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Ford Reveals the 2010 Mustang

By Tony Peccolo, DMC Newsletter Editor

On November 18, Ford threw a party in Los Angeles to celebrate the re-birth of the Mustang. Although the car won't reach showrooms until Spring of next year, the new 2010 design is stirring interest. Several Mustang-oriented web sites and forums are already talking about the car's new design.

While the current economy is turning many people away from new-car showrooms, Ford is hoping the excitement of a new design will help bring people back. "We put in dramatic shape and sculpture," says Robert Gelardi, the senior Ford Designer responsible for the car's new look.

The Mustang has been in production continuously for since 1964. Over 45 model years, Ford has sold more than 9 million Mustangs, making the model one of the most popular ever built.

The new 2010 design is clearly Mustang, but with a more aggressive look. "The shark nose is amplified. The headlamps are more aggressive and the back end has a lot more shape to it," Gelardi notes. "It's modern, but it's still a Mustang," he adds, avoiding any mention of "retro" in describing design changes. "The proportions are classic, and there are little things that jog your memory. It says Mustang without you having to read the word or see the horse," he says.



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The character lines along the side are better integrated, but preserve the Mustang's distinctive shape. The interior of the car also has been tweaked by Ford's design team.

Horsepower and fuel economy on both the V8 and V6 versions have been improved. While final numbers aren't available yet, Ford expects the V6 version to get a "best-in-class," 26-miles per gallon. The 2010 Mustang also comes with a new suspension system based on the one used in last year's "Bullitt" edition.

To check out the 2010 model in more detail, check out the web site:

<http://www.fordvehicles.com/the2010mustang/>

DMC CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 7

**RED ROCKS
COUNTRY CLUB**

16235 W. Belleview Ave.
Morrison, CO 80465

5 PM to 8 PM

**Adult: \$20
Child (12 and under): \$5**

**Please RSVP by
December 1 to:**

**Carrie Jacobucci,
479 CR 17
Brighton, CO 80603
Or call 303-654-0092**

Don't forget we will have a gift exchange — one for men and one for women. Target price of around \$20 per gift.

"Santa" will make his usual appearance to treat all of those good little boys and girls (18 and under). Please provide their names when you RSVP!!

Red Rocks Country Club (RRCC) is located in the Willow Springs community, immediately south of Hampden/Highway 285 and just west of C-470.



“Thank you all for a great 2008!”

— Terry Lewand

Thank you for a great year! — from the President

Time to Pass the Torch

As 2008 draws to a close, I want to thank each member of the Denver Mustang Club for their support. It has been a privilege to represent this great organization.

As a Club, we accomplished much this year. Highlights include our own Wild West Auto Fest car show, the Club's participation in the Rocky Mountain Mustang Roundup, the Club Clash at Bandimere and a range of local shows and cruises across the metro area.

My hope is all of you will remain active, and continue to support your Club and the incoming Board in 2009.

Christmas Party

Don't forget that our final event of the year is the Club's annual Christmas Party at Red Rocks Country Club.

The Party is on Sunday evening, December 7, beginning at 5:00 PM. RSVPs are due on December 1. Call Carrie or Jeff Jacobucci (Club Treasurer) at 303-654-0092.

As in past years, there will be a gift exchange for women and men in attendance. To participate, bring a wrapped gift that's around \$20.00.

Santa will pay a visit during dinner. If you have any children under 18 years of age attending, let Jeff or Carrie know when you register!

Directions

Red Rocks Country Club is easy to find:

- Take C-470 to Quincy
- Turn left onto Quincy
- Follow signs to Belleview
- At roundabout, turn right
- Go west on Belleview
- Club is 1.9 miles on right

Red Rocks Country Club
16235 W. Belleview Ave.
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Your DMC Board of Directors for 2009

November Elections

Last month, the Club held its annual Election and “Movie Night” for all members and their families. The modest turnout at the meeting was enough to support final nominations and the election of new Club officers for 2009.

The 2009 Board is distinguished by a number of “fresh” faces — a testament to the health and well being of our Club.

On behalf of the 2008 Board, thank you for your support and participation! We look forward at seeing you at Club events, shows and cruises next year!

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Membership Update

By Geri Durbin, DMC Membership Chair

Pony Tales!

Welcome to the 2000s!
No major changes were made to Mustang's new edgy design during model years 2000-2004. However, some noted production items during these model years include:

- The 2000 limited edition Cobra-R (designed to be a street legal race car).
- The addition in 2001 of the Bullitt GT and hood/side scoops to the GT.
- The normal Cobra returned in 2002 and the option to crank up the sound with the Mach 1000 sound system.
- 2003 saw the debut of a new beefed up Cobra to kick up some extra dust at the competition.
- 2004 was the 40th anniversary of the Mustang, the 2nd year of the 390 horsepower Cobra and the final year of the body style (the Fox-body platform that had supported the Mustang since 1979).

The 2005 Mustang brought a change of platforms and complete direction change in styling: "retro" (going back in time to express where the famous Mustang came from). The model has remained very similar to present day with the following highlights:

- Two new Shelby Mustangs became available in 2008 (the Shelby GT and Shelby GT500KR).
- 2009 models have the option of the first ever factory-installed glass roof and the Bullitt returns to the stable to mark the 45th anniversary of the Mustang.

Muscle will go even more modern in 2010 with a new exterior design, updated tech-

nology and more horsepower with the V-8 providing an even throatier signature Mustang exhaust sound.

As stated at the website muscularmustangs.com, "Mustang is one of the greatest automotive sales success stories of all time. Nearly 1 out of every 2 sports cars sold in America is a Mustang, and Mustang remains one of the hottest selling cars in America."

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Club Cars

The DMC has 25 Mustangs in all manufactured during the 2000s including:

- (4) 2001 2 GT convertibles
 - 1 Bullitt
 - 1 Cobra;
- (1) 2002 GT
- (4) 2003 2 Cobras
 - 1 Cobra convertible
 - 1 Saleen Convertible
 - 1 Mach 1
- (2) 2004 1 GT
 - 1 Mach 1
- (2) 2005 1 GT
 - 1 Rousch Stage 1 Convertible
- (4) 2006 1 GT (my pony!)
 - 1 GT convertible
 - 1 GT Pro-charged
 - 1 Hertz Shelby
- (5) 2007 3 GTs
 - 1 V6 Coupe
 - 1 Shelby GT500
- (2) 2008 1 GT
 - 1 Shelby GT 500

I hope you have all enjoyed "Pony Tales!" over the last five months and finding out how the DMC member cars represent the various decades.

December Birthdays

- 12/1 Brandy Ambrosio
- 12/2 Robert Thiessen
- 12/6 Pat Emore
- 12/7 Steve Minneman
- 12/9 Sam Mazzucca
- 12/13 Dave Rallo
- 12/17 David Jorgensen
- 12/22 Pat Kummer
- 12/24 Danny Morris
- 12/26 Loma Rhynard
- 12/27 Nancy Hawkins
- 12/31 John Fingerlin



Current Membership

75 paid members/families.

Members Present at the November Meeting

50 members in attendance (Election/Movie Night at the Governor's Ranch Clubhouse).

— Final 2008 Event —

December 7: DMC Christmas Party @ Red Rocks CC

Check out the DMC website for the complete calendar and event details for 2009!



Founded in 1965, the Denver Mustang Club is the oldest Mustang club in Colorado.

Club activities include car shows, swap meets, picnics, autocross events, drag racing, the Rocky Mountain Mustang Roundup and our own annual Wild West Auto Fest car show each September, featuring a large display of all types of vehicles — cars, trucks, and motorcycles.

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