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CVMC News



CVMC Time to Renew Your Membership

Hey CVMC! It's time to remind everyone about renewing your membership with the Central Virginia Mustang Club. Membership is still only \$25.00 for the year and renewing now will cover your membership through December 2013. If you need to update any of your personal information you can go online to our website and get a membership form. Just send that in with your \$25.00 and I'll send you an updated membership card.

Thanks!

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CVMC Race Tickets For Sale Richmond International Raceway April 27, 2012

CVMC has the Spring NASCAR race tickets for April 27, 2013, For Sale now. Get them while you can. The club has 10 seats available in the Sprint Stands, Section E, Row 20. The price is \$85.00 per ticket. They are **EXCELLENT SEATS**. First come first served. Call **Ron Martin** and put your order in. 347-8701

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Scott Byer Richmond International Raceway

Scott Byer with Richmond International Raceway will be attending our February Monthly Meeting. He will be talking about an exciting event that will be taking place at the "Toyota Owners 400" race at RIR on April 27, 2013.

Be sure to attend our Monthly Meeting on February 6, 2013, to see Scott. See you then!

Article by Tony Hall



CVMC 8th Annual Central Virginia April Car Show April 20, 2012

- Show Date: Saturday April 20, 2013
- Rain Date: May 4, 2013
- Time: 9AM to 4 PM
- Location: Westchester Commons Westchester Commons Way Richmond (Midlothian), Virginia. Located at the NW Corner of Rt. 288 and Midlothian Tpk., In front of

Regal Westchester Commons Cinema.

Come and join us for the best Car Show in Virginia. Second year at this great location. See and/or display your antique, classic, muscle car or truck. All car and truck makes welcome to participate. Participants will be displaying cars from all over Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland and beyond. Popular Vote awards include Top 15 pre 1974, Top 15 1974 to the present, best of show for General Motors, Chrysler Corp., Ford Motor Co., Import and Truck. Dash Plaques are awarded to the first 75 participants.

New this year is a Club Participation Award that will go to the Car Club with the most car entries. The car show benefits the Wounded Warriors Project.

Show highlights include: A Nationwide Stock Car Display, Stock Car Simulator, Kids Activates and on-site food vendors.

Event hours are 9:00AM to 4:00PM with check-in running 9:00AM to 2:00PM. Registration and vendor fee day of the show is \$25.00. The non-refundable pre-registration fee is \$20.00 and must be post marked by April 10, 2011. Pre-Registration forms and show fee should be sent to: April Car Show Pre Registration, P.O. Box 25158, Richmond, VA 23260.

Show will take place at: Westchester Commons; Westchester Commons Way, Midlothian, VA. 23113. Westchester Commons is conveniently located at the Northwest Corner of Route 288 and Route 60 Midlothian Turnpike (in front of Regal Westchester Commons Cinema) in Richmond, Virginia.

For more information, call George at 804-658-8173, Dave at 804-937-2495 or Ron at 804-347-8701; or email: springshow@centralvamustang.com You can also visit the April Car Show website at

www.CentralVAMustang.com

Article by George Bobrovsky

Photo by Tony Hall



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CVMC At The National Memorial Day Parade Washington D.C. May 27, 2013

May 27, 2013 – Monday, Time
– Start Time 2:00 PM (tentative)
Are you ready to honor our veterans?

Come out and participate in a
nationally recognized parade! Parades
don't get any bigger than this one!
Who knows, you may be on national
television, we've been on the Military
and Pentagon Channel.

We have about 8-12 slots for all
Mustang body styles that are willing to
let a veteran or even parade marshall
sit in the back seat of your convertible.

We'll leave on Monday morning
and meet at the Travel Center of
America at I-95 and Lewistown Rd.
Time TBD.

[http://www.tatravelcenters.com/location-
details/ta-richmond](http://www.tatravelcenters.com/location-details/ta-richmond)

To sign up, please contact
Kathy McWilliams. Specific time and
meeting location information are
forthcoming and will be communicated
to all participants.

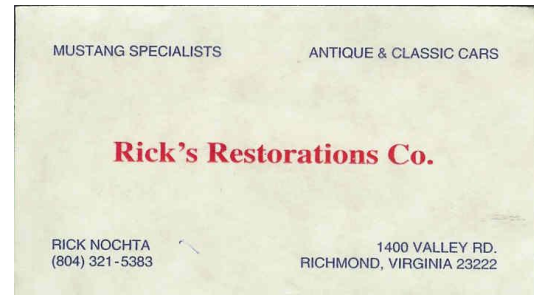
The official parade website is:
National Memorial Day Parade

*I HOPE YOU CAN COME OUT
AND CELEBRATE OUR VETERANS!!!*

Kathy McWilliams

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*Rick Nohta has been restoring
Mustangs since 1985. To better serve
the Mustang hobbyist, Rick became a
MCA certified and gold card judge for
65-70 Shelys and Shelby American
Automobile Club (SAAC) 1965 Shelby
Head Judge. SAAC asked Rick to
rewrite the 65-66 Shelby judging rules
which are used today. For all your
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CVMC Cruise In's for 2013

COME ON AND GO ON A CRUISE OR A CRUISE IN.

Your Cruise committee tries to
schedule a monthly event in the
months of April thru December. We
know everyone can't go to all of the
events for various reasons. That is
why we try to have at least one per
month so everyone can get to one or
more. For those of you that have been
on previous events, I believe we have
had a lot of fun. Come out and meet
fellow club members and their
families. Meet members of other car
clubs. Get valuable information about
Ford Mustangs and other Ford models
.Our charity Cruise-In to McGuire
Veterans Hospital last fall was a
wonderful event. To see the smiles on
the veterans faces looking at the cars
was priceless. There is a lot of
volunteer time and hours that go into
planning and coordinating these

events. So bring the family out to a Cruise- In picnic or any of these fun filled events. If you have an event you would like to suggest, let your Cruise Committee know your thoughts on it . We will try to make it happen if at all possible.

PROPOSED CRUISE SCHEDULE FOR 2013

- **APRIL** – Spring Car Show - at Westchester Mall April 20, 2013
- **MAY** - Smithfield Car Show; May 18, 2013; Memorial Day Cruise to Washington D.C. – May 27, 2013; Crossroads Ford Customer Appreciation Day – Date to be Determined
- **JUNE** - Richmond Ford Cruise In - Date to be Determined; Flag Day – June 14, 2013; Event To Be Determined
- **JULY** - Wounded Warriors High Five Tour – Date to be Determined
- **AUGUST** – Multi-Car Club Picnic, Fredericksburg, VA – Date to be Determined
- **SEPTEMBER** - CVMC Fall Car Show at Bass Pro Shop, Ashland, VA; September 21, 2013
- **OCTOBER** – Fall Leaf Cruise – Date And Route to be Determined
- **NOVEMBER** – Open For Local Cruise-Ins
- **DECEMBER** – Toys-For-Tots - Date To Be Determined

CVMC Cruise Committee:
Ray Louth, Mark Abrams and Tommy Wilson



29th Annual Mustang and Ford Show Update September 21, 2013

- Location: Bass Pro Shops, 11550 Lakeridge Parkway, Ashland, VA
- Vehicle Limit: 175 cars
- Show Planning Meetings: Monthly at the end of each club meeting, the first Wednesday of each month, more often as we get closer to September
- Show Chairperson: Kathy McWilliams

We have our first major sponsor, Mustang Don! A big thanks to Tony to for making this happen! Check out Mustang Don's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/mustangdons?fref=ts> or go to our website and see Mustang Don's log on the right. We also have our first vendor booked, Cherry Hill Ice Cream!

We are hard at work in the early planning stages to improve some of the bumps we had last year.

- On Jan 19th, we had our second meeting with Bass Pro Shops since the 2012 Fall Show. We discussed some exciting changes to the show field layout to improve pedestrian safety and we hope to finalize the layout at our next meeting in April.
- We are also tossing around some creative ideas to take the partnership between CVMC and

- Bass Pro Shops to a whole new level.
- Another area of improvement, the ramps to get display vehicles into the grassy areas. I enlisted the assistance of my husband, JC to manufacturer wider ramps with a frame to support each ramp. We plan to test them to ensure low height vehicles can safely get up the curb.

Kathy McWilliams

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Richmond MCA National Update

CVMC is looking for a New MCA National Show Chairman. Anyone who may be interested please contact...

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CVMC Merchandise

CVMC now has CVMC Logo Car Magnets for sale at \$17.00 apiece.



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CVMC Is Now On Facebook & Twitter

CVMC now has a Fan Page on Facebook. To follow us on Facebook just type Central Virginia Mustang Club in the search and become a Fan.

You can also follow CVMC on Twitter. Type CentralVAMust in the find on Twitter. Hope you will follow us with your computer, laptop or smart phone!

Article by Tony Hall

CVMC January Monthly Meeting Minutes

By Michelle Jordan

Michelle Jordan, Secretary, called the meeting to order at 7:30. The meeting was held at the Holiday Inn Crossroads on Staples Mill Rd.

Items Covered

Welcome New Members & Visitors:

We had a number of new members and visitors joining the group. We welcome them all and look forward to having them in the club.

Old Member News: The McGraths added a convertible Cobra to their collection last month.

Treasurers Report: Ron Martin provided a detailed report on the income and expenses for December.

Membership Report: No report for this month.

Vice President Election: Larry Noble has made the decision to step down as VP for personal reasons. The club was asked to fill the position, and Kathy McWilliams was voted in as his replacement. Kathy will fill the role until the end of the term in December of this year. This leaves a vacant director position which will be

discussed in further detail at the next general meeting.

MCA Report: Please see Dave's article in the newsletter for a full report on MCA. A reminder that there are two National shows next year on the East Coast. July 5-7 in Asheville, NC, and 8/31-9/2 in Orlando, FL.

Parade Report: Kathy McWilliams has put out the details of the Memorial Day Parade in DC. Please see the newsletter or Kathy for details.

Christmas Party: Our party was held December 15th here at the Holiday Inn. We had a large group in attendance and a good time was had by all.

Website/Facebook: Rusty had nothing to report on progress with the website. Kathy McWilliams continues to update our info on the website and Facebook page.

Spring Show Update: George Bobrovsky gave an update on the Spring Show, being held April 20th at Westchester Commons. He is looking for numerous volunteers to work the show and can be contacted for further details.

Fall Show Update: Kathy McWilliams spoke on the Fall Show, being held at Bass Pro on September 21st. We are expanding the entries to 175 cars. Please see Kathy if you would like to help out at the show.

Cruise Ins: Please see any Cruise Committee member if you have any ideas or suggestions for future cruises. If you have not yet responded to the email from them regarding proposed activities, please try and do so. They value everyone's input.

Merchandise Report: George Godsey has flags, hats and shirts, and he also has door magnets for sale. He can also now get nametags for any club member. Please see George if you have a specific order or request.

Open Agenda: The next meeting of the Board of Directors is being held on Tuesday, January 15th, 7:30pm, at the Shoney's, Virginia Center location. All board members are requested to attend and any club member is welcome to join the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm by Michelle Jordan.

CVMC January Director's Meeting Minutes

By Michelle Jordan

Tony Hall, President, called the meeting to order at 7:31. The meeting was held at the Shoney's at Virginia Center Commons.

Board members in attendance: Tony Hall, Ron Martin, Michelle Jordan, Dave Dickey, Laura Pegram, David Lythgoe, Militza Simic, Rusty Wiseman, Johnny McGrath, Kathy McWilliams, Mike Peyton, Llew Stakes, Ray Louth, Tommy Wilson, Gordon Martin, and Mark Abrams.

Guests: Joan McGrath, Betty Wiseman, and Marsha Stakes.

Club Enthusiasm: We need to get the Membership enthused about the events we hold and get participation to increase. Every Officer and Director needs to encourage the membership to participate. Also, every Officer and Director needs to encourage the membership to recruit new members and invite old members that have left the club to re-join.

By-Law Changes: A discussion was held regarding several changes to the by-laws. At the February general meeting, all changes will be proposed to the membership and put to a vote for ratification.

Financial Audit: A proposal was made to have an audit performed on the CVMC books. It was determined that Gordon Martin will present his annual review of the books to the club which he performs as part of our package that goes to the Department of Agriculture each year.

Website: Rusty moved the website in December. Currently the photo & forum sections are unavailable. Kathy is working on our online registration for membership and events.

Membership: Laura and Gordon will be working to set up tables at local dealerships throughout the year to help promote the club and will welcome help from other volunteers.

New Post Office Box: A new PO Box has been secured for the club. The new address is PO Box 25158, Richmond, VA 23260.

Checking Account: It has been determined that the club does have access to its account on line. It was agreed that the President and the Treasurer should both have access.

Parades: Llew will present any new parades to the club as they come up.

Cruise Ins: A list of activities for the year was presented to the BOD and will also be presented to the membership at the next general meeting.

2013 Fall Show: Kathy McWilliams is now recruiting for volunteers for the Fall Show. Progress is being made with Bass Pro and we are on track.

Open Agenda: Gordon proposed that this year's club picnic should be held at a public picnic facility. He will look in to possibilities and report back to the club.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01. Next board meeting: March 12, 2013, 7:30 p.m.



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Thanks for Contributing To The Galloping Gazette

I would like to take a minute to thank everyone who has contributed to the Galloping Gazette and let everyone know that if you have an article that you wrote on anything CVMC, Mustang

and or Ford related please send it to me to be used in the newsletter.

Ideas for articles are but not limited to the following... Club Functions; Car Shows that you attended; Parades; Restoration Projects; Modification's; Unique Mustang's and or Ford's; Unique people connected with Mustang's and or Ford's; etc... Please include any pictures.

Be sure to send your articles to.

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If you would like to advertise your Mustang or Ford related items "For Sale" or "Wanted" be sure to write them like you would see them in a newspaper and send your classifieds to...

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News From The Blue Oval



Ford Atlas Concept Hauls Away Autoweek Magazine's Most Significant Vehicle Award

- Ford Atlas Concept is named Most Significant vehicle of the 2013 North American International Auto Show (NAIAS) by the writers of

*Autoweek Magazine and
autoweek.com*

- *Ford Atlas Concept showcases the design, capability, fuel efficiency and smart technologies that will define future pickup trucks*
- *For the sixth year in a row, Ford vehicles on display at NAIAS have garnered Autoweek award recognition*

DEARBORN, Mich., Jan. 17, 2013 – The Ford Atlas Concept, a bold vision for the future of pickups, has been named Autoweek Magazine's Most Significant vehicle of the 2013 North American International Auto Show (NAIAS).

"The Atlas Concept is clearly Most Significant winner for the things you don't see, like hidden aerodynamic improvements and weight savings from high-strength steel and interior parts, like thinner seats," said Bob Gritzinger, Autoweek executive editor. "Those things add up to significant fuel savings for pickup trucks down the road. A next-generation EcoBoost® with Auto Start-Stop technology also signals why Atlas is a real game changer."



The Ford Atlas Concept made its worldwide debut at NAIAS on Tuesday, Jan. 15. A design and engineering study inspired by decades of listening to customers in the places where they work and play, the concept has tomorrow's pickup buyers in mind.

Breakthrough features include active aerodynamic elements in the grille, front air dam and wheels that reduce wind resistance to save gas. Truck-specific features that improve capability, durability and productivity

include a Dual-Purpose Tailgate Step that integrates with a roof cradle to become a rack for long objects like ladders, Hidden Cargo Ramps to load ATVs and motorcycles, Trailer Backup Assist to enable accurate reversing with a trailer via the simple twist of a knob, and more.

"We are thrilled by the enthusiastic response to the Ford Atlas Concept," said Raj Nair, Ford group vice president for Global Product Development. "This award from Autoweek – plus overwhelming positive reaction from news media and across social channels alike – confirms Ford is the recognized thought leader in trucks, in addition to our position as truck sales leader for 36 years."



This is the sixth year in a row Autoweek has honored Ford with one of its North American International Auto Show Editors' Choice Awards:

- 2012: 2013 Ford Fusion named Best in Show
- 2011: Ford Vertrek Concept named Best Concept
- 2010: Next-generation Ford Focus named Most Significant
- 2009: 2010 Ford Taurus named Most Significant and 2010 Ford Shelby GT500 named Most Fun
- 2008: 2009 Ford F-150 named Most Significant

Article & Photos by Ford Motor Company



Near Perfection In BMW Performance 200

For the second consecutive year the Roush Performance No. 61 Mustang Boss 302R, piloted by Billy Johnson and Jack Roush Jr., was in Victory Lane at Daytona.

Going into the Jan. 25 Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge BMW Performance 200, the spotlight shined brightest on an armada of Aston Martin Vantages. The cars, mostly in livery of Multimatic Motorsports, had dominated Roar Before the 24 testing earlier in the month.

But – really, to no one's surprise – it was Roush Performance's No. 61 Mustang Boss 302R that went to Victory Lane for the second consecutive year. Veteran pilots Billy Johnson and Jack Roush Jr. – the latter making his return to the series after breaking his wrist in an incident last September at Mazda Laguna Seca Raceway – led 29 of the 62 laps around the 12-turn, 3.56-mile speedway road course.

Roush Jr., who has driven to eight GS victories with Johnson, was pleased to be back in the seat – especially with his father, Jack Roush, watching from pit road.

"It's so great for him to have a chance to be here considering how busy his schedule is," said Roush Jr.

"It is a big deal given what he's accomplished here and to have this victory. There's a lot of internal pressure to win and perform. Bringing home a win is exactly what we shoot for."

The team recovered from an early race flat tire with Johnson finally reaching the lead on the 33rd lap.

"I was trying pretty darn hard the last few laps," said Johnson. "Those Astons and Porsches were pretty quick."

Rum Bum Racing's No. 13 Porsche 997, helmed by Matt Plumb and Nick Longhi ran second with Multimatic's Nos. 15 and 16 Aston Martins of GS champions John Farano/David Empringham and Nick Mancuso/Frank Montecalvo occupying third and fourth. With CKS Autosport's No. 01 Camaro GS.R of Eric Curran-/Lawson Aschenbach taking fifth, it appears at least four manufacturers are early contenders for the 2013 championship. Each automaker enjoyed at least one lap at the head of the GS field.

The Street Tuner portion of the race was a coming out party for Nissan, which had introduced its Altima Coupe to the class a year ago with mixed results. What the automaker and Skullcandy Team Nissan learned and applied to this year's effort more than paid dividends as Lara Tallman and Vesko Kozarov drove the No. 33 car to victory. The team's second entry, co-driven by Chris Lock and Tim McIntosh, placed ninth for good measure.



The victory is the first in CTSCC for Tallman and Kozarov. Tallman, a mother of two sons from Salt Lake

City, became the series' first female race winner since 2011.

"Winning at Daytona is simply awesome. There's no feeling in the world like being on the banks," said Tallman, whose best finish a year ago was a seventh – with Kozarov – at Watkins Glen International. "We've worked tremendously hard to build this team and the Altima coupes but we needed a win to establish ourselves as serious competitors.

"We knew we were capable but that's not always enough in racing. It all just came together – perfectly."

As in GS, three different brands scored finishes in the top three. Tyler Cooke and Greg Liefoghe finished second in the No. 81 BimmerWorld Racing BMW 328i with Kyle Gimple and Ryan Eversley third in the No. 75 Compass360 Racing Honda Civic Si.

**Article & Photos from
Grand AM Racing**

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MCA News February 2013

*We finally received our 6th
Prestigious President's Award and it is
proudly displayed on our club webpage
for all to see. The active participation
you have given to our activities has
made this award, in the eyes of MCA
officers and directors, possible. This
award recognizes our club as a very
active club by sponsoring and
supporting car shows, participating in
local benefits, cruise-ins, national
parades, along with other activities. It
also recognizes our members for
taking the time to study and pass the
tests required to become MCA certified
judges and then volunteering to judge
at MCA shows to earn their Gold cards.
This is the reason I try to keep track of
our MCA members who attend National
and Grand National shows. The award
along with the application submitted to
MCA will be on the table for you to*

*view. I have been asked by several
MCA executive officers "when are we
going to apply to host an MCA National
show."*

*I am required to submit a copy
of our club roster listing only our
Officers, Directors and any MCA
member, with membership numbers,
to MCA Headquarters by the end of
this month. There will be a clip board
on the table which I need for you to
update your MCA membership number
and expiration date. Your names are in
alphabetic order. If your name is not
listed, please add it to the bottom with
all the requested information.*

*All MCA shows for 2013 were
listed in CVMC's Forums website and
on our Face Book website under
Forums.*

*The MCA club membership
incentive drive for each new member
has been reinstated. I have the forms
for you to take advantage of this offer
and help our club.*

*If you are planning on
attending any of the two 50th Mustang
anniversary celebrations in 2014, one
in Las Vegas, Nevada and the other in
Charlotte, N. Carolina I would like to
give you a **heads up** on the
advantages to becoming a member of
MCA:*

- Every Mustang entering any of
the celebrations will be
awarded a Mustang 50th award.
Those awards are not MCA
awards. They are only Mustang
50th Birthday Celebration
awards.*
- MCA award winning Mustangs,
including Gold, Silver, Bronze,
1st, 2nd, 3rd and Conservators
classes **are special** and will
also be awarded an **MCA**
Mustang 50th award in
addition to the other. The
award they earn will be the
highest award that these
Mustangs have earned during
the 2012 and 2013 MCA show
season. The reasoning is that
these Mustangs have already
been judged by the MCA judges
and, in the judge's eyes, do not*

need to be judged again for the 50th Celebration. The judges do not need to spend their time going through the process again and can now enjoy the birthday celebration. However some judges may walk through the show to make sure the Mustangs are being displayed as they were when they received their award.

By joining MCA now, having your Mustang judged and possibly winning an award at one of their shows would enable you to receive one or two coveted 50th Birthday awards. Mustang Times magazine is included with your membership and is only available to MCA members. See me during the break.

Mustang Times is a terrific magazine with lots of excellent articles and ideas on how to fix or repair all year models, superb pictures and first-rate stories on new and old models, many parts vendors and usually a page on new products and hard to get remanufactured parts. There are also discounts from other Mustang suppliers such as Classic Design Concepts.

Check our newsletter, club and facebook websites for upcoming parades, shows and cruise-ins in the Richmond metro region.

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CVMC - MCA Gold Card Judges

1964½-1966: Don Lane

1967-1968: Dave Dickey

1965-1970 Shelby's: Rick Nochta

CVMC - MCA Certified Judges

1964-66: Rick Nochta

1966: Karen Lane

5th Generation: Tony Hall, Dave Dickey, David Lythgoe, Michelle Jordon & Dave Thomas



News from the Car Club Council

The General Assembly is in session and we are watching the bills that could affect the car hobby. All bills that pertain to vehicles are posted on the Virginia Association of Car Councils website at

<http://vaacc.org/legis1.html>. I suggest you take a look at all the bills in the Assembly as there are always bills that will affect you in some way. Just go to <http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?131+men+BIL> and click on All Legislation. I can assure you that among the nearly 3000 pieces of legislation you will find several that will in some way affect your life if they become law.

Vehicle legislation this session is concerned with cell phone use while driving, penalties for multiple DUI offenses, a few special license plates, one plate bills and how to pay for road building and maintenance. There are many bills in many different transportation areas but these are the major ones.

There are many bills on cell phone use and texting while driving. Some even make it a primary offense which means a police officer can stop and charge you if seen calling or texting from a phone while driving. At the time of this writing the bills are in committee.

There are several bills that increase the penalty for multiple DUI's. As has been done for many years the penalty for conviction of a DUI or multiple DUI convictions is under consideration to be increased, in some cases to a mandatory prison term.

There are a few special license plate bills. Fewer of these bills are being introduced each year. The state

currently has well over 200 special license plates plus vanity plates so the market for special plates may be getting saturated.

The session began with four one license plate bills. Then the three carried over from the last session were killed and SB 771 sponsored by Senator Wagner was withdrawn. The State Police, some local police administrators and the Department of Corrections (makes plates and will lose money with one plate) were against SB 771. The members of the Senate Transportation Committee have gotten hundreds of emails, calls and letters from citizens that want the one plate bill to pass. Apparently the voices of the few against the bill – all public employees, were greater than those of many citizens. The state would have gained about \$2 million in additional money if the one plate bill became law. The savings is from charging the same fee for one plate that is charged for two plates currently.

There are several bills in the Assembly that deal with funding road maintenance and construction. There are bills to prevent tolls being placed on I-95 and other roads. There are bills that would increase the gasoline tax using different methods. There is the governor's plan to get rid of the gasoline tax and replace it with a higher sales tax, higher vehicle registration fees and some other changes. It will be interesting to see what is decided. Many states are trying to find ways to fund roads. The combination of a poor economy and vehicles getting greater gas mileage have led to less money generated from the gas tax. This has led to some really strange ideas on how to fund roads. Six states are looking at monitoring the miles driven by vehicles, charging for those miles and sending a bill to be paid every month or two. A device in your car would track your miles driven. As you can imagine this isn't going over very well with the public.

Delegate Sickles put in a bill that we pushed last year; it passed and ended up being vetoed by the

governor. This year the same legislation is in HB 1990. The aim of the bill is to fine people \$250 who live in Virginia but register their vehicle in Maryland to avoid the higher personal property tax in Virginia. The part of the bill car hobbyists like is the removal of a possible \$100 fine for storing a vehicle for parts or a project. It reads "Nothing in this section shall be applicable to motor vehicles that are stored on private property for the purpose of restoration or repair or for removing parts for the repair of another vehicle." That line would remove any fine for the storage of vehicles. The bill is currently in committee.

I have sent out some notices about the one plate bill. The councils will continue to monitor legislation in the General Assembly and inform car hobbyists of anything of importance.

**CCCCV President
Fred Fann**

Upcoming Car Shows

MCA Events

For more information on other MCA Car Shows and Events please visit the Mustang Club of America's website at...
[Mustang Club Of America](http://www.mustangclubofamerica.com)

Non-MCA Events

February 8th to the 10th, 2013 51st Annual Rods & Customs Car Show

Presented by Asphalt Angels Car Club. The East Coasts Biggest & Largest Indoor Rod & Custom Show is known up & down the Coast for its Unique and Unusal Trophies and Laid Back Atmosphere. The Location is "The Showplace Exhibition Center" 3000 Mechanicsville Turnpike, Richmond, Va. 23223. Info: Phone Number: 804.225.8877 or check their web site
www.asphaltangels.net

March 30th, 2013
Virginia Classic Cruisers 17th
Annual Open Car Show

From 9:00AM to 4:00PM at Southside Nazarene Church (Route 288 and Courthouse Road), Chesterfield, Virginia. Call Anita Palmore at 804-598-2311 with any questions. Visit our website at www.vaclassiccruisers.com for more detailed information as it becomes available.

For more information on other Area Car Shows and Events please visit the Car Club Council of Central Virginia website at...

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