Holmquist's '67 Fastback Mustang**



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In the late 70's my father and one of his friends wanted to be cool and have Mustangs, so they went down to Eller Motors in Spokane and found two used Mustangs. One was a 1967 fastback and the other a 1967 coupe. My dad decided to go with the fastback because he felt it would hold its value better over time, so a fastback became our Family Truckster (see above photo 1967 fastback purchased in 1970).

Many memories were created around this car, like my parents hauling us kids to sporting events, learning how to drive, and even the memory of getting my first ticket while cruising Riverside with my best friend in the 80's. When my husband first heard about this ticket, he was excited to hear a good story about a drag race or some sort of cool burnout in front of the police, but was ultimately disappointed when I told him the ticket was for turning down a closed street. 😊



Sometime around 1990, the fastback got parked in the back yard and was mostly forgotten, other than the occasional use as a storage container for things like soccer balls and volleyball nets. Fast forward to 2023, after sitting for 30 years being exposed to the elements my parents gifted me the fastback. I was very grateful and excited, but the car needed a LOT of work just to get it running (see gifted car 2023 picture). Luckily, my husband and one of his friends have a little bit of mechanical knowhow which made me feel a little better when looking at the flat tires and miscellaneous car parts laying around. The three of us, (mainly his friend) worked on it for about a year with others, like my husbands sons, pitching in to get the car running and driving for the first time (see pictures). The big smile and arm pump is from the first time it fired up.

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## "Stang of the Month" (cont.)

At this point we have completed the following work:

- Remove and replace floor pans
- Repair hood cowl rust areas
- Replace heater/heater Core
- Replace brake lines/brakes/drums
- Replace fuel tank, fuel lines, fuel pump and sending unit
- Replace shocks
- New Tires
- Repair and paint rally wheels
- Misc. electrical
- Rebuild carburetor
- Have Mustang Andy rebuild carburetor again

Our next steps are to redo the interior and then eventually body work and maybe paint, but we don't have the skills or time right now. We will find a way and since I am now a member of the IEMC Mustangs club I am hoping for some advice at upcoming events from those that have already walked in my shoes.

*Amy Holmquist*



Gifted Car in 2023



Amy works on the shocks



As it sits today



## **ACTIVITY CALENDAR**

### **February**

**3rd (Tues)** - Note Start Time Monthly Club Meeting at Darcy's in the Valley. Meeting starts at 6:30pm. All are welcome to come early to eat and visit. POC: Kim Frank 509-954-4398.

**12th (Thurs)** - Hot Wheels Planning Meeting. 6pm at Illinois Ave Grill. Discussion will include: If there will an event, what it should include and how to make it happen. POC: Kim Frank 509-954-4398.

**17th (Tues)** - Monthly Run to the HuHot Mongolian Grill, 11703 E Sprague - Spokane Valley. Meet there at 5:30pm. POCs: Diane Harwood (509) 951-9787 & Gary Gunning (509) 922-2596.

### **March**

**3rd (Tues)** - Note Start Time Monthly Club Meeting at Darcy's in the Valley. Meeting starts at 6:30pm. All are welcome to come early to eat and visit. POC: Kim Frank 509-954-4398.

**14th (Sat)** - Silent Auction Dinner for Charity - 5pm at Darcy's. Dinner will be ordered off the menu. A signup sheet will be at the Feb and March meetings. Donations are most appreciated. POC: Diane Harwood (509) 951-9787.

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

Be sure to check the website often for schedule changes

## **Frankly Speaking...**

By **Kim Frank, President**



By now, you should have received your 2026 IEMC Survey by email or USPS. If not, please contact me and I'll make sure to provide one to you. The Survey is your voice to the Board and it will make a difference in how the club works this year, so please take the time to fill it out online or on paper. I'm beginning to analyze the responses we've received so far, and I'll share some of what I've learned at the next monthly meeting on February 3rd. I'll also bring some printed copies of the Survey to the meeting for those who would like to pick one up in person. In addition, I'll keep the online Survey accessible through the end of February.

Another way you can participate with the club is to attend the Hot Wheels Car Show preliminary planning meeting on Thursday Feb 12th. We'll meet at 6pm at Illinois Ave Bar and Grill, and we need your input on what kind of show we will host. If you're a veteran of car show workings or just have an interest in helping or learning what it's all about, please plan on attending.

The Inland Northwest Car Club Council is hosting their famous Show-No-Shine party on February 21st at the Mirabeau Hotel, and I'm embarrassed to say that this will be the first one that I've attended. Don't get me wrong, I've heard great things about these events every year since I became a member, and the testimonies from IEMC members who have participated are always positive. But, for whatever reasons I avoided being involved. But, my wife and I are going this time and I hope that if you haven't attended, you'd join us. I'll give a full report in next month's newsletter.

Finally, please take advantage of the many ways to connect with the club. Check out the Facebook page often and "Like" the articles because your involvement helps boost the page. Check out the website for calendar updates and other resources. Read and share this newsletter. Watch for email alerts and attend meetings and events as often as you can.

It's a pleasure for me to be associated with all of you and to serve as club president.

Blessings...

Kim

### **February Birthdays**

**1-Melanie Pickett**

**2-Jom Fox**

**3-Tom Eickmeyer**

**7-Diane Oliver**

**9-Diane Hunter**

**12-Marla Arellano**

**12-Mike Reents**

**12-Erika Richardson**

**13-Tim Dorwin**

**23-Louise Bates**

**23-Tom Morris**

**24-Tim Ippolito**



### **'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](mailto:kfrank@valley4th.com)

**IEMC Meeting Minutes**  
**January 6, 2026**  
**Francine, Secretary**



Darcy's Restaurant. 10502 E. Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley, WA. 6:30 PM.

Pre-meeting Melissa Birkeland sold tickets to INCCC Show No Shine to be held on February 21, 2026.

President Kim Frank called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was receipted by the membership.

- He introduced board members by name asking them to stand and be recognized.
- 2026 Elected Officers present: President Kim Frank. Vice President Gary Gunning. Treasurer Bruce Butler. Secretary Francine Dober.
- Board of Directors present: Past Pres Tom Seep, Past VP Jeff Larson, Elected members Barry Barton, Diane Harwood, Kelly Ryan and Mike Bishop.

**President's comments:**

- The club is doing well. 121 members to date. We supported numerous charities through proceeds raised from Hot Wheels, Dues, Penny jar, Car auctions, member generosity and the club dinner auction to the tune of \$16,650.
- We had a fun and busy 2025: January Run went to Tomato Street. February to Hu Hot and INCCC Show No Shine (IEMC donation of a Ford tailgate garden bench). March to China Dragon and Auction dinner. April to Longhorn BBQ. May was our Shakedown Cruise to Chewelah and donation presentation to Chief Cochran in the park. Also Selkirk Pizza, Lilac Parade with Veterans and PNWMC in Kennewick. June was CDA auto auction, Cars4Kids/Fuel car show at HD and Sam Picicci Memorial. July was Harvest House, Indians baseball game, INCCC Scholarship Show at Hutton and Valley Real Life Car Show. Record August Hot Wheels 267 entries, Shindigs and Camaro Show. September 911 at the Fairgrounds, Annual Picnic and Pint House. October Ron's, Prosser and HRHOF inducted Andy Kautzman. November Fieldhouse Pizza. December was our annual Club Christmas Party with buffet and gift exchange game.
- How should we maintain momentum and avoid stagnation. Change up traditions where appropriate. Should give thought to the next generation Mustang club member. Add new "fun" activities which involve the driving of cars. Competition with other clubs; grow and shrink? Keep up on Government regulations.
- A survey will go out to the entire membership: fresh ideas welcomed. A chance to say what you want. Please participate in order to shape the club for the future. It's your club after all.
- Hot Wheels 2026: Keep August 15th date reserved. Board decision was to simplify and
- make the show easier. Membership still has the power to change that if someone wants to step up to lead and wants a full show. Last year's co chairs have stepped down. INCCC calendar ads have a deadline.
- Jacquie from INCCC is asking for help with their Dwayne Murphy Memorial Cruise in September. Details to follow.

**December meeting minutes** taken by Kim Frank approved with motion and second.

**Treasurers report** by Bruce Butler. Can pay dues tonight if you wish.

**New members** introduced by Nadine Smith.

- Amy and Lucas Holmquist have a 67 F/B.
- Mike Riggs (and Connie) have a 65 2+2 and a 64 ½ Convertible

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Activities:** Ron West.

- The Christmas party had 56 attending.
- Monthly Run to Tomato Street at 5:30.
- Activity committee will meet next week.
- Club dinner auction is March 14th.

**Health and Welfare:** Vicki West:

- We donated to 16 Charities plus Chief Cochran.
- Thank you notes shared.
- Vi is doing well.
- Toni Bean and Royal Myhre have passed away.

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## Meeting Minutes January 6, 2026 (cont.)

- December Birthdays honored.

**Car auctions:** Carl was absent. Explanation to new members.

**INCCC:** Jeff Larson. Show No Shine coming up in February. A gathering of many car clubs. It's a fun time, all should go.

**Members draw:** Nadine Smith. Bruce won the draw. \$10

### OTHER MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS:

**Facebook:** Melissa Birkeland absent.

**Newsletter:** Kim Frank. Requesting "Stang of the Month" articles.

**Website:** Barry Barton. Check there for current calendar of events and other updates.

**Merchandise:** Position is Open.

**New Ponies:** Steve Stuart has a McLaren. He praised the club for helping him feel welcomed. He won a second place trophy at the Camaro show then donated it back to our club in gratitude. Thank you Steve.

**HA Award:** Tim Ippolito wins with sad yet funny knee scooter catastrophe story.

### OTHER BUSINESS:

**Door prizes:** Ron West.

**50/50:** Marsha Sundberg. \$33 tonight. Winner of the draw was Sherrell Martin.

**Show of hands:** How many liked changing the meeting start time from 7:00 PM to 6:30 PM? Majority favored with 2 negative. You can state your opinions on the upcoming survey.

**Meeting adjourned.**

**Next meeting** is February 03, 2026. 6:30PM.

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## Green Is Growing

According to a recent article in the Hagerty.com Newsletter there is an increasing demand for cars painted other than white, black, or silver. One of the colors that has seen the biggest increase in popularity over the last decade is green, in its various hues and tones.

When one thinks of green Mustangs, the Bullitt 1968 Mustang, made famous by Steve McQueen in the classic movie comes immediately to mind, along with its reiterations in the years following. But there have been other green Mustangs worth noting, including the Lime Gold model pictured here.

Dark Highland Green, Cascade Green, Grabber Green, Gotta Have It Green, and nearly 100 other variants have made their way to the showroom on



Mustangs over the years., not to mention all the custom colors that creative owners have applied to their rides.


I purchased a 2016 Guard Metallic Mustang back in June and I have grown to love the subtlety of the green-gray color. It's not flashy, it doesn't scream for attention. Instead, I think it has a type of elegance to it. Thanks to Ford for giving us so many color options on Mustang models for over 6 decades! - Editor

# CLASSIFIED ADS

List your items for sale here. Send the info to the editor (kfrank@valley4th.com). All items are welcome, not just Mustang-related. Classified Ads are free to IEMC Members

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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

P.O. Box 13591

Spokane Valley, WA 99213-3591

### 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](http://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.

