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# Exhaust Notes



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## To Modify Or Not Modify, That Is The Question

By Roy Duke

For the basic of any automobile manufactured, it comes "stock" from the factory. Even GT350s and GT500s are stock when they're delivered to be modified by Shelby America and the same goes for Roush, Saleen or others. Ford delivers a stock Mustang GT and then it's taken through the paces with these high end modifiers/upgraders to add their own touches of hp upgrades, body upgrades and interior upgrades. And these Mustangs from Shelby America, Roush and Saleen are truly pieces of art and ready to go racing. Just ask some of our members who own any of the three.

Modifications aren't for everyone and neither is the heavy price tag associated with a Shelby, Roush or Saleen. For many, leaving it stock, as it comes from Ford is all it needs to be. And I can respect that. Not everyone likes everything and to each his own. So to the purest I say, good for you for showing the rest of us what fantastic "stock" Mustangs are out there. But please, don't talk bad about those of us who like making things better. I know, it sounds like I just slammed the purest, but I didn't. I'm a purest when it comes to old trucks like my 1966 F100.

For those who are into modifications, you know what I'm about to say... "Everything has room for improvement and the Ford Mustang is a great platform for adding as many modifications you can think of". There's hundreds of modifications available out there. No matter if it's just simple slip on

mufflers to open up the sound, to bigger wheels, to Super Chargers and more. Modifications are out there just waiting for their presentation day when someone will purchase and add to their Mustang. And it doesn't matter if it's a v6 or a Coyote v8, there's plenty to go around. Body/exterior mods, engine mods, suspension mods, exhaust mods, interior mods, etc., there's mods for just about anyone. And, if you're like me, not all are added at one time. I've added something almost every year. Sometimes they're small and some years bigger items. I took it slow for a couple reasons. First, cost. Cost can get out of hand if you're not careful. And second, it gave me time to study what I thought might look good or what might make it run like I wanted it to.



Let's take the common person, like myself, who buys a new Mustang GT. In my case, it's a 2006 Mustang GT with the 4.6 v8, that produced 300 hp as it came from Ford. Yeah, I know, it's a 4.6 and the 5.0s are

# To Modify Or Not Modify (continued)

By Roy Duke

much higher in raw hp. The 4.6 is a three valve motor, whereas the 5.0 is a four valve, with higher "stock" hp than the 4.6 stock. Ok, so enough of comparisons between the two. But like anything else, the Mustang just keeps getting better and better. So, for me and my '06, the third day I had it I changed the entire exhaust system from the headers back. The first of many modifications to come throughout the years of ownership. The Saleen Super Charger came the second year of ownership, then lowered 1.5", smaller pulley on the Super Charger, custom tune when I installed Ford Hotrod Cams and Ford Racing Headers along with a 2,800 Stall Converter in the automatic transmission. And with the increased 575 hp I was losing too much traction with the limited width for the back tires so I had to go to staggered wheels with a wider tire on the rear. And of course, suspension upgrades. Even then, at 40 mph and hard accelerating I still lose traction with the Nitto tires I'm running. But, since I don't race it, that just makes it more fun to drive.

No matter if you decide to go fully stock, lightly modified or heavily modified, just have fun with your Mustang. It doesn't matter what someone does, make it your own personality. Let it make a statement about you. Do what you like and ignore comments from the peanut gallery. They're just jealous anyway.



## Fast Cars and Freedom

By Dennis Osting

The Katy YMCA hosted the second annual Fast Cars and Freedom Car Show on Saturday August 31st from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. It was an open event showcasing cars, trucks and motorcycles. Jennie Everage (2019 Bullitt), Mike Keogh (2017 GT), Bryan Beutz (2012 Boss 302) and Dennis Osting (2014 GT) attended despite the extremely hot weather. We had a lot of interest in the cars and 6 folks asked for sign-up information and were given our post cards. In all, I estimated this car show brought in 150 vehicles.

And, it didn't hurt that Chick Fil A Co-sponsored the event and provided a delicious bag lunch of chicken sandwich, chips, cookie, and drink as part of your \$25.00 registration fee. They also gave away a license plate and small stuffed cow. Maybe next year, we can get a few more members to attend. Great show! Next time though, we'll bring a tent!



# All American Sunday at Second Baptist

By Jaque Jones

It was a beautiful evening on June 30th to see some amazing cars, have some great food and just fellowship with lots of other car folks. The All American Sunday was held at Second Baptist in Cypress and it was a great time seeing old friends and making new ones!



## Battleship Texas Cruise by Zachary Applebach

I was a great cruise and a good turnout for having rain in the forecast. But we got to see the old girl before heading off to overhauled. And we even got to go to the San Jacinto Monument. I know that Houston is sad to see her go, but we will be looking forward to her return to wherever she'll be docked.



## MCOH Trailer Clean Out

It's been a long time coming but we finally got it done. We cleaned out our club trailer and reorganized things. It started about three months ago when my youngest son offered to let us bring the old carpet rolls we've been lugging around for years and put it in his 42' dumpster. Thanks Marcus!

Jennifer Everage was kind enough to offer her spacious driveway for us to back in the trailer as well as Shane Masters work trailer, where Shane keeps all his livelihood tools of the trade. Jennifer had fresh coffee for us and Ray Coe brought the donuts. Thanks Jennifer and Ray for keeping the crew happy while working in the heat.

Shane is a master of just about everything. Makes you wonder if that's how his family name came about years ago from some talented family members. I donated a couple sheets of 3/4" plywood that Shane used to replace the worn and somewhat warped shelving, as well as removing a lower shelf and added one up top. More room to

*Not everyone who helped was able to stay for the photo.*



move around now without losing shelving space. Thanks Shane.

Bryan Beautz was kind enough to donate some really cool LED lights for inside the trailer as well as mount and wire them up so we have some very bright lights now to see what we're digging for. Thanks Bryan.

I'm not going to even try to remember everyone who came out to help, so not to miss anyone, I'm just going to say "Thanks to everyone" who came out on this hot Saturday to help with the trailer. It is very much appreciated and we now have an organized and well lit trailer.

# MCOH Fall Open Car Show, Planet Ford - October 12, 2019

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by Roy Duke

photos courtesy of Jaque Jones, David Marche and Kurtis Hickie

MCOH held its second car show at Planet Ford this year with our Fall OPEN Car Show on November 12th. The show brought in many very nice vehicles or all makes and models. We even had three Rat Rods show up. Many of these machines I knew, but there were a couple I didn't, like "Plum Crazy". This was a magnificent display of a classic straight front axle Dragster. And of course we had plenty of really nice Mustangs. Thanks to all who came out and gave of their time to help set up, run the show and take down after the show was over. Thanks also to Northside Mustang Car Club for not only showing up, but also helping out. Everyone's help is greatly appreciated. And a

special thanks to Planet Ford for all they do. Not only a great sponsor of MCOH, but absolutely the best dealership a club could ask for. Thanks again to everyone who participated in making this show such a success for our charities.



Chris Lee receiving Best of Show from  
MCOH Sponsor, Planet Ford

# Impromptu Car Shows Honors Cancer Victim

by Dennis Osting

The Mustang Club of Houston was honored to be asked to help organize and support the first annual **Dewayne Everage Benefit Open Car Show** on June 15, 2019 at Corky's BBQ in Katy, TX. Dewayne fell victim in 2015 to a very rare and slow form of cancer, Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma, which targets the airway, head and neck. Jennifer Everage, the wife of the late Dewayne Everage, came up with the idea of honoring her late husband by holding a car show because Dewayne was an avid car guy and a Mustang owner. Actually, on their first date, Dewayne picked Jennifer up in a 1968 Fastback Mustang.

So, in order to get this car show off the ground, Jenny (as she likes to be called), approached MD Anderson to see what support they could offer for this event. They were quick to jump on board and offer their support with fund raising. Next, being a member of the Mustang Club of Houston, Jenny approached the Mustang Club of Houston for help in organizing and logistics support for holding this car show. Needless to say, the club was unanimously on board to handle the show set-up, parking, registration, DJ, and help judging. In addition, MCOH club members, Pete and Sharon Sigwardt, graciously donated the event trophies. So, through the coordination of Mustang Club of Houston members Roy Duke, Dennis Osting, Jaque Jones, and Rex Engle, a flyer was quickly created and contact with Corky's BBQ Regional Manager completed the venue logistics.

The car show itself was a great success for a first time car show. There were 29 registered cars and with this being an open car show, there were some very nice local rides that showed up. The vintage cars mixed with the newer modified and sleek new cars made for a very good cross-section of displayed cars. Adding to the displayed cars, AutoNation Ford where Jenny had recently purchased her new 2019 Bullitt a few months earlier, brought down 3 new Mustangs, one a new Stage 3 Roush. Corky's BBQ also proved to be a great location and offered a discount to all attendees and generously contributed a percentage of their business during the car show to the cancer fund. And, MD Anderson had two representatives in attendance to help educate everyone on this specific type of cancer and to take donations. All

in all, there was great support from everyone for this car show.

At the end of the day, with judging help from MCOH members, Jenny made her best of show selections and presented 3 attendees with trophies. Following the presentation of trophies, Jenny expressed her appreciation with a very heart-felt and sincere thank you to all the attendees and supporters. And, a little special moment came when Jenny and DeWayne's 12-year old daughter, Haleigh, asked for the mic and thanked all who attended. This was a very touching moment for all of us.

In the end, this impromptu car show proved to be a very rewarding event for all involved. Overall, the donations from all sources totaled over \$5200 for the cancer research fund. I think we can rightfully say it was a success. The Mustang Club of Houston was truly honored to be a part of such a great event and we are looking forward to making this an annual event and helping it grow in size not only in car attendance, but also in donations!





# Mustang Night at Otto's By Jaque Jones

You never know what you might see when you head south to Stafford to Otto's for a car show. It was Mustang Night on July 27th, and there were mustangs and everything else you can imagine!



# Garage Days!!! Shane Masters and Richard Jones getting by with a little help from their friends!





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# What's Happening...

## November 2nd

Showplace Classics Mustang Night  
Otto's (\$5 per car)  
11222 Fountain Lake Drive  
Stafford, Texas

## November 8th

Showplace Classics Mustang Night  
Freddy's Frozen Custard  
Kuykendahl north of FM2920  
Spring, Texas

## November 9th

Langham Creek FFA "Show and  
Shine" Car Show  
Telge AG Facility  
Cypress, Texas

## November 9th

Holy Rollin' Car Show  
Spring, Texas

## November 16th

Hot Rods and Harleys  
Republic Harley Davidson  
Stafford, Texas

## November 28th-December 1st

Autorama  
George R Brown Convention Center  
Houston, Texas

## December 14th

MCOH Christmas Party  
Citizens for Animal Protection  
Houston, Texas

## January 22nd-26th

Houston Auto Show 2020  
NRG Center  
Houston, Texas



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