



# Pony Prints

A Publication of the Panhandle Ponies Tallahassee Mustang Club

July 2010

## July Meeting Location

**PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR THE NEXT MEETING ON  
14 JULY, THE PANHANDLE PONIES WILL BE MEETING AT  
SEMINOLE WIND RESTAURANT  
2226 NORTH MONROE STREET, TALLAHASSEE  
THE TIMES ARE THE SAME:  
6:30 PM FOR SUPPER AND 7:30 PM FOR THE BUSINESS MEETING.**

## 20-Year Anniversary

As 2010 is the 20-year anniversary of Panhandle Ponies Tallahassee Mustang Club, I thought we should take a look back at our roots. That's right, the Panhandle Ponies Tallahassee Mustang Club has been around for 20 years! My how time flies when you're having fun! In this issue you will find an article that first appeared in the November 1990 issue of the Pony Prints. *-Editor.*

## Sloppy Shifters

By Linda Carter

In your ponies' transmission, age can sometimes begin to take its toll on the shift lever. This includes three & four speeds, as well as automatic transmissions. On all these transmissions the shifter loosens when a spring breaks, or the bushings wear out. The rebuild kits cost around ten dollars, and is a worthwhile investment. This article was prepared to explain the procedures on the replacement of the bushings and springs on the automatic and manual transmission shifters.

The procedure on manual transmissions is an easy one that follows. First remove the shifter bezel and the rubber boot. Next remove the two screws on top and replace the bushings and springs. And all that is left to do is to reinstall the two screws, rubber boot, and the shifter bezel.

However, on an automatic transmission the process is rather more complicated. There are three bushings on an automatic transmission. To replace these bushings the process is as follows. Remove the "T" handle from the shifter. Remove the chrome bezel. Remove the large nut and go under the car and remove the pin on the base of the shifter. Install the small round bushing here. Back inside, install the medium bushings to cure the back and forth wobble. Reinstall by reversing procedure. So, let's all stabilize our shifters.

## Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker this month will be Tony Samper. Tony Samper cut his teeth at Competition Engineering in south Florida where he learned to tune the last erg out of an engine. He has an extensive drag-racing history in various production car classes.

**Panhandle Ponies Tallahassee Mustang Club  
Meeting Minutes of 9 June 2010**

Called to Order at: 7:21 pm by our President Shirley Shields.

Members and Guests present: 14 Club Members and one guest were present at Seminole Wind Restaurant.

Treasurers Report: Nick reported \$1,067.76 in savings and \$823.35 in checking.

Report on Past Car Shows and Events:

1. The cruise to St. Marks was a great success.
2. Shirley reported on the benefit cruise-in for Dick Heburn's family.

Upcoming Shows and Events:

1. Father's Day Car Show, Tallahassee, 20 June
2. Sears Car Show, Tallahassee, 26 June
3. Ernie Sims Benefiting Kids, Tallahassee, 11 July
4. Big Daddy Super Cruise, Don Garlits, 17 July
5. Fords at the Summit, Norwalk, OH, 23-25 July
6. Shriners' Car Show, Pensacola, 24 July

Tech Talk: Corby presented a technical discussion on turn signals with emphasis on a quick method of diagnosing problems.

Old Business:

1. All-Car Club Show & Shine – Good progress is being made on the arrangements for the All-Car Club Show and Shine.
2. Restaurant Committee – The Club decided to continue to meet at the Seminole Wind Restaurant.

New Business:

1. It was announced that Tallahassee Ford Lincoln Mercury is tentatively planning on having a car show in July
2. Tom Shields announced that Tallahassee Dodge Chrysler Jeep is planning on having a car show on 31 July.
3. Nick distributed new "Meet Me" cards at the meeting.

50-50 Winner: Andy Smith at \$9.00.

Mustangs at the meeting: There were 7 Mustangs, a Falcon and a Mercury Marauder in the Seminole Wind parking lot during the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at: The meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm.

Respectfully submitted by Nick Brown for Woody Lewis.

## Web Site of the Month

Do you need help in choosing what item to buy amid the myriad of choices?  
See The Consumerist blog.

<http://www.consumerist.com>  
or 866 378-2853

## Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on  
Wednesday 14 July 2010 at  
Seminole Wind  
2226 North Monroe Street,  
Tallahassee, FL,

6:30 pm to eat and 7:30 pm for the  
business meeting.

## Next Cruise-In

Our next cruise-in will be on  
Saturday 10 July 2010 at the  
Whataburger on Thomasville Road  
5:00 to 8:00 pm.

## Members' Birthdays for July:

Let's all join in a round of applause for our members who have gained another year of experience:

Paula Link

Linda Love

Tony Nativio

Victor Pisoni

Robert Shields

Diane Slocumb

Andrew Smith

Alyssa Taylor

Dan Will



*Many happy returns to our  
birthday people!*

## About the Newsletter

Members are strongly encouraged to prepare contributions to the Newsletter, which may be articles, reports on car shows, photographs, letters-to-the-editor and other interesting information.

As always, the opinions expressed in such contributions are the responsibility of the author and may not represent those of the Pony Prints or the Panhandle Ponies. Contributions may be edited for spelling, grammar, syntax, content, brevity *et cetera*.

Contributions to the August 2010 Newsletter are  
**due to the Editor by 30 July 2010.**

# Coming Events

## 10 July Cruise-In

Join the Fords of Florida, and the Classic Chevy Club for the monthly cruise-in at the Whataburger on Thomasville Road from 5:00 to 8:00pm.

## 11 July Tallahassee

### **Ernie Sims Car Show Benefiting Kids**

Sponsored by Ernie Sims Big Hits Foundation. For information visit [www.ErnieSims50.com](http://www.ErnieSims50.com) or 850-322-2946 or [harper.ricky@gmail.com](mailto:harper.ricky@gmail.com) or 850-510-5771.

## 14 Jul July Meeting

Business meeting held at 7:30 pm at Tallahassee.

## 15-18 July Bellevue, WA

### **MCA Grand National & 30th Annual Mustangs North West RoundUP**

**Bellevue, Washington** at Bellevue College. Saturday MCA Judged Show 7:30am-5pm, Sunday's People's Choice 7am - 5pm. Registration \$60 Saturday show with free entry for Sunday, \$20 Sunday-only People's Choice. Thursday Ride 'n Drive Track Event, Friday Pony Trails leaves BC at 8am and Evergreen Speedway at 9am. MCA Grand National must pre-register. Saturday evening Dinner Cruise, Sunday World's largest gathering of Mustangs at BC. Registration in Mustang Time and on our website. Email: Jeanie McCain: [jfmcain@comcast.net](mailto:jfmcain@comcast.net); call Lois Robinson at 206.817.0756, email [lois.robinson@verizonwireless.com](mailto:lois.robinson@verizonwireless.com); visit [www.mustangsnorthwest.com](http://www.mustangsnorthwest.com)

## 17 July Ocala, FL

### **Big Daddy Super Cruise 4**

Hosted by David Hawkins and originates at the Walmart on US 27 South, aka Apalachee Parkway, and travels to the Don Garlitts Museum of Drag Racing in Ocala. No charge for the cruise and admission to the Museum is \$12. Information: [www.tallamedia.com](http://www.tallamedia.com) or 850-294-9491.

## 23-25 July Norwalk, OH

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fords at the Summit**

Show and Shine, Swap Meet and Drag Racing. For information and forms call 717-619-1118 or [lisa@eventsandproductions.com](mailto:lisa@eventsandproductions.com). Or see [www.SummitMotorsportsPark.com/ford](http://www.SummitMotorsportsPark.com/ford).

## 31 July Tallahassee

Car, truck and motorcycle show at Tallahassee Dodge, Chrysler, Jeep, 3987 West Tennessee St. Classes for all vehicles. Food. Trophies. Registration is from 9:00am. Show is from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

## 11 Aug August Meeting

Business meeting held at 7:30 pm at Tallahassee.

## 13-15 August Virginia Beach, VA

### **MCA National Show**

Hosted by Southeastern Virginia Mustang Club at Pembroke Mall. Event 9am - 4pm; check-in 9am - 12 Noon. Registration \$65 (pre-registration \$45 MCA members/\$55 non-members before August 1, 2010). SEVMC hosts 2010 National at Pembroke Mall at Towne Center in Virginia Beach. The WESTIN TOWNE CENTER is the host hotel and is also the site of the Friday night Welcome Banquet. The HILTON GARDEN is the co-host hotel. FREE inside parking is located thru-out Towne Center. The WESTIN is 3 blocks from the show site and the HILTON is across the street. For more information, call Jerry Callender at 757-318-6437 or email [superstang2@cox.net](mailto:superstang2@cox.net) or visit the website at <http://www.sevmc.org>.

## 14 Aug Cruise-In

Join the Fords of Florida, and the Classic Chevy Club for the monthly cruise-in at the Whataburger on Thomasville Road from 5:00 to 8:00pm.

## 3-5 September Asheville, NC

### **Mustangs at the Mansion 2010 Mustang National Event**

Hosted by Blue Ridge Mustang Club of Asheville at Biltmore Estate/Asheville, NC. Event hours are TBD. Registration fee is TBD (pre-registration TBD). Host hotel: Doubletree Inn. Co-host hotels: Marriott Residence Inn, Sleep Inn, Quality Inn & Suites, Asheville Hilton. Hotel reservations accepted beginning 9/02/2009. Show participants MUST purchase tickets to Biltmore Estate. Special 3 day pass is \$30 per person (reg. price is \$50-\$55 per day)! No charge for spectators, but are limited to show site only! Registration form (available late 2009) will contain information on all fees. For more information, call Joe Grace at 828.667.9213; email [mustangsatthemansion2010@gmail.com](mailto:mustangsatthemansion2010@gmail.com); or visit <http://brmcoa.org>.

| July                         |           |           |                                       |           |   |  |
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| Sunday                       | Monday    | Tuesday   | Wednesday                             | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday   |
|                              |           |           |                                       | <b>1</b>  | <b>2</b>                                      | <b>3</b><br>Sonic Cruize-in                            |
| <b>4</b><br>Independence Day | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b><br>.                         | <b>8</b>  | <b>9</b>                                      | <b>10</b><br>Chevys, Fords and Mustangs at Whataburger |
| <b>11</b>                    | <b>12</b> | <b>13</b> | <b>14</b><br>Panhandle Ponies Meeting | <b>15</b> | <b>16</b>                                     | <b>17</b>  |
| <b>18</b>                    | <b>19</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>21</b>                             | <b>22</b> | <b>23</b>                                     | <b>24</b>  |
| <b>25</b>                    | <b>26</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>28</b>                             | <b>29</b> | <b>30</b><br>Contributions to Newsletter due. | <b>31</b><br>Streetrodders at Whataburger              |

| August    |           |           |                                       |           |   |  |
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# About the Club

The Panhandle Ponies Tallahassee Mustang Club of Tallahassee Florida has served enthusiasts in the North Florida and the South Georgia areas since July 1990. The only requirement for membership is an interest in the Ford Mustang automobile. Ownership is NOT required.

Members are encouraged to contribute to the Pony Prints by sending your articles, pictures and advertisements to Panhandle Ponies, Attn: Editor, P. O. Box 38312, Tallahassee FL 32315-8312, or electronically to: [c7zf@nettally.com](mailto:c7zf@nettally.com).

Annual Family Membership Dues: \$15.00.

<http://www.tallahasseemustang.com>

Those wishing to receive this newsletter electronically may request delivery by email by sending a note to the Editor at [c7zf@nettally.com](mailto:c7zf@nettally.com).

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