



CSRA MUSTANG CLUB NEWSLETTER

JANUARY, 2011

Next Meeting: January 6, 2011

Evans Diner 4429 Washington Road Evans, GA 30809

Eat @ 6:30

Meeting @ 7:00



Club Officers

President: Don Blackstock

Vice-President: Amanda Yandell

Treasurer: Lynda Blackstock

Secretary/Editor: Mike Anchor

Welcome to the latest installment of the CSRA Mustang Club Newsletter. I have been tasked with compiling, editing, and distributing the newsletter for the next year (how did that happen??). As you may have noticed, the format of the newsletter has changed a bit. I would like to have a little fun with the newsletter in the upcoming year; freshen up the appearance, add some trivia, spotlight members, name the publication, etc. As I ATTEMPT to do this, I ask for your patience. I am in the process of learning Mac software. It's been an experience! I have found that it's challenging to be a Mac in a PC world! My goal is to update the look of the newsletter and have fun while doing it. Any input that the members have would be appreciated (all I ask is that you be nice, my skin isn't as thick as it used to be!). In the upcoming months, I will be sending out some emails asking for information that I can use to spotlight members. As I have learned through the years, we have some INTERESTING members in the club and I think it would be fun to learn about each other. Please email any comments to mike.anchor@yahoo.com.

THANKS!

Mike



From the President

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Well I trust we all had a great Christmas and received everything we asked for.

I would like to welcome our new members. I know we had several join our club in December, some of whom were able to attend our Christmas party.

Several club members did have cars under the Christmas tree. You will have to wait and see who at our meeting.

Welcome back to Amanda Yandell and Lynda Blackstock who will once again be serving as Vice-President and Treasurer of our club, respectively. Also, welcome Mike Anchor who will be our new Secretary/Editor.

I'm looking forward to an exciting new year for our club. At our meeting, we will be talking about our upcoming April show.

Rick Umberger will continue as a National Director for 2011. Previously, Rick and Bo Lawless also served as National Directors; however, they will not continue in that capacity since they will be moving to Germany in the Summer of 2011. A big THANK YOU to Rick and Bo for the years of service they have given to our club and also on the national level with MCA, as well as to Steve Prewitt and Rick Umberger who will continue to serve at the national level.

As a side note, I look forward to our trip to Phoenix at which time we will have the pleasure of attending the Barrett-Jackson auction.

THANK YOU to Billy Rogers and Eric Brisendine for all your time and effort spent last year as officers. (Billy get well soon; we need your help parking cars in April!)

THANK YOU to everyone for your thoughts, prayers, visits and phone calls during my recent hospital stay. I'm sure Billy appreciates everything as well!

Looking forward to serving you and our club in 2011 and hope to see everyone at the Diner!

Don Blackstock
President/MCA Regional Director

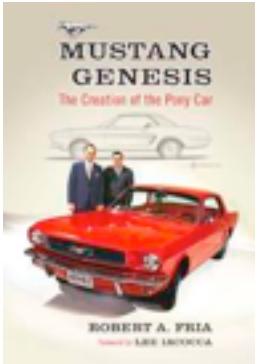


NEW AND NOTEWORTHY

Mustang Genesis: The Creation of the Pony Car

Robert A. Fria

Foreword by Lee Iacocca



Robert Fria is a Mustang historian and he owns the first VIN numbered pre-production Mustang hardtop, 5F07U100002. His book, *Mustang Genesis: The Creation of the Pony Car*, is on sale now.

The book is officially licensed by the Ford Motor Company and retails for \$45. I have just started reading it and find it very interesting. It is available at any book seller (Books-a-Million, Borders, Amazon) or through the publisher. It is published by McFarland & Company Inc.

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- The 2011 Mustang has been named as a 2011 All-Star by Automobile Magazine. The following excerpt from the article states, "The Mustang's nimble chassis, lighter weight, and close-ratio transmission give it a clear advantage over the heavier, less fluid Camaro on a curvy road. The Ford's cabin is much nicer, too, compared with the unattractive plastics that plague the Camaro". (Automobile, February 2011)
 - Alan Mulally, Ford CEO, tops the Motor Trend's Power list for 2010. They cite the fact that Mulally has moved Ford into a place of profitability as well as quality in both design and engineering. In the magazine's words, "every Ford competitor needs a leader like Alan Mulally." (Motor Trend, December 2010)



Vice President

Wow, another year has come and gone and we have had such a great year showing our Mustangs and supporting our communities. I would like to start out by saying thank you for allowing me to serve as your Vice President for another year. I know that Don has some great ideas and will lead us into another wonderful year as our President. I wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and a prosperous New Year. As we begin 2011 if you have ideas, suggestions, or recommendations, please pass them to Don Blackstock or me and we will put them before the members at the next meeting. The CSRA Mustang Club is only as good as the members that participate so please support your elected officials and fellow members. If you ever hear of an upcoming show then please forward the information to me and I will put it on the club calendar. Some shows are by word of mouth or through flyers that you may receive. We all want to support our community and provide a wonderful club for our members.

As the second year begins for my husband, Jeff, stationed in Pakistan, I fondly look forward to the wonderful friendships that I have been rewarded with in the CSRA Mustang Club and I am looking forward to making friends with our new members through the coming year. The support I have received from all of you during Jeff's deployment has been nothing short of amazing. Jeff sends his warm wishes from Pakistan and he cannot wait to get back here and drive my Mustang. Maybe it is time for him to get one of his own.

Again, I look forward to serving as your Vice President for the next year and look forward to seeing all the new Christmas presents everyone gets for his or her Mustang.

Amanda Yandell



Notes from the Treasurer:

It's that time of year again...this is a reminder that January is membership renewal time. Come to the January meeting prepared to renew your membership. Some members have paid their dues for 2011 in advance. If you are uncertain as to your membership status, send me an e-mail at: lblackstock.csranc@bellsouth.net or give me a call at 706-726-1654 and I will be happy to give you that information. Membership dues are \$20.00 per year for non-MCA members or \$10.00 per year discounted rate for current MCA members. If you aren't currently an MCA member, we encourage you to consider joining so you can keep up with happenings at the national level and receive your monthly issue of Mustang Times magazine which is free as a part of your membership. If you aren't able to make it to the meeting, you may send your club membership renewal to: CSRA Mustang Club, PO Box 211726, Augusta, GA 30917.

I want to thank everyone who came out and participated in our club Christmas Party at Washington Hall. It was such a nice evening. We had a large crowd, good food, games and fellowship and appreciate the great job the event caterer, Suzanne, and her staff did to make our evening possible.

See you at the diner on January 6, 2011!!

Lynda Blackstock



UPCOMING EVENTS

The 15th Annual Cherry Blossom Festival Mustang & Classic Ford Show will be held in Macon, GA, Saturday March 26th. We also have a National Show in Mesquite TX, April 8-10 (More info on this show, as well as all regional events, can be found in the latest issue of Mustang Times which is part of your MCA membership).

On Sunday, April 17th, the Central South Carolina Mustang Club of Lexington will have a show at Ben Satcher Ford. We will have groups going to Macon and Lexington and in the upcoming months we will talk more about these events.

On January 21st, I will accompany Steve Prewitt to the MCA Meeting in Phoenix, AZ, at which time he will be installed as the President of the National Board of Directors for MCA. Along with Steve, the CSRA Mustang Club has been represented well at the national level.

~ Don Blackstock

