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*The Official Newsletter
of the Orange County
Mustang Club*



The Lions Museum is an amazing place full of cars, memorabilia and memories for those of us who were fortunate enough to have addended Lions Drag Strip when it was in operation from 1955 to 1972.

The display of the Lions starting line is amazingly accurate and there are many more beautiful displays throughout the building. There is a suprising variety of cars, many of which were restored in-house. The Museum also includes a very large collection of Willys automobiles from the 30's and 40's. They are really beautiful.

There is so much to see and enjoy. The Museum invites you to return again and again.



The Orange County Mustang Club

In 1987, a group of individuals who appreciated the beauty and performance of the Ford Mustang joined together to form the Orange County Mustang Club. Their purpose was to promote the restoration, preservation and enjoyment of the Ford Mustang. With this goal in mind, members get together monthly, promote car shows, hold social activities, cruise together, attend parades and join in other activities to foster the love of the Mustang. Any person who appreciates the Mustang, no matter what model or year is welcome to join our club. If you'd like to meet new friends and have fun, inquire with any member or go to: OCMustangClub.com for information about joining the club.

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Finances	
<u>As of April 2026</u>	
Starting Balance	\$18,666.10
Income	\$2,959.66
Expenses	\$2,582.19
Ending Balance	\$19,043.57
2026 Donations in Bank	\$75.00

Charity Donations in 2025 = \$10,005

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MONTHLY EVENTS

- 1st **Sunday** - Cars & Coffee - Segerstrom Shelby Event Center - Irvine 7:30-9:30am
- 1st **Friday** - Elks Lodge Car Show - 7212 Melrose, Buena Park 4-8pm
- 3rd **Sunday** - Hwy 39 Event Ctr - Car Show & Breakfast - 1563 S State College Blvd, An: 10am-1pm
- Every **Friday** – Garden Grove Main Street - Car Show – Historic Main Street 5-8pm
- Every **Saturday** – Donut Derelicts - Corner of Adams & Magnolia, HB 6-8am

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It's our turn to be the guests



SOUTH

MEETS

NORTH

April 25th



CRUISE

AND

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RUN

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

UP COMING EVENTS

4/15	Chat 'N Chew at Denny's, Santa Ana
4/18	Mustang Anniversary Cruise to Laguna Beach
4/25	North/South Poker Run at MOCC
5/2	Orange Parade
5/3	Annual Club Picnic
5/13	General Meeting at Zito's Pizza, Orange
5/17	MOCC Car Show at Warner Center Park
5/20	Chat 'N Chew at Denny's, Santa Ana
5/23	Strawberry Festival Parade
6/6	Huntington Beach Car Show
6/7	Steve McQueen Car Show at Boy's Republic
6/10	General Meeting at Zito's Pizza, Orange
6/17	Chat 'N Chew at Denny's, Santa Ana
7/8	General Meeting at Zito's Pizza, Orange
7/11	Fab Fords Cars & Coffee at Segerstrom
7/18	Lake Arrowhead Poker Run



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OR Pay online at:OCMustangClub.com
Questions: Sharron Hennings (714) 222-1309

MEMBERSHIPS DUE NOW OR SOON

**Congratulations on another FORD...
2 Ponys & 1 Bronco, Sweet!**



Bob and Jeri Pace

Member Name	Mem #	Renewal Date
Ron Burnette	2104	4/1/2026
Michael Castillo	2164	3/1/2026
Marcel Fuerst	2165	4/1/2026
Mike Hein	2056	12/1/2025
Pete & Janie Mendoza	665	4/1/2026
Daniel Morgan	2062	2/1/2026
Tim & Gale Osborn	242	3/3/2026
Omar & Moriah Palacios	1644	3/1/2026
Thomas & Angie Reddick	1917	2/1/2026
Juan & Yasmin Ruiz	2128	2/1/2026
Seth Sakamoto	2166	4/1/2026
Bobbie & Haylie Sento	2021	4/1/2026



Michael & Jadzia Nowak – New again member, Michael, is glad to be back in California with his wife, 3 year old and baby on the way. They have a 1966 Twin Turbo V6 4.3L, Light Blue Mustang Coupe and a 2000 V8 Mustang Convertible project car.

Ronald & Jill Kuskie – Looking forward to our Fun and Friendly club. They just purchased a 1967 Mustang Convertible. While their new Mustang is getting restored, back to it's original beauty, they'll drive their 1959 Porsche Speedster.



Watch For Updates 

Sonia Chacon Patrick – 1966 Classic Ford Mustang with the Coyote Engine. **If you didn't see how she got her car – check it out.** It's on *The Ride That Got Away*, a reality television series now available on Prime – Season 1; Episode 3.

ALL GENERATION

Mustang Anniversary Cruise to Ruby's Diner Saturday, April 18, 2026

Cruise your awesome Mustang through the twisting canyons, glide onto Pacific Coast Highway and soak up that California sunshine. The blue ocean will be calling your name or is that a Chocolate Shake calling you to Ruby's Diner?



Meet behind Zito's Pizza
2036 N. Tustin Street, Orange
Meet/Depart: 9am – 9:30

Lunch at Ruby's Diner
30622 PCH, Laguna Beach

PLEASE RSVP SO WE HAVE A COUNT FOR RUBY'S – www.OCMustangClub.com

DID YOU KNOW????

19 standard exterior paint colors for the 1965 Mustang, ranging from bold reds and yellows to deep greens and metallic blues. While some colors were carried over from the "1964.5" mid-year introduction, others were newly introduced specifically for the 1965 model year.

Exterior Paint Colors

The following colors were available for the 1965 Ford Mustang, often accompanied by **specific single-letter or number codes found on the vehicle's data plate (VIN)**.

- **Reds:** Rangoon Red (J), Poppy Red (3)
- **Blues:** Caspian Blue Poly (H), Silver Blue Poly (Y), Arcadian Blue (F)
- **Greens:** Ivy Green Poly (R), Dynasty Green Poly (D)
- **Yellows/Golds:** Springtime Yellow (8), Honey Gold Poly (C), Phoenician Yellow (7), Sunlight Yellow (V)
- **Turquoise:** Tropical Turquoise (O), Twilight Turquoise Poly (5)
- **Neutrals:** Wimbledon White (M), Raven Black (A), Silver Smoke Gray Poly (K)
- **Browns/Beiges:** Prairie Bronze Poly (P), Champagne Beige Poly (I)

PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS



I'll be back for the Cruise thru the Canyons, across to PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, south, to Ruby's. Hope to see everyone there. Teri



While our President Teri Sulser is enjoying a wonderful 10-Day vacation in Spain, I am sharing my Vice Presidential thoughts for the month and will lead the April monthly meeting.

Michele and I got to participate along with event organizer, Bob Hammond, and many of you on a tour of the Lions Automobilia Foundation Museum on March 21st. Wow, did it ever exceed my expectation. The Museum was much larger than I thought, had a great variety of beautiful cars, and had incredible displays with amazing murals on every wall. As a huge Clint Eastwood fan, I loved to see the movie cars from "Gran Torino", "The Bridges of Madison County", and others, and I couldn't resist the chance to hop in the Batmobile for a photo op. I was also invited to go on a docent lead tour of "The Vault" which is the behind the scenes area and workshop where many of the museum cars are built and maintained. Fascinating stuff to see for any automotive enthusiast. The weather was perfect, the traffic light, HorsePlay ran like a dream and we got to fellowship with our friends from the Mustang Owners Club of California, a great group of Mustang enthusiasts to our north.



Spring is in the air, dust off your Pony and get out and ride. National Mustang Day is April 17th, drive your pony to work, the gym, Starbucks, or wherever else you go, **JUST DRIVE IT!!**
Paul Gammerino



CHAT and CHEW

The 3rd Wednesday of each month

Chat and Chew Mar. 18, 2026

Barb DeLong

'Twas top-o-the-mornin' to ya and Erin go bragh at our March St. Patrick's Day breakfast. A couple of pinches were given to those without a speck o' green on themselves, don't you know. Jef and Jeannie shared their latest amazing fruity art piece. It was lovely on the patio where the coffee and conversation flowed freely.

Join us next time at 9 a.m., Wednesday April 15th, Denny's, 2314 E. 17th St., Santa Ana (17th and the 55).



***** CHECK YOUR CALENDER *****

CORRECT DATE IS MAY 3RD. SUNDAY



Come join us for a fun day with friends, family, fun games and food!

**Yorba Regional Park
7600 E La Palma Ave,
Anaheim, CA 92807**

Fun starts at 10:30am.

Yorba Regional Park does have a \$5 per vehicle parking fee.

We're looking forward to seeing you there.

Only \$5 for members & \$10 each for Non-Members

The Orange County Mustang Club is thrilled to announce that we will have an entry in the 2026 Orange May Parade:

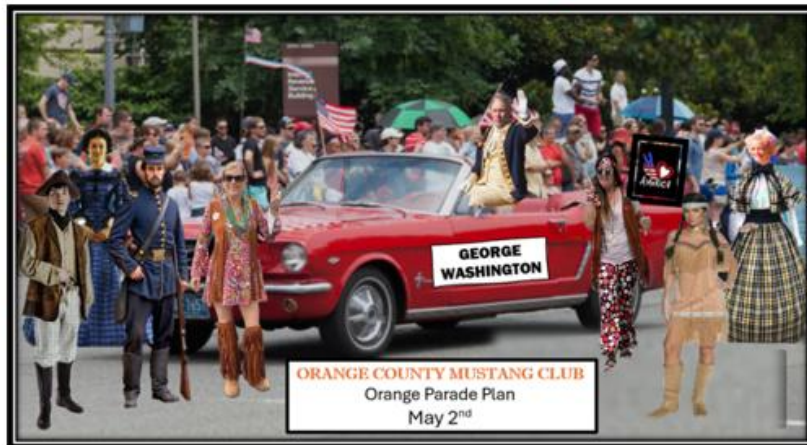
**“Orange You Glad It’s America’s Birthday!
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Please join us in making the semiquincentennial celebration a 2026 milestone to remember!

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**Saturday, May 2, 2026, starting at 10:00 AM PDT.
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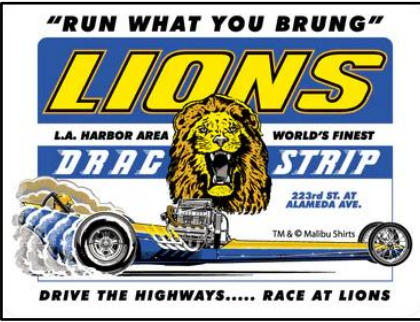
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Spotlight on Members Rides

TOM SULSER 2017 5.0 MUSTANG GT

In 2019 Teri and I traveled to Great Lakes, Illinois, to see our grandson graduate from Navy boot camp. While there, we



looked at a 2017 Mustang GT which had a manual 6 speed transmission. We bought it and drove it back to California on Route 66 which was a great trip. It's part of our stable of Mustangs which includes a 2014 California Special and Teri's recently

purchased 1965 Mustang convertible.

If you would like your car to be spotlighted in a future newsletter send a short write up with a couple of pictures to Tom Sulser at ts4550bg@gmail.com



Our monthly newsletter game! Find the hidden character ♥
Then tear off the corner of this page, write your name and what page you found the ♥ on. Place your entry in the bag by the raffle table before the meeting starts. One winner will be drawn. If you have the correct page number...

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today.
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was too high .
So I came home &
moved it to a lower
shelf.**

CAKE?



NOPE, WE HAVEN'T SEEN ANY CAKE

Thinking back to when "a
new hip joint" meant
someplace I wanted to go
on Friday night.



REMEMBER THE DAYS OF RIDING IN THE BACK
OF YOUR PARENTS STATION WAGON?



7-30
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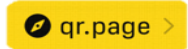
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- * Meet new Friends that share the love of great cars
- * Get FREE and DISCOUNTED entrance fees to events and picnics.
- * FREE access to our Platform/Website with information and shared forums.
- * EXCLUSIVE notification when companies need a specific car for their advertisements, product install, parades...
- * Enjoy the best cake – FREE at our General Meetings

Orange County Mustang Club meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month @ 7pm
at Zito's Pizza, 2036 N.Tustin St., Orange

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Annual Membership Dues: \$35.00 (1 year) - \$60 (2 years). Membership includes a Primary and an Associate Member.

Name: _____ Spouse/Child: _____
 Email: _____ Spouse Email: _____
 Mailing Address: _____ zip _____
 Phone #:() _____ Phone #:() _____
 Tell us about your CAR(S): _____ VET/Branch: _____
 Car Year/Engine/Model Body/Color: _____
 Car Year/Engine/Model Body/Color: _____

From whom or where did you hear about OCMC? _____
All members are required to observe The Orange County Mustang Club bylaws and are required to comply with the Financial Responsibility Laws as prescribed by The State of California. The OCMC reserves the right to refuse membership to any person.

Signature: _____

Register online: www.OCMustangClub.COM

OR
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