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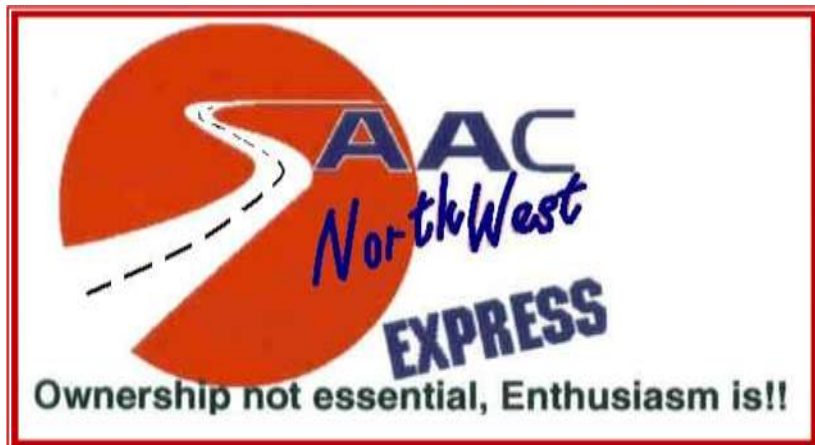
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February 2010

Next club meeting February 21, 2010 at

Wilsonville Denny's at 6pm



## ***THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN 2010...***

Feb. 21st- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
Mar. 19-21<sup>st</sup>- Central Oregon Rod and Custom Show-  
Mar. 21st- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
April 9-11th - 46th Portland Swap Meet- Expo Center  
April 16-18th- 54th Portland Roadster Show- Convention Center  
April 18th- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
May 1<sup>st</sup>- Suburban Ford Car Show- See flyer  
May 9th- Mother's Day (just a reminder for those who forget)  
May 16th- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
May 29-31st- British Open- PIR  
June 5th- All Ford Show- Washington County Fair Grounds  
June 11-13th- 50th Rose Cup Races- PIR  
June 20th- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
June 20th- Father's Day and my Birthday.  
July 2-4th- Pacific NW Historic Races- SIR  
July 9-11th- Portland Historic Races- PIR  
July 14<sup>th</sup>- Open Track Day-PIR  
July 15-18th- Mustang Roundup- Bellevue, WA  
July 18th- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
Aug. 8th- All Ford Picnic- Champoeg Park, Wilsonville  
Aug. 15th- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
Aug. 20-21st- Wapato Showdown- Gaston  
Aug. 26-28th- SAAC National Convention- Sears Point, CA  
Sept. 4-6th- Columbia River Classic Road Race- PIR  
Sept. 10-12th- Rod Run to the End of the World- Long Beach, WA  
Sept. 19th- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
Oct. 2-3rd- Maryhill Loops Hill Climb- Goldendale, WA  
Oct.17th- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's  
Nov. 21st- SAAC NW Meeting- 6pm Wilsonville Denney's



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## FOPIR Announcement – Track Opening Day, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Your Involvement is Needed:

We are pleased to announce that *Friends of Portland International Raceway* will once again be hosting a “Track Opening Day” event on February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010. This event is a great opportunity to share the many different facets of what the Track offers as well as introduce each of the groups that use PIR on a regular basis to each other and the general public.

Each group and their members have a stake in the experience Portland International Raceway delivers not only to those participating in the various activities but also to the spectators of those events. With that said FOPIR can’t make the “Track Opening Day” truly successful without the assistance of these groups. We are asking that each group organize, and staff booths and static displays that are educational, show off the tools of their sport (ie., race car, bicycle, motorcycle), and provide information relating to what the group is about and how others might become involved.

Here’s what you can expect for the day. The event starts at 7:00 AM with a Nature Walk. We ask that all booths are staffed by 8:00 AM. FOPIR is currently finalizing the schedule of various events that will be taking place throughout PIR, both on track and off. Lunch will be provided. Booths and displays should be staffed from 8:00 AM through 5:00 PM. We request that you have information to share with the community about your group. Interested groups should contact Niki Hruska at 503-285-9851 or by email at [niki.hruska@tcmcorp.com](mailto:niki.hruska@tcmcorp.com) by February 13th to register.

Tents are to be set up Friday Evening. More information regarding setup and the event details will be provided as we get closer to the date.

Remember... this is an event where you can share what you love with the public, get them excited about PIR and help us kick off the 2010 PIR event schedule.

Thanks and we look forward to seeing you for “Track Opening Day”

## From Backup to Also Ran

An attempt to make the grade in a 1967 Shelby-prepared Mustang

**T**here's no arguing that the glory days of SCCA's Trans-Am series were rich with racing history; all one has to do is look at the record books. By 1970, every manufacturer that had a finger on the performance trigger had a car entered, whether by a privateer or through a factory-backed effort. Add to that the list of road course legends, and it would be almost impossible to duplicate today. But while most will fondly recall the Penske Camaros, Bud Moore's Mustangs and the All American Racers, few may remember car owner Joe Kramas and his 1967 Mustang.

As it turns out, this Mustang never accumulated any points for the second-year effort. In fact, it was relegated to use as a backup car and never saw a lap of competition. At season's end, it was sold to Pierre Plassart, who also failed to enter the car in any of the 1968 races while it was under his ownership.

That trend of disuse changed when Joe purchased the car in July of 1968. Upon acquiring the car, Joe promptly lettered its quarter panels to identify his company—KodeKey Electronics, Inc.—based in Concord, California. He then signed

force to be reckoned with in time for the '69 season, thanks to the introduction of the Boss variant, along with the aid of NASCAR team owner Bud Moore. Meanwhile, Joe opted to retain his two-year-old Shelby and concentrate his efforts on the four West Coast races that remained at the end of the Trans-Am schedule.

Interestingly, he only entered two of them, with two different drivers.

At the famed Laguna Seca (now Mazda Raceway), Bob Barker was once again listed as the driver for the 199-lap race—though for some reason, he failed to even start the event. Skipping over Kent, Joe placed Jerry Oliver behind the wheel of the Mustang for the 80-lap event at Sears Point International Raceway (now known as Infineon Raceway) in Sonoma, California. A total of 34 cars received the green flag, and Jerry steadily pushed the Ford to a 13th place finish overall (12th in class), but seven laps off the pace.

It could be easily said that Joe's Shelby was teetering on the brink of Trans-Am obscurity long before the 1970 season started. The clouds only thickened for the first event of the year at Laguna Seca where, according to records, Dick Carter was listed as the driver. As the field rolled to the green flag, Joe's Ford was not on the grid. Furthermore, Dick has long maintained his stance that he did not drive the car.

However, what is known is that sometime during 1970, the aging Shelby was sold to an individual who raced it in SCCA regional events; it was also reported as having been raced on dirt tracks in California's Central Valley.

By 1987, the car was listed as being for sale in the SCCA newsletter as a '67 GT-2 Mustang powered by Cobra engine equipment. A gentleman by the name of Paul Parslow was able to identify the car and purchased it for a stunning \$800. Ironically, the Shelby had retained most of its original build characteristics and driveline. The car has since been restored to its as-raced condition when owned by Joe, and is currently owned and raced in vintage Trans-Am events by Walt Boeninger of Saratoga, California. 📍



As was often the case with cars destined for the Trans-Am series, this particular Mustang began just like its non-racing brethren. But rather than being sent to one of the hundreds of dealer lots, the car was invoiced to Shelby American in June 1967. Upon arrival, it was selectively prepared for SCCA competition, one of 26 Mustangs to receive such treatment. Having taken the Trans-Am manufacturer's title in 1966, the team was looking to repeat; they managed to achieve that goal over then brand-rival Mercury by a mere two points.

Bob Barker on as its driver and entered the Shelby Mustang in the final two races of the 1968 season. The Mission Bell 250 at the now-closed Riverside International Raceway (in Riverside, California) would be the team's first test. Unfortunately, at the end of the 96-lap contest, Bob was 30 laps off the pace—still running—finishing 20th overall, but 11th in the over-2-liter class.

In spite of the lackluster start, the team travelled to Pacific Raceways in Kent, Washington, for the Kent 300. Mark Donohue—having already locked up a Chevrolet title—won the 135-lap contest, while Bob and his Mustang soldiered to a solid ninth overall (seventh in class) only 38 laps down.

Ford's Mustang once again became a

### **President's Report**

President Steve Thomas brought the general meeting to order at 6:10 P.M.

Steve asked for two guests to introduce themselves, Del and Debbie Riehl who have an Aurora Cobra. All members proceeded to go around the room and introduce ourselves to our guests along with the cars that they own.

Steve asked for the Club Secretary's Meeting Minutes for the SAAC NW Meeting on 15 November 2009.

### **Secretary's Report**

Secretary Paul Blanchard read the meeting minutes of the SAAC NW 15 November 2009 meeting. Paul asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes as printed in our newsletter. Hearing none the minutes stand as read.

### **Vice President's Report**

Bill Meloy wanted to talk about the list of activities that our club will be attending this year. Bill mentioned that Larry Cockerham has agreed to put on a poker run for us this year. Two items mentioned were a tour to the Aviation Museum in Hood River and the Evergreen Aviation Museum in McMinnville. Bill said that we should go on the tour to Maupin again it was enjoyed by members in the last two years.

Doug Buchner said that he would like to try having an evening dinner meeting with interested members at a restaurant where people could gather for an informal time of conversation and fun. Watch for the announcement in the newsletter.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Linda Donahoo gave the treasurers report gave the balances from our checking account and from our money market account. After a few minor expenses are subtracted out we still have a good treasury.

### **MHRC Report**

Alternate Rep Paul Blanchard gave the MHRC report for the 12 January meeting. Roll call was taken with 15 clubs present and 1 absent, we have a quorum. We had a guest Mr. Paul DeShaw from the Pharoahs Car Club.

Current PRS manager Duane Caseday gave his PRS report. Duane said that Chip Foose will be present at the show with two cars. Chip will select a car to award a one time only trophy, the Chip Foose award. Chip will be present for all three days of the show.

There will be a Dee Wescott award this year, Dee was the first President of the MHRC and was one of the first in business to manufacture fiberglass Ford roadster bodies. We were able to secure a permit to close off the back road to the Convention Center so that trailered cars and other participants can come to the show and not get ticketed like last year.

Mike Eitel of the Corvette Club said that the Miss Portland Roadster Show participant may be eligible to compete in the Miss Oregon Pageant. We will have a couple of Miss Oregon ladies present at our awards show to help hand out awards. Rose City Classics will be putting in a couple of their club cars at the Gun and Knife Show held at the Expo Center on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>.

The MHRC helped out a family for Christmas this year, the people had a fire in their mobile home, her husband works for a church and isn't eligible for State aid and the mother was diagnosed with early stages of ALS. Council

members helped out by giving the family presents including toys for the kids and were instrumental in raising \$822.00 to help them out. In last months news letter it was mentioned that Family Fun Rod and Custom Car Club put on a Cruise-In to benefit the kids at the Emmanuel Childrens Hospital. Cars meet at Portland Meadows with their toys for young people aged 13 to 17 and then Cruise to the Hospital. It was noted that in the past the parade permit cost \$70.00, this year the City of Portland Council raised it to \$690.00! As it turned out after Council members talked with the City of Portland we were able to get the cost reduced to \$70.00 with no Police Escort.

### **National SAAC Rep**

Dan Jones wasn't present at tonight's meeting will have a report for us next month. Dan left word with Steve Thomas that he wanted to mention the big Mustang Meet in Bellevue Washington in July. For those wishing to attend the event the host Hotel is the Embassy Suites. There is a link on our club website to the event if you would like additional information. Fred Gehring said that the information in the SAAC National listing for the NW SAAC rep is incorrect, should have Dan Jones name listed instead of his.

### **Track Steward's Report**

Doug Buchner said that the PIR users meeting is coming up, he will attend. Doug commented on the upcoming track days with other clubs, he said that the new schedule will be coming out soon.

Brian Bogdon commented on the AutoCross event held at Packwood Washington at the old Hampton lumber mill site. The National SCCA comes out with enthusiasts from all over the country to the facility to race. If we were to rent the facility we would need to set it up to whatever we want. Brian said that it is a big facility with lots of room, is very fast. Brian said that there are some dates open in May and September, June July and August are booked. Brian wanted to put it out there for anyone who may have an interest.

### **Newsletter Editors Report**

Lynette Spohn is interested in members sending in a one sentence item, such as a cruise-in that you attended, or a car fix that would be of interest to all members, in general something of interest to all members.

### **Webmaster's Report**

Webmaster Rick Sattler said that he is still looking for pictures to put up on the website, if you have any interesting pictures send them to Rick.

### **New/Old Business**

Steve Thomas talked about the upcoming track days and the need for a cross promotional event with the Alfa Club. There are many details that need to be worked out, something that will need to be discussed, such as the major cost differences between the two clubs since the Alfa Club likes the more expensive week end track days.

Fred Gehring mentioned that over the last couple of years when our club had its corral at the Historic Races at PIR we were placed in a dusty area with lots of Cottonwood debris coming down along with the dirt. Fred and Gayle have complained, finally someone listened and we will have a better area for our show cars next to the BMW club in a grassy area. It is closer to the foot bridge and all of the conveniences such as rest rooms and vendors, etc.

Brian Bogdon said that Sovern has the Mary Hill Loops Hill Climb this year, and the featured Marque is the Sunbeam which includes the Tigers. Brian said that they are looking for at least 18 or more Sunbeams to show up to best the record of 18 set by the Studebaker Club as last years featured Marque.

Larry Cockerham is planning the Poker Run to the coast, more details to come. Steve Thomas adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: Paul R. Blanchard, Secretary



## Member's Tips...

\*\*\*\*\*If you would like to submit tips and stories for our next newsletter, please email them to [deprincess64@aol.com](mailto:deprincess64@aol.com) with SAAC tips in the subject line.

### Interesting! A refresher course--who knew?

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- 10) Removes stains from stainless steel sinks.
- 11) Removes dirt and grime from the barbecue grill.
- 12) Keeps ceramic/terra cotta garden pots from oxidizing.
- 13) Removes tomato stains from clothing.
- 14) Keeps glass shower doors free of water spots.
- 15) Camouflages scratches in ceramic and marble floors.
- 16) Keeps scissors working smoothly.
- 17) Lubricates noisy door hinges on vehicles and doors in homes
- 18) It removes black scuff marks from the kitchen floor! Open some windows if you have a lot of marks.

- 19) Bug guts will eat away the finish on your car. Removed quickly, with WD-40!
- 20) Gives a children's play gym slide a shine for a super fast slide.
- 21) Lubricates gear shift on lawn mowers.
- 22) Rids kids rocking chairs and swings of squeaky noises.
- 23) Lubricates tracks in sticking home windows and makes them easier to open.
- 24) Spraying an umbrella stem makes it easier to open and close.
- 25) Restores and cleans padded leather dashboards in vehicles, as well as vinyl bumpers.
- 26) Restores and cleans roof racks on vehicles.
- 27) Lubricates and stops squeaks in electric fans.
- 28) Lubricates wheel sprockets on tricycles, wagons, and bicycles for easy handling.
- 29) Lubricates fan belts on washers and dryers and keeps them running smoothly.
- 30) Keeps rust from forming on saws and saw blades, and other tools.
- 31) Removes splattered grease on stove.
- 32) Keeps bathroom mirror from fogging.
- 33) Lubricates prosthetic limbs.
- 34) Keeps pigeons off the balcony (they hate the smell).
- 35) Removes all traces of duct tape.
- 36) Folks even spray it on their arms, hands, and knees to relieve arthritis pain.
- 37) Florida 's favorite use is Cleans and removes love bugs from grills and bumpers.'
- 38) Protects the Statue of Liberty from the elements.
- 39) WD-40 attracts fish. Spray a LITTLE on live bait or lures and you will be catching the big one in no time.
- 40) Fire ant bites. It takes the sting away immediately and stops the itch.
- 41) WD-40 is great for removing Crayon from walls. Spray on the mark and wipe with a clean rag.
- 42) If you've washed and dried a tube of lipstick with a load of laundry, saturate the lipstick spots with WD-40 and rewash. Presto! Lipstick is gone!
- 43) If you spray WD-40 on the distributor cap, it will displace the moisture and allow the car to start.
- 44) Keep a can of WD-40 in my kitchen cabinet over the stove. It is good for oven burns or any other type of burn. It takes the burned feeling away and heals with NO scarring Remember, the basic ingredient is FISH OIL



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