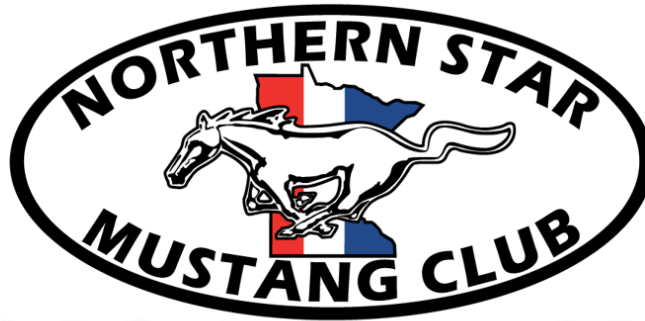




NSMC Pony Tales

THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE NORTHERN STAR MUSTANG CLUB
Minnesota's Chapter of the Mustang Club Of America

March, 2024



By Mike Ackerman
President

Greetings Northern Star Mustang Club Members.

Well, its March and as I am typing this it's close to 60 degrees! Hope some of you got the cars out for a little drive. Last weekend or I guess it was the Monday because of rain the NASCAR Daytona 500 was running it was toO bad but a Dark Horse Mustang did not win ☹. It is the start of the NASCAR season. As we start to move closer to the driving season, we hope to have some driving events coming up. We have had some very nice off-season events. The last one at the train station, St Paul model train night train was great! Thanks Mike and Cindy Neimann for doing all and Mike tells me there's more to come! The guys and girls are working hard on the Apple car show 60th anniversary, so watch your in box for the details on this.

The next thing I would like to call your attention to is the Northern Star Mustang Club website. Erica has been working on it very hard and has added some new tabs in the forum. please look. If you have any problems navigating or issues, please email us and we can certainly help. We do need people to help out at the car shows this year so please when you see a chance to help, please do so. It makes it fun and you get to meet some wonderful people. We do have an update on the cars that Jerry had so graciously donated to the club we will be talking about this at the next meeting so hopefully you can join us there. Has anyone ever given it a thought about getting younger kids involved in the car hobby? As I talk with some of the people in the car club/ car show scene there's a real need for this. So, the next time you chat with some younger people or grandsons, granddaughters, nephews, nieces, neighbors, and

friends, see if you can get them involved, we need them! Or this hobby will be no longer around. I want to send a challenge out to all of you. Bring a kid to a car show!! Let's see if we can keep this hobby going. Things are starting to pick up in the club as we get closer to the summer season so, please come to a meeting and join some of the fun and get to know some great people.

That's it for now keep it between the lines! And It's your club!!

Food for thought

A real friend is one who walks in when the rest of the world walks out.

-Walter Winchell



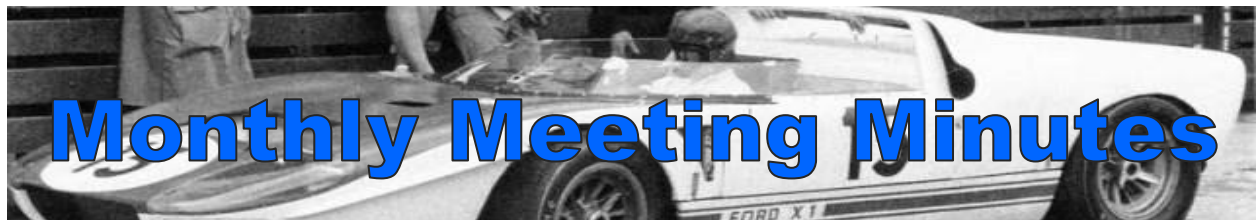
By Chuck Anderson

Membership Lead

Total Active Members: 202

New members:

Bill Kallberg Savage Mn
Jim Kulseth Rosemount MN
Ken Edmonston Apple Valley MN
Renee Edmonston Apple Valley MN
Chuck Cox Bloomington Mn
William Hoyt CANNON FALLS MN
Rich Hanzlik HUDSON WI
Craig Kleschult Otsego MN



By Dennis Mevissen

Secretary

You can check out of the minutes from the club's previous Monthly Meeting by visiting the Club website by clicking [HERE](#).



By Mike and Carole Ackerman
Show Directors

60 Years of Mustang!! We are working hard on ideas for the June 2nd show. We have a short list of members who are interested in entering their car in the display already. We are looking for mostly stock Mustangs to be in the display. One car for each year. We have not opened up registration yet but then the push will be on to find a car for each year. We have ordered the flyers for both shows and have received the June show ones as of this writing. We will be looking for any door prizes you may have for both shows. Please bring them to a meeting or contact me and we can make arrangements. 3stang@comcast.net We will be looking for help putting on the show so please volunteer where you can. We can't do the show without YOU! We are planning with meeting with Apple again and should have an update for the monthly club meeting. Watch for emails for pre-registration for your car which will probably be some time in March. 60th birthday for the Mustang, 40th year of doing the All Ford Show, we have a lot to celebrate!

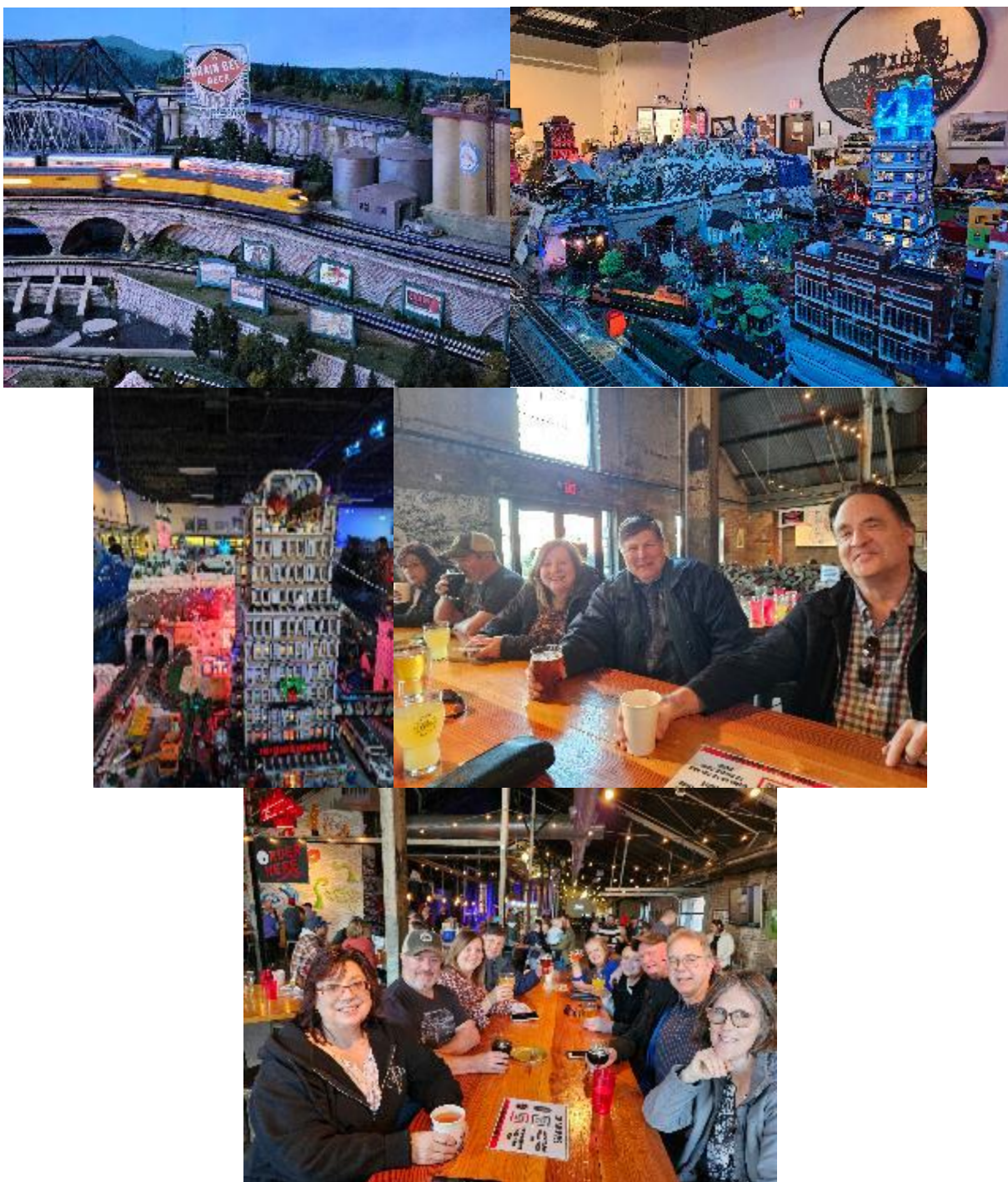


By Vacancy
Cruise Director

We have an opening for leadership of this committee. Please let Mike Ackerman know if you are interested

Night Train Event
By Mike and Cindy Niemann

For our 3rd off-season event we went to St Paul to the model train museum to experience an exhibit called Night Trains. Whether you loved them as a child, as an adult, or both, it is a unique place to go. 12 of us spent a Saturday afternoon exploring. We had a little time before dinner so stopped off at Lake Monster Brewing (what a funny name) just down the street. We continued on to Pad Thai restaurant. I think 1 or 2 people from the group had Thai food for the first time and enjoyed it. We continued for a nightcap, coffee and dessert at French Meadow right across the street. It turned out to be a sort of a progressive evening of fun, adventure and laughter.





***By Vacancy
Charity Director***

We have an opening for leadership of this committee. Please let Mike Ackerman know if you are interested in taking over.



***By Pete Schmidt – MCA Regional Director
NSMC is the Twin Cities' MCA Chapter club.***

Below is the Information for the 2024 and 2025 MCA national shows; Three of the four 2024 shows are open for registration on the events page affiliated with the Mustang Club of America, <https://mcashows.com/>.

Registration is available for the 60th Anniversary event, the Ozarks show, and the Iowa show at this time.

Mustang 60 Years in Birmingham, AL	April 5-7, 2024
HPDE event at Barber Motorsports Park in Leeds, AL	April 5-7, 2024
HPDE event at Ozarks International Raceway in Gravois Mills, MO	May 24-26, 2024
MCA National Show in Des Moines, IA	Aug 9-11, 2024
Registration is open https://www.mustangsatthecrossroads.org/	

MCA Grand National in Savannah, GA	Oct 11-13, 2024
MCA National Show in Cincinnati, OH	June 27-29, 2025
MCA Grand National in Fredericksburg, VA	Aug 29-31, 2025

The Mustang 60th Anniversary Event:

Registration can be found at: <https://mcashows.com/60th-anniversary>

The MCA knows a great venue when they see one and that's why we have chosen to return to Barber Motorsports Park for our 60th Celebration. Barber has a little something for everyone and is bigger and better than it was at our last event, and we all know what a great time that was!

I know you all have been anxiously waiting for registration to open and that time is finally here. If you are looking to have your car judged at this event, you will need to apply for the waiting list as judged

registration is full. This MCA judged show will be limited to 250 cars and you **must** be an MCA member to have your car judged.

Our High Performance Driving Event (HPDE) will be running for 3 days in conjunction with the 250 judged cars and thousands of display cars. Registration can be accessed mcashows.com.

Along with the thousands of display cars – capped at 2,500 - that will be onsite, we will also have a huge vendor area full of vendors, autocross, a poker run and a Saturday night banquet at the Barber Motorsport Park Museum.

This promises to be a great weekend that you will not want to miss that has a little something for everyone to enjoy! So, mark your calendars, get registered, and plan your trip to come out and see us at Barber Motorsports Park April 5 – 7, 2024!

If you have any questions about MCA shows and HPDE's please send an email to Pete at northernstarmustangclub@gmail.com.



Mustang Club of America's 60th Anniversary Show



**MCA NATIONAL SHOW AND TRACK
EVENT - OZARK INTERNATIONAL
RACEWAY**



Mustangs in Historic Savannah National Show

 The poster for the 2024 MCA National Mustang Show features a night-time city skyline with a bridge in the foreground. At the top, there are three logos: a circular logo for the Mustang Club of Central Iowa, a central "MUSTANGS CROSSROADS" logo with a Ford emblem, and a circular logo for the Mustang Club of America. The main title "2024 MCA National Mustang Show" is in large, bold, red letters. Below it, the dates "August 9-11, 2024" and the location "Holiday Inn Airport, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines Iowa 50321" are listed. A line of text says "For details including a list of daily show activities visit mustangsatthecrossroads.org". Contact information for Jimmy Bacon is provided: (515)491-3340 and clubinfo@mustangclubofcentraliowa.org. It also states "Show proceeds benefits". At the bottom, there are logos for Blank Children's Hospital, United Way, Easterseals Iowa, Ford, Shelby American Inc., Mecum Auctions, and Hagerty.



By Mike Ackerman

Happy March everyone!

Weather has been good, and the progress is going well on the 1941 Ford. We have color! On the shell that is. As you can see in the two pictures before clear and after. But not before there was a bit of trouble on the drinker's side (passengers) side window there was a little trouble, so we needed to fix it. This is what you would call fisheyes! Looks like carp eyes to me LOL. It is caused by contamination from something. It can be dirty air, oil in air lines or something from the spray gun. This one was water. Yes water! I sprayed water on the floor before spraying to keep the dust and dirt down. Then when I was wiping the car down, I missed this spot that the water had hit. BTW this was the only spot that water had gotten on the car and still I missed it!!! This was in the sealer coat. So, had to let it dry and sand off and re spray. It just added more time to the job. Then on with the base color and then clear coat about 3 coats on this. As you can see in the pictures the base color is a flat color. And then when the clear is applied it shines it up and makes it a little darker. Now I am going to paint all the parts of the car. The car will be going for a ride up north for a little trip to get a headliner installed. It's better to get this done when none of the windows or glass are in the car. And hopefully when the car is done with the headliner all the components will be done. Doors. Hood. Trunk lid. Fenders. Then starts the reassembly. So stay tuned for all the fun.

I hope you all are enjoying this little article of Out In The Garage. Till next time get the cars out and drive em!!!!





Visit the club website [HERE](#) to see all of the cool activities that we have planned for the year! Watch your emails for the latest scoop and any changes that may happen through the year.



Your NSMC Elected Officers from left to right are Erick Rosquist (Co-Treasurer), Dennis Mevissen (Secretary), Mike Ackerman (President), Scott Sokol (Vice-President), and Dan Bye (Co-Treasurer).



Our expanded web-based forum is up and running! Only a few hiccups that we discovered along the way. What's missing from the discussion? Many of you! We currently have about 70 members who have signed up and are looking for more people to interact with and share their passions and experiences with fellow club members. This is a great place to ask questions, buy/sell/trade those missing or excess items in your garage or storage.

Please go to the club website and request an account with your email address used for club communications. If you don't want to check the site for updates, you can register to get notified of new postings by checking the BELL icon on a given category or post. Be sure to update your profile with a name and picture to help others know who they are interacting with. If you have questions about the forum, please email the club account, and we will reply. Web forums and clubs like this only work if we get participation, so check it out!

If you have something that fits this column, email us a description and pictures by clicking [HERE!](#)

Check out our club wearables, below.

The NSMC has t-shirts (\$20) available in three colors and baseball hats (\$20) in three colors as show here. They can be purchased at many of our events and shows.

If you have an existing garment or fabric item, you can get the club logo embroidered by Joyce Swanson. She does great work and is very reasonable. Joyce does this as a hobby, she is able to make something large on an 8x12 inch hoop, for something on the back of a jacket or shirt. You would need to bring her your item, or mail to her, with a picture of what you need, and she will be happy to help you out. She also does vinyl iron on items most anything, especially words or cut out shapes, this can be ironed on a flat t-shirt or sweatshirt or apron something with a smoother flat surface, nothing quilted. Her number is 763-453-1029. Joyce Swanson.

The club has set up a new source for apparel using the club logo. Check it out [HERE](#).

Members can also order custom screen-printed items from REDBUBBLE. Enter the club's name in their search function and browse through the 60+ items that are available. Check them out by clicking [HERE](#).







Thanks again to Scott Sokol for sharing some of his interesting finds in the Ford world. Are you wondering what vehicle this is? Read about it in this article from Fordmuscle.com. Click [HERE](#) for a link to the article.



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