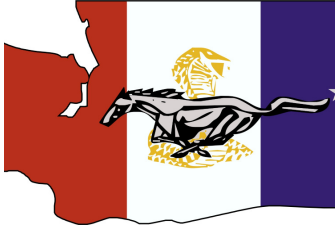


IEMC MUSTANG



Allen Bunge's 1966 Mustang Convertible



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I have been a Mustang fan for as long as the car has existed. My enthusiasm intensified in college, but due to the lack of funds, I could only dream of ownership. My enthusiasm was so contagious that it motivated my uncle to buy a light blue convertible for his wife.

When my maternal grandfather died he left some cash to my mother. She gave my twin sister and me each \$2000. She bought IBM stock and I put my cash toward a car. I paid \$2600 for a new 1966 Mustang (that would later cost \$26,000 to restore).

In the fall of 1966 I drove the car to Valparaiso University. Within a month or two the car was stolen and stripped. Since then it has been to hell and back many times, including a side-swiping incident, getting T-boned, sliding into a curb, bending the front wheel under the car, etc.

The man who restored the Mustang (and he has done a lot of restorations) said it was the worst car he had ever worked on as far as having the most severe problems, including rust issues.



"Everyone is crazy but me!"

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'Stang of the Month (cont.)

The major work still to do is to install the new convertible top. The biggest modifications were to switch the transmission from a 3-speed to a 4-speed, and to increase the tire size from 14 to 15 inches.

- Allen Bunge



ACTIVITY CALENDAR

October

7th (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.

21st (Tues) - Monthly Run to Rons Drive In, 12502 E Sprague Spokane Valley. Meet there at 6:00pm. POCs: Hunter & Diane Brown (509) 998-1105.

November

4th (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.

6th (Thurs) - IEMC Board Meeting at Darcy's in the Valley. We have the back room from 5pm. POC: Tom Seep (509) 953-3983.

18th (Tues) - Monthly Run to Fieldhouse Pizza, 4423 W Wellesley - Spokane. Meet there at 5:30pm. POCs: Ron & Diane West (509) 467-0205.

December

2nd (Tues) - Monthly Club Meeting at Darcy's in the Valley. Meeting starts at 7pm. Annual IEMC Officer & Board Elections night. All are welcome to come early to eat and visit. POC: Tom Seep (509) 953-3983.

14th (Sun) IEMC Annual Christmas Party at Darcy's in the Valley. Details to follow. POCs: Ron & Diane West (509) 467-0205.

Be sure to check the website often for schedule changes

The Prez Sez...

By **Tom Seep**



Summer is officially over and Fall is here. We're already seeing crisp mornings and some tree leaves changing color.

On Sunday, October 5th, the Pacific Northwest Mustang Club Fall Show will be held at Vintners Village in Prosser, WA. (170 miles, approximately a 2 hour, 35 minute drive from Spokane to Prosser). A number of Club members are attending; some are leaving Saturday morning (4th) and returning Monday (6th), while others are going just for the day. If interested in joining our little caravan, contact me at (509) 953-3983 for more information. This is the last big car show of the season and it will be a lot of fun.

Now is a good time to start thinking about which charities you would like the club to donate to. Please let Vicki West know your request(s). Her phone number is listed in the club roster, see the club website.

Special thanks to all those members who participated in the IEMC Annual picnic at Edgecliff Park and the monthly run to The Pint House Burgers & Brews on East Mission Ave—a great turnout for these two events.

December sounds like a long time from now, but it's not too early to think about the election of Officers and Board Members. A number of positions are open, including President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and two Board member positions. I will not be running for another term as President; Gary Gunning will be running for the Vice-President position; Bruce Butler will be running for Treasurer; Kim Frank will run again for the Secretary position.

Two Board positions are available: Diane Harwood's two-year position, and Greg Goeden's two year position (currently held by Carl Sontowski). Both members will run again. Start thinking about who you'd like to nominate or whether you'd like to serve the Club in some role. If interested, talk with one of the Nominating Committee members (Jeff Larson, Kelly Ryan, Barry Barton, Tom Seep). This is a great opportunity to get involved in club leadership.

Carpe, diem, Mustangers!

Tom Seep

October Birthdays

2-Jan Frank	19-Sandra Szambelan
3-Mary Mitchell	21-Ramond Seigel
5-Neil Henricksen	25-Lorri Turner
6-David Shults	27-Gayle Bunge
7-Bonnie Martinese	28-Thad Schoesler
10-Elmer Bensinger	30-Thomas Rickard
10-Diane Harwood	30-Kelly Ryan
12-Katie Ernst	
12-Edward Gould	
12-Marsha Sundberg	
15-Sue Loeffler	
17-David Szambelan	



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Jerry & Diane Oliver - 2007 Mustang, blue

'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

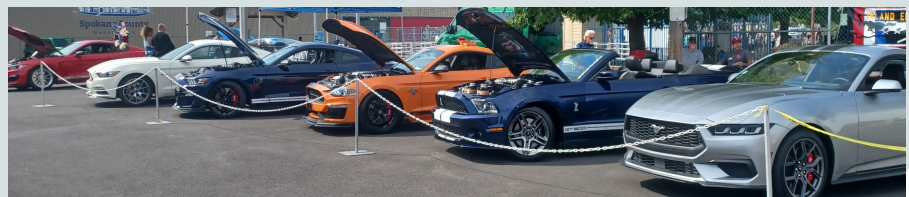
Mustang Events:

IEMC Honors Heros Day at Spokane Interstate Fair

In reverence to 9/11/2001 the Spokane Interstate Fair has, for many years now, committed to honor First Responders and all our heroes in uniform who faithfully serve our communities on September 11th. It has been the honor and privilege of the IEMC to participate in the ceremony with a display of the most iconic American sports car in history centered around the U.S. flag and a wreath of remembrance.

The presentation of the wreath by local firefighters, military personnel and policemen was solemn yet inspiring as it reminds us of the resilience, courage and resolve that is quintessentially American. The nation is strong because it is founded on good principles and it is protected and served by altruistic individuals who put themselves at risk for the sake of others.

Fourteen Mustangs represented IEMC at the front entrance of the fairgrounds with multi-generational models, and as is common, many fair-goers stopped by to tell stories of Mustangs they've owned in the past. A few even took club application forms. We hope to see them soon at club meetings and events.



Mustang Events:

IEMC Picnic Fun Earns Cash For Charities



Edgecliff Park was the meeting place for the IEMC Annual Picnic and Brown Bag Auction on September 13th, a beautiful blue sky day perfect for an outdoor gathering. The food was just as great as the weather, with the club providing fried chicken and the attendees bringing their best homemade dishes and desserts.

In addition to the traditional picnic eats, the club also continued its custom of holding a brown bag auction to benefit the charities it supports. The auction varies from most auctions in that the items on which bids are placed are not known to the bidders. Instead, auctioneer Tom Morris loosely describes the item

within the bag in hopes of inspiring competitive bidding within the group. That's when the hilarity begins.

Tom suggests an opening bid, usually a dollar or two, on items that members have donated and concealed, then the fierce bidding begins. Bidders must increase the bids in increments of at least 25-cents, but typically, the competitive nature and adrenaline kicks in and dollar increases start swirling like bees on fried chicken.

The winners went away with their caches of booze, knick knacks, useful tools, and gag gifts, and the club went away with more money to give to deserving organizations at the end of the year. Well done IEMC.



Throwback Newsletter

The following is a portion of the very first newsletter IEMC ever produced. This first edition copy was sent to Nadine Smith by Mike Roy. Here's the backstory:

My name is Mike Roy and I have attached the first IEMC news letter from November 1983. My wife Michele and I were some of the first members of the club. This newsletter was typed up by Bob Hathaway who he, my wife and I, Tim and Barb McGee put together at our kitchen tables back in the day. No personal computers or printers back then, so my wife's cousin had a printing business down on Sprague and donated all the printing materials and costs. We did it all back then. Hand wrote all the addresses, stapled them, yes licked the postage stamps and mailed them to the members at that time. The club grew quickly and I really do not remember how many members the club had when we got out of it. We were in the club up until the first International Meet in Spokane. Ended up with a 1967 coupe, convertible and fastback, which we sold due to a growing family and home ownership. Lot's of good times, pizza at Shakey's pizza, beer, (did I say beer), and a wonderful group of very talented people that we had such good times with.

Here is the selected portion of the original Newsletter:

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NOVEMBER '83

WE'VE DONE IT!!

WE ARE NOW

THE

INLAND EMPIRE MUSTANG CLUB

YOUR OFFICERS ARE

PRESIDENT: ROBERT HATHAWAY

VICE PRESIDENT: PAT RUSSELL

SECRETARY/TREASURER: TIM BRINSON

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: MICHAEL LANGFORD

MARTY LAWRENCE

CARL LIND

TIM MCGEE

JOHN STANTON

TOM STANTON

HOWARD WRIGHT

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$12.00 (TO COVER THE COST OF THIS NEWS-
LETTER AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH LONG-DISTANCE MEMBERS AND OTHER
CLUBS). PLEASE REMIT DUES TO THE SECRETARY/TREASURER.

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Throwback Newsletter (cont.)

A LAST CALL TO INTERESTED PARTIES; IF YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A CLUB LOGO, BRING IT TO THE NEXT MEETING.

WE HOPE TO HAVE A JACKET SUPPLIER AT THE NEXT MEETING WITH SOME SAMPLES SO WE MIGHT START PUTTING TOGETHER AN ORDER. WE WILL BE DECIDING ON CLUB COLORS AT THAT TIME.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN GIVING A TALK ON ANY ASPECT OF THE MUSTANG FROM RESTORATION TO HISTORICAL DATA IS WELCOME TO DO SO AT ANY OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS. PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE OFFICERS OR BOARD MEMBERS SO THAT WE MAY SCHEDULE YOU.

STARTING NEXT ISSUE WE WILL HAVE AN ADVERTISING SECTION. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLACE AN AD IT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT OR SECRETARY NO LATER THAN THE FIRST SATURDAY IN THE MONTH. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER IN THE WAY OF SHOP TIPS OR OTHER IT MUST ALSO MEET THE SAME DEADLINE.

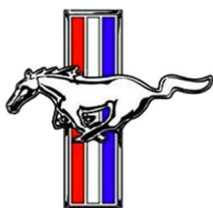
ANNOUNCING A CLUB FUNCTION!!!

THE EVENT: A ROAD RALLY. A MAP DESIGNED TO MAKE YOU LOOSE YOUR WAY WILL BE PROVIDED. THE OBJECT IS TO FINISH AS CLOSE TO THE TIME YOU WOULD TAKE IF YOU RAN THE COURSE WITH NO MISTAKES. EASIER SAID THAN DONE. WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT YOU TAKE A NAVIGATOR. [THIS IS NOT A COMPETITIVE DRIVING EVENT AND NO DIRECTIVES INVOLVED WILL CAUSE YOU TO DO ANYTHING UNLAWFUL. IE: SPEEDING.]

PLACE: THE CLOCK TOWER AT S.C.C. N.2000 GREENE ST. SPOKANE.

TIME: 11/12/83 AT 1.00 PM.

ENTRY FEE: \$2.00 TO COVER THE COST OF AWARDS AND PRINTING.



IEMC Meeting Minutes
September 2, 2025

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

2025 Board Members Present: President Tom Seep, Barry Barton, Dianne Harwood, Kelly Ryan, Kim Frank, Bruce Butler, Gary Gunning, Doug Pickett, Carl Sontowski

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

President's Comments:

- Deferred to Barry Barton for report on IMM in Helena, MT – Barry reported that the event went very well. 250 cars, and a great time. He recommends that all members consider attending the 2026 IMM in Vancouver B.C. 2025 Trophy winning IEMC members include Ed Gross (1st- Shelby Class), Tim Bourne (1st-'15-Current) and Rob Kautzman not only trophied in his class with his '65 Mustang coupe, but he also won the Sponsor's Trophy and the Best-of-Show award!
- IMM made changes to the leadership selection process. The positions will now be elected and will serve four-year terms.
- Jeff Larson gave details about the 9/11 IEMC Car display at the fairgrounds. Those signed up should show up at the south entrance behind the Indian's baseball stadium at 10am. All in each car will receive fair tickets and other goodies. The cars must remain in the display area until 8pm.
- Tom relayed thanks from the Inland Northwest Camaro Club to the IEMC members who helped with their show at Mirabeau Park. IEMC provided 20 volunteers for the show, and displayed 28 cars, two of which were non-Mustangs.
- Tom reported that there was a Hot Wheels debrief meeting recently and plans to enhance and improve are being developed for the 2026 show. He hopes to have 300 cars in attendance.
- Tom mentioned the car show in Walla Walla coming up on the weekend of Sept 5-6. There will be a caravan leaving from the Medical Lake truck stop on Friday around 9:30am. Contact Tom if you're interested in joining the group.
- There is a car show put on by the Pacific Northwest Mustang Club at Vitner's Village in Prosser, WA on October 5th in which Tom hopes to receive a trophy for the 6th consecutive year. There will be a caravan traveling to that show as well. More details to follow. Contact Tom if you're interested.

August Meeting Minutes Approval: MSC as written

Treasurer's report by Bruce Butler

- Book balances are: checking \$17,121; 12-month CD \$9295 (just renewed at 4.25%)
- The Board started the process of determining year-end charitable giving. Will spend \$16,000 total by the end of 2025.

New Members/Visitors: Nadine

- Matt joined up and has a 1967 forest-green 3-owner Mustang.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities: Ron West

- The August run to Outback drew over 30 people. The service and food were very good.

Meeting Minutes September 2, 2025 (cont.)

- The annual club picnic will be on September 13th at Edgecliff Park. Thirty have signed up to bring food items, there will be the famous brown bag auction so bring cash – coins and bills. The club will supply the chicken.
- The run on Tues September 16th will be to The Pint House on E Mission Ave. Meet there at 6pm.
- The run on October 21st will be to Ron's Drive in on Sprague Ave. Meet there at 6pm.

Health and Welfare: Vicki West

- Vicki read a thank-you card from the Camaro club acknowledging the help they received from IEMC for their show at Mirabeau Park.
- Be thinking about charities you'd like the club to donate to at the end of the year. So far this year \$4260 has been given to Police Chief Cochran and \$3500 to the INCCC Scholarship program. \$8600 remains to be donated from the \$16,000 allocated by the Board for 2024.
- Several charities are soliciting funds including T2T, Salvation Army, UGM, Family Promise, Lighthouse For The Blind, and many more.
- Let Vicki know of health issues, surgeries, or other needs.
- The September birthday roster was read, and Happy Birthday was sung.

Car Auctions: Carl Sontowski, Done for the year

Hot Wheels: Tom Seep

- Tom reiterated his optimism for the 2026 show. Wants to see 300 cars registered.

INCCC: Jeff Larson

- The Hot Rod Hall of Fame banquet is October 4th. Please buy tickets online at the wahrhof.com website and support the club's own Andy Kautzman's induction along with Chuck Little. The event will be held at the Mirabeau Hotel and tickets are priced at \$68.30 ea. (includes fees).
- There are several good cars shows still on the calendar for the rest of the season including a show to benefit the Skyway Café at Felts Field after a devastating fire that has shuttered the restaurant since January. The show is scheduled for Sunday September 7th at 9am-2pm.

Membership. Members Draw-Nadine, \$10 was awarded to Kelly Ryan

Newsletter report by Editor Kim Frank.

- 'Stang of the Month needed for December.
- Send in interesting news items

OTHER CLUB BUSINESS:

Website report by Barry Barton.- Check out the calendar and other features

OTHER MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS:

New Ponies or modifications. Kim Frank bought a 2016 Mustang GT Premium in Guard Green

HA Award: Bruce Butler received the prize for his incident last month as the trophy was not available at the August meeting.

Other Business:

- Nadine - The remaining How Wheels Car Show T-shirts are available for pick-up/sale. L and XL are in stock (\$20), other sizes can be ordered (2XL \$25).
- Doug Pickett has agreed to fill the Board position vacated by Greg Goeden upon his move to Florida.

Door Prizes: Ron West gave out 8 items

50/50: Marsha Sundberg: Mary Jo Beck won \$53

President's Draw: None this month

Meeting Adjourned Next meeting: 7 pm October 7, 2025

Submitted by Kim Frank, Secretary

IEMC Well Represented at IMM

Several IEMC Members made the drive to Helena, MT for the International Mustang Meet over the Labor Day weekend. Trophies were awarded to members Ed Gross, Tim Bourne, and Rob Kautzman. Congratulations to them and to all those who participated in the event.

The annual IMM event was conceived by a group of Mustang clubs located in Canada and the western United States 46 years ago, which trade off hosting the show. The show is held in the US every other year and in Canada on the alternate years. The 2026 IMM will be held in Vancouver Canada and could be one of the largest shows ever. IEMC members should book hotels rooms and make plans early as the event facilities will book-up quickly.

Right: Rob Kautzman took home a hat trick of awards including a class award, the sponsor's trophy and the coveted Best of Show!



CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE: \$27,500 Mustang Convertible 2 dr. Rare ALL original motor, transmission, interior, steering wheel, gauges, etc. 3 speed manual transmission with 289 V8 motor. Runs great and sounds Awesome! New windshield, Mustang floor mats and trunk liner, radiator, fuel pump and rear shocks. Have original hub caps and lug nuts. Owner since 1989, always garaged, Clear title. 97,625 miles. Contact Louise Bates (509) 990-2768



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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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

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.

