

CELEBRATING THE FORD MUSTANG

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Introduction

Welcome to our monthly newsletter. This newsletter will chronicle the activities of the *Hoosier Mustang Club* that has its members centered in and around Columbus, Indiana. Articles for this newsletter will showcase the Ford Mustang both within and outside of our club. We hope you enjoy reading the *Hoosier Pony Times*.

HMC “Feature Car”

This month’s “Feature Car” belongs to Rick & Linda Mackey. It is a beautiful 1969 Mach 1 Mustang.

See the full article of this feature car on pages 3 & 4 of this edition of the

Hoosier Pony Times.



Mustang Generations



The fifth generation Ford Mustang, produced from 2005 through 2014, ushered in a new era by embracing the retro styling that made the original 1960s Mustang famous. Built on Ford's all-new S197 platform, the redesigned Mustang featured a longer wheelbase, a stiffer chassis, improved handling, and a significantly more refined interior. Its design drew inspiration from the 1967–1969 Mustangs with a bold grille, fastback roofline, and signature tri-bar taillights, while incorporating modern safety features and technology. The dramatic redesign was an immediate success, attracting both longtime Mustang enthusiasts and a new generation of buyers.

Performance improved steadily throughout the generation. The 2005 Mustang GT debuted with a 4.6-liter V8 producing 300 horsepower, while the base model featured a 4.0-liter V6. In 2011, Ford introduced an all-new lineup of engines, including a 3.7-liter V6 with 305 horsepower and the legendary 5.0-liter "Coyote" V8 in the GT, producing 412 horsepower initially and increasing to 420 horsepower by 2013. High-performance models such as the Shelby GT500, Boss 302, Bullitt, California Special, and Laguna Seca editions showcased Ford's engineering capabilities and reinforced the Mustang's reputation as a world-class performance car.

The fifth generation concluded with some of the most powerful factory Mustangs ever built. The 2013–2014 Shelby GT500 featured a supercharged 5.8-liter V8 producing an astonishing 662 horsepower, making it the most powerful production Mustang of its time and capable of exceeding 200 mph. Throughout its ten-year production run, the fifth-generation Mustang combined classic styling with modern engineering, helping restore the Mustang's image as an American performance icon. Its blend of timeless design, impressive performance, and broad range of special editions has made the S197 Mustang one of the most collectible and beloved generations among enthusiasts today.

Information about the 6th generation of the Mustang will be in our next Edition.

"Blast from the past pics"

Archived early photos of
Hoosier Mustang Club
Activities

**Upcoming Events**

**Aug. 1 - Indy Mustang Club
Car Show 9am-3pm**

**Aug. 2 - Tri-State Mustang
Club Show 9am-3pm**

**Aug. 7 - 1st Friday, Hope
Cruise-In**

**Aug. 8 - HMC Cars &
Coffee, & Kids 9-11am**

**Aug. 12 - HMC Monthly
Meeting 6:30-7:30pm**

**Aug. 22 - HMC Ice Social
2-4pm**

Mustang in the Movies

The Ford Mustang has become one of the most recognizable cars in movie history. Since its debut in 1964, it has appeared in hundreds of films, often playing a starring role rather than simply serving as transportation. Below are some of the most famous movie Mustangs.

1. Bullitt (1968)

Car: 1968 Ford Mustang GT Fastback (Highland Green)

Arguably the most famous Mustang ever filmed, Steve McQueen drove a dark green 390-powered GT Fastback through the streets of San Francisco in what many consider the greatest movie car chase ever filmed. The chase inspired generations of filmmakers and enthusiasts, and Ford later produced Bullitt special editions in 2001, 2008-2009, and 2019-2020.



Fun Fact: One of the original hero cars sold at auction in 2020 for \$3.74 million, making it one of the most valuable Mustangs ever sold.

2. Diamonds Are Forever -
James Bond movie (1971)

Car: 1971 Ford Mustang Mach 1

Sean Connery's James Bond steals a red Mach 1 during an unforgettable Las Vegas chase. The movie famously contains a continuity error where the Mustang enters an alley on two wheels leaning on the right side and exits leaning on the left.



The Specs:

1969 - Mach 1 - The engine block is original. The 351 Windsor engine has been rebuilt and bored out to a 410. It has a complete Eagle rotation assembly, Elderbrock aluminum heads, and in-take manifold. It has a Sniper 2 fuel injection system. Headers with flow-through mufflers. The engine makes about 600HP.

Transmission is a C6. It has been built 10 times prior to this current transmission. The tranny has now been modified for heavy duty usage. It has a 2800 stall ATI converter and a 3.25:1 ratio Posi-track rear end.

Suspension - It has dual-purpose springs, and a drag pack with track bars. The pony has stock brakes with the standard front disc brakes.

Tires - BF Goodrich white letter, size is 235 front, 255 rear

Wheels - Magnum 500

Interior - original Mach 1 interior, console has been remade.

Enjoy the story of this special car, owned by Rick and Linda.

Feature HMC car

Rick & Linda Mackey

1969 Mach 1 Mustang



The History:



Car was built in December 1968 as a 1969 model. It had a 300-gear single track in it as factory-delivered.

Rick's brother-in-law's, best friend John Worthington

bought the car in Los Angeles at a Ford auction as a new car in January 1969. He kept it for 6 years as a company car. It became a college car for John Worthington's son and daughter.

John Pausz, Rick's brother-in-law, bought the car in 1975. He drove it as a 2nd car. Rick and Linda on occasion would drive the car to classic car shows in Arizona. Rick then bought it in Phoenix, Arizona in the fall of 2010. Rick and Linda then drove it back to Indiana having tire issues on the way home.



Feature HMC car*Rick & Linda Mackey**1969 Mach 1 Mustang***The Story with this car:**

Rick had a plan to *restore the car* and do the necessary work on it. He had to put new panels on because of minor accident damage that he discovered. He then removed the engine. He took the engine to Zimmerman Speed Shop in Greensburg in 2012. He then had the body repainted in Batesville.

When this was all done, Rick re-assembled the car. He decided to then have a Marti report done. He found out that the car was a 1 of 5 car. So this **very special Mach 1** was discovered.



Rick then joined the HMC and he has enjoyed the car for several years doing minor tweaks to the car. As is typical with an older car, there were always issues to look at and repair. Some engine work has been done recently.

Rick's sister always called the car "**The Junker**", and the name has stuck through the years... even though the car is *anything but a junker*.

**Enjoying this car:**

The car is **special** to Rick because he knows the history of everyone who has driven the car. He knows that the car is *uniquely valuable*. The car now is faster than it has ever been. The car gathers a lot of attention in the public. Linda loves riding in the passenger seat with Rick. Rick **enjoys working on the car, taking it out for drives** and different events and **loves talking to people** about the history and the design of this very special 1969 Mach 1 Mustang.



Club Happenings*July, 2026*

July 8th Monthly Meeting - 22 Members attended!
New Member joined: Jon Swaim

Honoring Lonnie - July 11th

We had over 20 cars from inside and outside the club show respect for Lonnie with his funeral procession.

**Salvation Army Car Show - July 25th - 18 Members - new member, Jon Swaim**

3 Award winners -
Terry Thomas,
Frank Bayles,
Valarie Sell



Club
Participation
Award