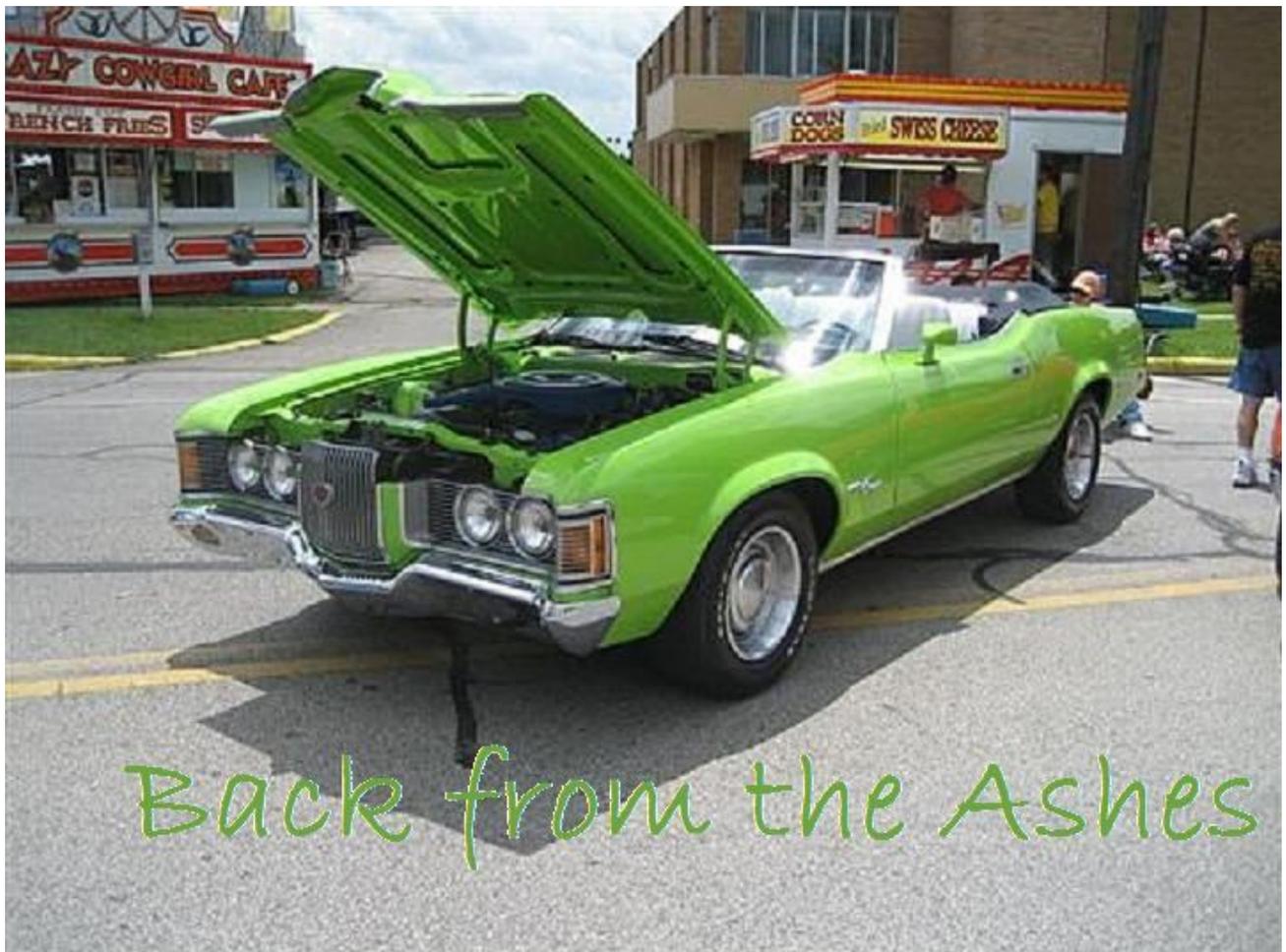


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Our next issue is planned for October 2009. Please send your submissions no later than **September 28**.

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Dedicated to the appreciation and preservation of the Mercury Cougar.

Temporary

Letter from the Editor

Rob Merritt, CCOA # 8323.
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In the last edition of *At the Sign of the Cat*, we featured Marshall Long's XR7-G. We were saddened to learn that Marshall died on Monday, April 6, 2009 at the age of 71. Our condolences go out to his dear wife Sally, family and friends. Memorials may be made to Christian Family Services (www.cfserve.org) or Annie's Hope (www.annieshope.org).

Only one member took the bait for nominating the best Cougar ever. David, from Prescott Valley, Arizona put in his vote for the 1969 Boss 429 Cougars raced by "Fast Eddie" Schartman and "Dyno Don" Nicholson. Says David, "Should I ever be fortunate enough to have a bank account with 7 figures in it, the first order of business would be to track these two beauties down and buy both. Sort of a 'his and hers' deal."

Ken Gucker (#2447) wrote about these cars in the Summer 1995 *ATSOTC*, explaining that the cars were originally manufactured as R-code, 428 Ram-air CobraJet standard coupes. Kar-Kraft then modified the cars to accept the Boss 429 engines. Sometimes hard to tell truth from fiction on the internet, but it seems that both cars have been found – so start saving your pennies, David. Maybe someone with the facts can send in an up-to-date article on these Cougar legends for a future edition of the newsletter (hint, hint).

This edition of *ATSOTC* includes announcements of some gatherings scheduled for later in the month. Hopefully, this edition reaches everyone in time to get to the shows. Note to self (and future editors), probably should shoot for June instead of July for the summer edition. For the most up-to-date listing of Cougar events, check out the CCOA web page at www.cougarclub.org and look under the "Special Events" headline. If you are hosting an event, let us know and we'll add it to the website and newsletter.

Meeting other Cougar owners and seeing their hard work and passion is what the hobby is all about. So, get out of your garage and meet the great Cougar people!

Returning to this issue are the Classified Ads. Only two ads so far, but we're sure this will grow. Members may place a Cougar-related classified advertisement of up to 100 words per issue at no charge. Non-members may place classified ads at a rate of 10 cents per word.

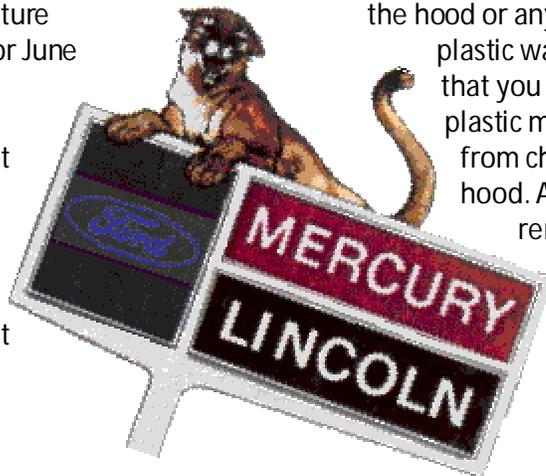
Do you have a Cougar-related business? Members who offer Cougar products or services can also advertise in this newsletter. Contact Kamran Waheed for details.

Coming Soon...

Dick Hertzler (#32) will take your questions. Dick is the CCOA's technical advisor and author of "*Once around the Cat*" and the follow-up article, "*Once more around the Cat*." Dick is ready to start fielding technical questions from Members. He prefers questions sent via email to tech@cougarclub.org. Please include your member number when sending a question. If you don't have email, you can mail the questions to me (address on Club Contacts page), and I'll see they get to Dick. Dick's answers will be published in upcoming issues.

To whet your appetite, here's a Tech Tip that Bill Quay (#1515) shared with me when I mentioned I would soon start reassembling a freshly painted car. "Just a small idea that I picked up over the years. Before you install the hood or anything that needs adjusted, cut yourself plastic washers to go under the head of the bolt that you are going to use. I cut mine out of an old plastic milk carton. This will prevent the paint from chipping while you are trying to align the hood. After all is tight and straight, you can remove them one at a time. Have fun."

Bill's closing words – "Have fun" – is the best tech tip I've heard in years.



A VIEW FROM THE CHAIR

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Greetings fellow Cougar enthusiasts.

A lot has changed with the CCOA management team since I took over the reins. When I agreed to take on the Chair position the Vice-Chair position was vacant. I would like to thank Bill Quay for being willing to take on this job. Bill has held this position before and is well qualified to help the CCOA with its move into the 21st century.

I would like to thank Michael Hoehn for his years of service as our treasurer. Michael has stepped down and we wish him the best. Greg Fritz of Ramsey MN has stepped up to the plate to take on this very important position.

Beverly Pike spent many years as our Membership Director. Keeping track of the membership roster is no small task. Thank you Beverly for your years of service. Rob Merritt of Duluth MN is now handling this job.

When Scott Ferguson stepped down as Chairman he asked to be placed in the position of Club Services Director. The person in this position is responsible for communication and coordinating with the many regional/local Cougar clubs. Scott has since resigned from this position and it remains vacant. Anyone with an interest in taking on this position please contact Chris Boback at volunteer@cougarclub.org.

Dan Houde, what can I say about Dan? As CCOA editor/publisher he really raised the bar taking our newsletter right up to magazine quality. Dan's issues are true collector pieces. In an effort to get the CCOA back on track our Membership Director Rob Merritt is serving as our temporary editor/publisher. We are in need of someone, or two people, to take on the jobs of editor and publisher. Interested? Contact Chris Boback at volunteer@cougarclub.org.

This brings us to Chris Boback. As we were working to bring the CCOA back we found that each of us were receiving contact information from many people interested in helping out, some in a small way, some a big way. In an effort to keep all this information straight we created the position of Volunteer Coordinator. Chris

has agreed to take on this position. Anyone interested in helping out, small or large, please contact Chris.

One of the few people who have been with the CCOA since the very beginning is Barrie Dixon of England. For many years Barrie held the position of International Manager. Barrie has resigned from this position and Tim Glover of England is now handling this job.

Bill Bailey spent many years advising the club on legal matters. Bill's interests have changed and he has resigned. Jody Heil of Berlin WI is now offering his legal expertise to the club as needed.

On behalf of the club I would like to offer a great big thank you to all those who have served this club in any capacity. I would also like to thank all those on the current team for their willingness to help move the club forward. For those still sitting on the sidelines and willing to help please contact Chris Boback. Any and all help is appreciated.

Til next time keep those cats purring.

A WORD FROM THE ASSISTANT EDITOR

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I would like to congratulate Rob Merritt doing a great job on his first issue of *ATSOTC*; it really looks wonderful. Thank you Rob for all of your hard work!!

Although Rob is doing a great job as temporary editor, we are still in need of a permanent editor for *ATSOTC*. Don't be shy, I know that we have members out there who can take the reins and do a great job as editor of *ATSOTC*. We would like to fill this position as soon as possible, so if you are interested in this position please contact our volunteer coordinator, Chris Boback at: volunteer@cougarclub.org We hope to hear from you soon!!

I hope all of you are enjoying the 2009 show season so far. Remember, these shows are put together for our enjoyment as well as an opportunity for the general public to see some nice Cats too. So, get to as many shows as you can and enjoy your Cougar(s)!

I hope each of you have a great summer and enjoy your Cat(s). Until next time, keep those Cougars safe and running strong.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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Greetings fellow Cougar enthusiasts!

The list of 185 new members published in the last edition of *At the Sign of the Cat* apparently caused some confusion. Several folks called wondering why they weren't listed. The answer was simply, "you're not a new member." Apparently, the length of the list caused people to think that was the *entire* membership list. Fear not, if you received the newsletter from us, either by mail or email, you are on the list. If you received the newsletter from a friend or read it on the web site, you can join the CCOA to ensure getting the newsletter as it is sent to members.

So, this begs the question: just how many Members are there? Where are they from? As I review the Membership roster, we have just shy of 1,000 members. The majority are located in the U.S. with every state (except Alaska) represented. We even have a member in Puerto Rico. The top five states for Members are: California, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan and New York. International members hail from Australia, Canada, Denmark, England, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, The Netherlands, and United Kingdom. Members own everything from the 1967 standard coupe to the 35th Anniversary 2002 XR-7. Many members own multiple cars, including one member who has amassed a remarkable 41 Cougar collection.

If you know someone who enjoys Cougars, but who isn't a CCOA member, feel free to share this newsletter with them or invite them to see the web site at www.cougarclub.org. Joining the CCOA can be accomplished on line at www.cougarclub.org/about/membership.aspx or by regular mail to my address listed on the Club Contacts page.



EMAIL INITIATIVE

Remember to send us your email address. The CCOA is trying to take advantage of electronic means of communication. If you are reading this on paper and have an email address, please let me know by sending a short message to membership@cougarclub.org. Reaction to the electronic form of the last *ATSOTC* has been almost unanimously favorable. Not only do you get full color, you also get it a little sooner than by postal carrier. So far, we have email addresses for just over 60% of the membership. If you don't have email or internet access, don't worry. We plan to continue the paper version of the newsletter.

DUDE! WHERE'S MY RENEWAL?

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the Board decided that anyone who has paid dues since January 1, 2006 will be considered a member in good standing. Some members chose to send in renewals anyway, and all we can say is "thanks!" We'll probably start sending renewal notices later this year – starting with those who last paid in 2006. We hope you'll continue to support the Cougar Club of America.

NEW MEMBERS

Joining the Club since the last *ATSOTC*, are the following new Members:

THOMAS GUGEL	CALGARY AB
JAMES SA'NCHEZ	CORONA CA
BEN BROWN	AURORA IL
MARK ROSE	SOMERSET MA
BOB SOBOSIK	POINT PLEASANT NJ
RUTH BROCK	WESTTOWN NY
MATT HELMER	NEWPORT NY
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RAY DEVLIN	RED HILL PA
D. JORDAN BERSON	AUSTIN TX
JODY HEIL	BERLIN WI
PAUL WATSON	LONDON England

Welcome to the new members!

BACK FROM THE ASHES (LITERALLY).

Paul & Sandy deWit (#8922)

Painesville Twp., Ohio

My wife and I started looking for a convertible to restore for her when we came across a 1971 Mercury Cougar XR-7 that was in a barn fire. It had been listed on eBay in 2006 and didn't sell. It was 4 hours down the road so my son and I took a road trip and looked it over. The under carriage and front frame rails were almost brand new. The body was straight. The engine compartment had some rust, but didn't look too bad. We brought it home and the true task was finding a body man willing to take on the job. After talking to six places, a local shop school teacher told us of a guy. After seeing the car, he was willing to work on the car.



We stripped the car down and hauled it over to him. We found out the motor compartment was worse than expected and he had to replace all 4 inner fender aprons. The shock towers were okay to leave in place. He cut out and welded in new radiator core support also one door had a thin spot on it. He ended up cutting off from the lower line down and welding in a new piece. After that he sanded the whole car down and discovered it was a non-molested car - no previous body work whatsoever had been done, other than what we were currently doing.



We had bought another car earlier off eBay out of Florida (which didn't meet our expectations) but it had everything we needed for the interior, wiring, convertible top rack motor and lines, as well as trim and chrome.

The specifications on the car are: 1971 Mercury Cougar XR-7 Convertible with 351 Cleveland 2 Barrel carburetor, FMX Transmission and 2.75 rear gear. The exterior paint is 2007 Dodge Daytona simplicity green with a black convertible top. Interior is black with white seats. Credit for paint and body work goes to Thomas Body & Paint, Perry, Ohio, owned by Denny Thomas (440) 662-2053. Chrome was done by Better Bumper of Cleveland, Ohio. The top and panels were obtained from North Coast Mustang, Willoughby, Ohio.

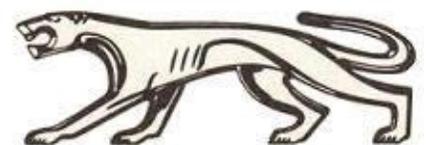
The original plan was to paint it the original colors which was triple-black. Black paint. Black top. Black interior. Sandy, though, wanted a white top. I told her it would end up looking like a local police car. That was enough prompting to change to plan. After looking at a few colors she settled on the green and even painted the engine compartment green.

After 8 months in the body shop and 5 months in the garage we took it on the maiden voyage.



A lot of work getting her back from the ashes.

Now we let her shine!



Specialty Registry Updates

68 428 "R" CODE NON-GTE REGISTRY

Bill Quay #1515

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Since my last report, we have added 15 more 428CJ cougars to this list, one of these is an original owner car. At least it used to be. He sold it years ago yet still has the original Window Sticker and Bill of Sale. Although now in the Registry, the whereabouts of this car is unknown. Of the 58 cars that we have accounted for, nine of them have been Parted and Scrapped. Four more have been verified, but their whereabouts are unknown, leaving only 45 of these rare Cougars still on the road today. If you happen to come across one of these "R" Code Cougars and are contemplating a purchase, or would just like to help us in our search to document these cars, please contact me so that I may verify that the car is truly a 428 "R" Code, and not something that someone has made up. Thanks. Bill Quay

Assy Plant	Standard		XR-7		Total	
	Produced	Known	Produced	Known	Produced	Known
Dearborn	110	25	90	32	200	57
San Jose	3	0	4	1	7	1
TOTAL	113	25	94	33	207	58

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Club Reports & Events



Cascade Cougar Club

Chris Farmer

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The Cascade Cougar Club remains as active as ever. At the moment the main focus is on participating in events, promoting upcoming events and planning our upcoming Prowl in July. Recently we had our annual trip to Port Angeles, WA for Mustangs and Cougars at the Courthouse. Then we had an open house at Jim and Elaine Pinkerton's which was paired with a tech session on Rear Leaf Spring replacement. Upcoming events include Prowl 2009 on July 26, FordNutz Claw-in on Aug 8 and Ponies in the Sun on Sept 20.

Mustangs and Cougars at the Courthouse

Photos by: Chris Farmer



April 25th was another great day at the courthouse and good times were had by all who attended. The 26th annual Mustangs and Cougars at the courthouse show was the venue and personally I send a hearty thanks to The North Olympics Mustang Club for hosting the show again.



Weather was better than it has been in quite a while for this show. On top of all the old cars and new, there was a very rare showing of the sun, albeit paired with a breeze. I actually got a tan in Port Angeles in April -

mark that one on your calendar folks.



A total of 15 cougars participated in the show this year, several of which I had not seen before. Club members that

attended were: Jim & Elaine Pinkerton (68 std), Chris & Jill Farmer (68 std), Jim & Jan Murphy (67 std), Larry Decker (68 XR-7), Neal Jacobson (70 XR-7), Bridgette Schoolfield (70 XR-7), John Howell (72 std vert), Victor Higgins & his son (73 XR-7), Scott Ferguson & Heather Whitaker (68 XR7-G), Karl and LaDonna Gehlhaar (34 Ford Hot Rod), Lonnie Sparhawk & Denis Kalberer (62 T-Bird) and Jeff, Carol, Noel & Sam Bingaman (60 Dodge). Also Dennis & Mari Welch and Dan Emmett attended but did not bring cars.

There were also cougars that did not belong to the club that attended. Richard Gunn with his 67 XR-7, Jason

Bushman with his 69 STD, James Wilson with his 70 STD "Eliminator R", Kris Hanson with his 69 XR-7, Maurice Stratton with his 73 STD and Rand Gilbert with his 73 STD.



Almost every cougar that attended came home with an award. In the 67-68 class Chris & Jill Farmer took 1st, Larry Decker took 2nd and Jim and Elaine Pinkerton took 3rd. In the 69-70 class

Jason Bushman took 1st, Neal Jacobson took 2nd and Bridgette Schoolfield took 3rd. In the 71-73 class Rand Gilbert placed 1st, Maurice Stratton placed 2nd and Victor Higgins placed 3rd. Scott Ferguson and Heather Whitaker placed 1st in the specialty cougar class, and James Wilson placed second in the modified cougar and mustang class and was awarded best of show cougar to boot.



Also Jeff, Carol, Noel & Sam Bingaman placed 1st in the custom non-ford class with their 1960 Dodge.

Please start planning to come over here for their 27th annual show next year, and don't be afraid to bring your car even if it's mid-project. One of the great moments of my day was when a 1970 Mach I showed up. To call this car a project was an understatement. The car had no doors or fenders or trunk lid and no interior. He placed first in the project class. I would love to see us get above 20 cars next year. Those coming over on show day can take part in a cruise from Fife or a ferry trip to either Kingston or Bainbridge. Those coming over on Friday have a choice of several good restaurants in Port Angeles or can make a dinner stop in Sequim at the Highway 101 Diner on Washington Street. The Highway 101 is a '50s-style diner with a motif split between cars and movies. You'll like the food, too.

Shoppers can also walk 3 blocks from the show to the Retroville store with its collection of old objects, or visit any of the other fine antique and unique stores in Port Angeles. You'll also have the option of driving west of Port Angeles to photograph your Cougar or Mustang next to Lake Crescent in Olympic National Park.

The other main push of the Club has been a significant upgrade to our website www.cascadecougarclub.com. We have created a members only area that will contain our year specific magazine articles as well as our club merchandise and newsletters both past and present. We have also created a merchandise section where people can order club merchandise. All in all it has been a busy winter and spring here in the Pacific Northwest.



Fordnutz Cougar Club, Vancouver, B.C., Canada

**Heather Whitaker,
Fordnutz Cougar Club - Events Director,
www.fordnutz.org**

Fordnutz Cougar Club is celebrating its twelfth anniversary this year and despite economic downturns is surviving quite well. It has been several years since I've submitted news from the Pacific coast but I assure you our cats are alive and well and anxious to hit the highways to shake off winter's lethargy. This past year will go down in history as "The Winter That Would Not End" but for those with vehicle restoration or sprucing-up projects, the weather situation has given us ample opportunity to get things done.

Whether due to the economic crisis or a cyclical apathy, a number of annual events have been cancelled this year, so perhaps the combination of cabin fever and our reduced options contributed to the overwhelming turnout at our first "mystery cruise" in March. Details of this event were sent out to the other Ford clubs in our area to bolster the numbers but who could have guessed that the results would be so dramatic? Generally we have fifteen or twenty people show up for these events, but when I arrived at North Vancouver's Tomahawk Restaurant for a quiet breakfast, I was shocked to find the parking lot full, people lined up out the restaurant door and a vast array of club jackets on those gathered in groups on every available piece of asphalt. I couldn't even begin to guess how many car

enthusiasts showed up that sunny Sunday, but it was truly amazing.

On the last weekend in April, some of us headed to Port Angeles, Washington. After suffering nearly Arctic conditions at last year's event, I was prepared for Mustangs and Cougars at the Courthouse this time around with four layers of clothing. It was worth it as I remained toasty warm while wandering among the 128 show vehicles. The field was dominated by Mustangs which covered the spectrum from 64 ½ through 2009 and of the dozen or so Cougars, many of the entries were 70-73, leaving two or three classes of earlier models vacant. Some Cougar owners' cats were still under "construction" so secondary classics were entered in the "Other" category. Scott Ferguson was the only entry in the Specialty Cougar class so took first place with his 68 XR7 G, the Pinkertons took 3rd place in the 67-68 class with Catbalu, their 68 Cougar and the Bingamans took 1st place in "Non Mustang/Cougar" with their Dodge Phoenix.

The shows I've attended over the past few months have been mostly devoid of cats. A local one in May had over 230 cars but only one Cougar. Even the huge event in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho (which boasted over 1500 cars for their annual cruise) had only one entry representing our feline model.

As we enter our area's "show season" the calendar is quite full with several events every weekend from which to choose and, of course, some of our members create their own events for us to enjoy. One such outing is an annual cruise and potluck barbecue on Canada Day (July 1st). Each year we meet in Abbotsford and cruise the eastern Fraser Valley then return to the home of the Friesens where we "graze" the tables filled with everything imaginable to tempt the taste buds while Kim mans the barbecue.

Before long it's August and time for Fordnutz' annual Claw In show. As in the past, this year's show will be a two-day event consisting of a mystery cruise and garage tour on Saturday, August 8th followed by our show on Sunday, August 9th. Due to the popularity of our newly arranged grass show field, we anticipate even larger numbers of participants this year. We invite everyone to join us. You can find all the details on our web site at www.fordnutz.org/clawin.



Spiff Up Your Magazine

J.W. Moorhouse (#3372)
Maineville, OH

(Editor's Note: One of the great things about hobbyist clubs is the willingness of members to share their ideas to help others. J.W. Moorhouse provides the following article for those who want to continue experiencing the newsletter in a paper format.)

Like many other organizations that publish a newsletter or magazine, the CCOA faced the triple threat of rising costs for **Paper**, **Printing**, and **Postage**, and elected to handle the problem by publishing the magazine online as a PDF file, which can be viewed and/or printed using Adobe Reader (which is a free download). However, most of us would prefer an old-fashioned magazine that we can read while relaxed in an easy chair to one that we have to turn on a computer to see, and, while we're

Kentuckiana Classic Cougar Club

Gary Townsend,
President



The Midwest Cougars and All Ford Show will be hosted by the Kentuckiana Classic Cougars. The show date is **August 15th** starting at 10:00 am. at the Masonic Homes of Kentucky, off of Frankfort Ave. in Louisville, Ky. The show site is an all grass area with plenty of shade. We will have door prizes at our show as well as a 50/50 drawing. Awards will be unique "Cougar" trophies. Pre-registration is 15.00 (before July 30th). Day of show registration is \$20.00

Lone Star Cougar Club

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LSCC-Editor



Our next big show in the Dallas/Ft Worth area is the Yellow Rose; Aug 8-9. This is an all Mercury/Ford indoor show hosted by N. TX Mustang club. We plan on having ten cars at this two day event. For more info on these and other shows in the area please visit our website: www.lonestarrcougarclub.com

Until next time, enjoy your Cats as much as you can.

listing our druthers, one that is formatted in the old-fashioned way with two pages readable at a time instead of a bunch of sheets printed on one side only and stapled together. Here's one way of getting there.

When you use Adobe Reader to open the PDF file that's attached to the email from CCOA, you can use the *File* menu to copy the PDF file to your hard disk. This isn't required, but it makes it easier to access it later directly instead of having to go through your mail handler to get there, and it's also a handy way to archive your magazines.

Now if you're fortunate enough to own a two-sided printer, you need read no further, because all you have to do is to go through the Reader to print it, put in three

staples, and you're done. If, on the other hand, you have a printer that does only one side of the paper at a time, keep reading. The basic method of printing both sides of the paper with a one-sided printer is to first print the odd-numbered pages in reverse order (so the stack in the output tray has the first sheet on top), then to turn the pages around and put them "top of sheet first" into the paper supply tray and print the even-numbered pages.

Some printers have a "Print Two Sides" option in the window that appears when you click on the printer icon in the Reader toolbar. If you select that, the software will guide you through the process of printing the odd and even sides. You might, however, find it useful to skip down to the "Reducing Frustration" section, as those hints will still apply. If you don't have the "Print Two Sides" option, keep reading.

Printing Two Sides Manually

These instructions apply to most (but not all) ink jet and laser printers. When you try them, it is essential that you use the Reader to do the printing and that you use the printer that you intend to use, because different applications that print do it differently and even two ink jet printers from the same manufacturer have some important differences in the setup with the same application. As they say, the devil is in the details!

Generally, the printer will feed sheets from the top of the supply tray, print on the side that was on the bottom of the sheet when it was in the supply tray, and drop it printed side up in the output tray. It prints each page from top to bottom and prints from the beginning to the end of the file. Hence the sheets are left in the output tray with the last sheet on top.

What we try to do here is to first of all print only the odd numbered pages and leave them stacked in the output tray with the first sheet on top instead of on the bottom. To do this, after we click on the Printer icon in the toolbar, we see the main printer control window appear. Under the description of the printer and its status in the upper left is another area labeled "Print Range" with several choices. Under "Subset:" change "All pages in range" to "Odd pages only" and check the "Reverse pages" box. Then click on "OK" to print the odd pages.

After finishing the odd pages, take them out of the output tray and put them in the supply tray, top edge first. Then set "Even pages only" and uncheck the "Reverse pages" box. Clicking on "OK" should now print

the even numbered pages on the reverse side of the odd numbered pages and in the correct order. CAUTION: If the page range is an odd number (e.g., "1-41"), remove the last odd-numbered page, set it aside to be added on later by hand, and set the range to the previous even number (e.g., "1-40"). Otherwise the last page is likely to be left in the tray because there was no "Page 42" to print.

Now, having said all this, remember that "the devil is in the details." Before you try this procedure, just set the "Page Range" to something like "1-3" and print about 3 pages and see if they really do print and leave the last page on top. Some printers have a feature that causes them to print so that the first page is normally on the top of the output stack. (It can be found by clicking "Properties," going to the Layout tab, and checking "Page Order" for some printers and a "Start Printing from Last Page" box in others.) Rather than change what is normally a rather nice feature, just print the odd pages with the "Reverse pages" box unchecked and check it for the even pages instead.

Reducing Frustration

One of the biggest sources of frustration when using a one-sided printer to print both sides, whether manually or software-assisted, is the tendency of the printer to pick up more than one sheet of paper at a time. This is guaranteed to cause all pages after that point to be mismatched! The best remedy is prevention. Before putting the blank sheets in the supply tray, riffle through them to be sure that none is sticking to its neighbor. Handle them carefully — damaged edges will cause them to act as though crimped together. Use good quality 20# paper, don't mix types, and don't overload either the supply or output tray. Be sure that paper width and length adjusters in the supply tray fit snugly against the stack without buckling or binding the paper, and that the length adjuster is set to ensure that the stack is fully seated. If a particular brand of paper consistently causes problems, change brands. Keeping your printer clean, especially things in the paper path is also helpful.

"Damage control" is an additional approach. Check the odd pages before printing the even to be sure there are no blank sheets imbedded there. If it was supposed to be blank, the page number after will be four more than the one before. After printing the even pages, check the last sheet — the even number should be one higher than the odd. If not, go back until you find a properly numbered sheet. That's the last good one; pitch and reprint everything after that..

One method of reducing damage is to print the even pages in installments. If the page range is 1-40, for example, print the odd pages, then without removing the odd pages from the supply tray, print pages 1-20, then 21-40, checking the last page for validity before going further. That way if a page in an installment is out of sequence, you'll have only the ones after that to redo. Always start the installment with the first unprinted odd page and end with an even page.

If some of your odd pages have a lot of ink (such as from large heavily colored photos), let them dry so

they're not moist and limp.

Further Reading

Most of the major printer manufacturers have web sites containing a great deal of information that is more detailed than what you'll find in their manuals, such as Knowledge Base (KB) and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) areas, as well as the latest drivers for each printer. Detailed cleaning instructions, troubleshooting tips, and a lot more help is all there for the asking.

Now enjoy your magazine!



COUGARS IN MINIATURE

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This article pertains to the Vinyl Line (Rubber) Cougar. These were made by the Vinyl Line Co. in West Germany. The cars are made of a pliable rubber. They are hollow underneath with thick ribs for support. The markings on some of the cars are Vinyl Line, Mercury, Made in W. Germany. All of the cars have different markings. The colors that I have seen are Blue, Red, Green, and Yellow. There are different shades of these colors also. The tires are mainly Black, but I have cars with Red tires, as the one in the picture. These toys are almost 4" long and are 1967 Cougars. What made these cars nice, was being made of rubber, there was no chance of leaving marks on Mom's good furniture.

All of the toys shown in my Cougars In Miniature articles are from my personal collection.



Classified Ads

Send your "Wanted" and "For Sale" ads to assistanteditor@cougarclub.org or membership@cougarclub.org. Please send them by **September 28** to ensure inclusion in the next *ATSOTC*.

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Mercury Cougar 1968 XR7, new paint, leather int., vinyl top and chrome, completely new drivetrain including 302 c.i. & T-5 crate items, posi rear, factory a/c, 4 wheel discs, power rack & pinion steering, gas shocks, all new suspension parts, modern stereo/CD, no rust, show winner, Boyd Coddington 17" wheels with Michelin XSE tires, 1000 miles on conversion, Grecian Gold, black leather, over 60K invested, priced to sell \$36,900, call Art for more info and appt. 570-646-1689.



WANTED: 1969 Body Assembly Manual

Beg, buy, or borrow a copy of body assembly manual for the '69 Cougar. Please call Ed at 715/268-9909.

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Financial Director's Report

Greg Fritz CCOA #5269

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INCOME STATEMENT	3/31/2009	6/30/2009
Revenue		
Membership Dues	\$360.00	\$605.00
Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00
Calendars	\$0.00	\$0.00
Merchandise	\$0.00	\$64.00
Net Revenue	\$360.00	\$669.00
PayPal	\$0.25	\$180.22
Total Revenue	\$360.25	\$849.22
Expenses		
Postage	\$126.33	\$640.90
Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00
Advertising Refund	\$130.00	\$0.00
Bank Fees	\$8.75	\$0.00
Check Printing	\$29.10	\$0.00
Newsletter	\$0.00	\$113.37
Total Expenses	\$294.18	\$754.27
Net Income	\$66.07	\$94.95

BALANCE SHEET	3/31/2009	6/30/2009
Assets		
US Bank	\$6441.93	\$6,151.27
PayPal	\$414.00	\$897.68
Total Cash	\$6,855.93	\$7,048.95
Accounts Receivable	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Current Assets	\$6,855.93	\$7,048.95
Inventory Assets	\$994.00	\$962.00
Fixed Assets	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office Furniture & Eqmt	\$0.00	\$0.00
Computer Software	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Assets	\$7,849.93	\$8,010.95
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00
Long Term Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equity		
Current Earnings	\$66.07	\$94.95
Total Owners Equity	\$7,916.00	\$8,010.95
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$7,916.00	\$8,010.95

eBay Cats a sampling of recent auctions

Condition: #1 Excellent; #2 Very good; #3 Average; #4 Fair/Poor; #5 What are they thinking?



Year/Model: 1996 XR7
VIN: 1MELMXXXXXX
Miles: 64,625 orig
Condition: 2
Selling price: \$3,250 (reserve not met)
Total # of Bids: 21
Comments: V8, power antenna, Cruise, AM/FM/CD, Remote trunk release. All orig with only 64K on this fully loaded V8 powered Cat. Looks and runs like new, original owner's manuals.



Year/Model: 1992
VIN: 1MEPMXXXXX
Miles: 65,826 orig
Condition: 2
Selling price: \$1,900
Total # of Bids: 16
Options: Bostonian Gold pkg
Comments: One owner Cat with only 65k. Runs like new! Alloy Wheels, AC, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cloth Seats, Dual Power Mirrors and Wood Grain Trim Pkg.



Year/Model: 1972 XR7
VIN: 2F93HXXXX
Miles: 35,000
Condition: 3
Final bid: \$4,500
Total # of Bids: 2
Comments: Stored in garage for 25+ years. 351 C with FMX and 2.75 gear. Runs and drives well. Medium Ginger interior with is electric drivers Seat. Factory tach, amp, oil gauge. Dash pad and both door panels have a crack.



Year/Model: 1975 XR7
VIN: F5A93HXXXX
Miles: 10,136
Condition: 1
Selling price: \$7,800.00
Total # of Bids: 22
Comments: All orig XR7 with just 10k on the 351W! This Cat looks and drives just as it did when it was new. Everything on this car is in perfect shape from the paint to the vinyl top and interior. All of the trim is without a flaw and the original bumpers are like new, the grill is perfect. The only flaw this Cat has is a split in the rubber (plastic) rear bumper trim. The original tires have been replaced, but the spare tire is original. Have the original books.



Year/Model: 1970 Eliminator
VIN: 0F91MXXXX
Miles: 25 on rebuilt
Condition: 1
Final bid: 18,600 (reserve not met)
Total # of Bids: 23
Comments: Restored. The 351c was rebuilt and balanced to stock specs, but dyno'd over 300 hp. Everything that needed to be replaced or rebuilt was done. Rock solid body with new Eliminator graphics. Black interior is very nice with console and gauge package. This Eliminator was originally ordered with front drum brakes; now has power front disc. Comes with Special Performance Mercury brochure and the full set of original shop and maintenance manuals



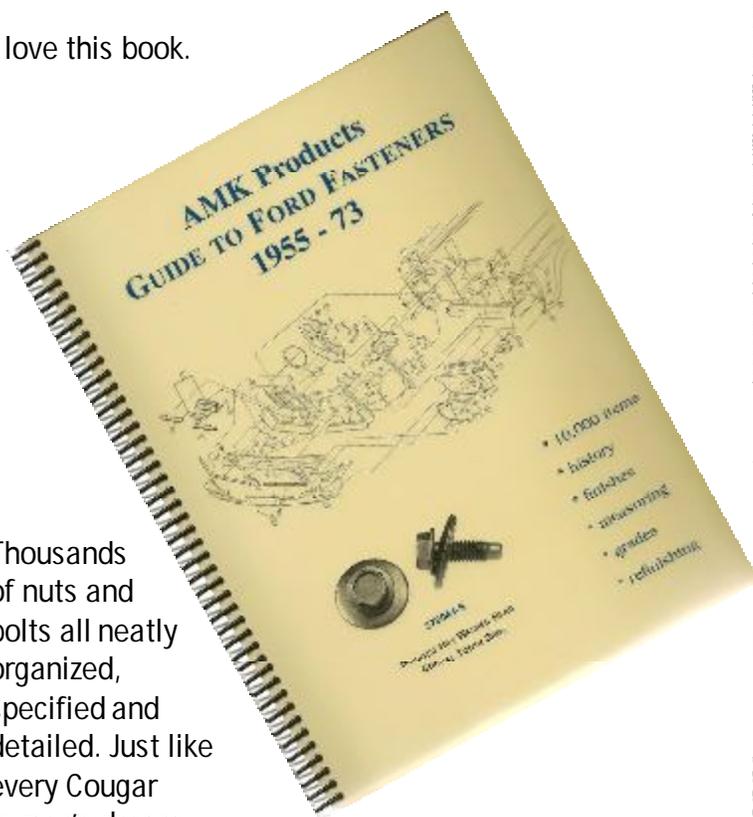
Year/Model: 1968 Standard
VIN: 8R91X5xxxx
Miles: ???
Condition: 4
Final bid: \$1,550
Total # of Bids: 5
Comments: Partially restored X-code 390-2v with automatic transmission. Car sat in yard for 17 years before restoration started. Many new parts: Dashpad, Carpet, pedals, emblems, brakes, etc. Seats professionally recovered. Non-factory sunroof. Needs headliner. Comes with extra parts and manuals.

Nuts & Bolts

Book Review: *AMK Products Guide to Ford Fasteners 1955 - 73.*

Rob Merritt CCOA #8323

I love this book.

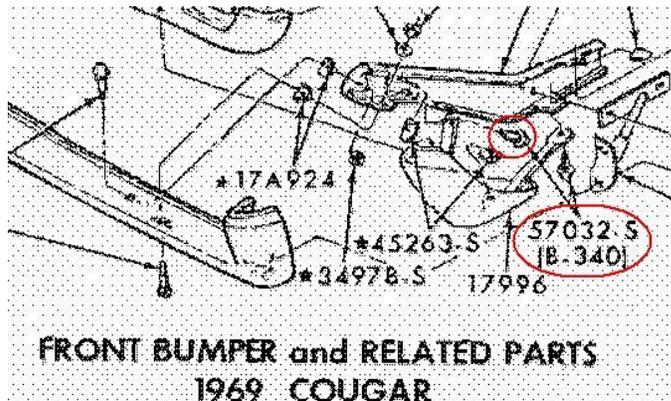


Thousands of nuts and bolts all neatly organized, specified and detailed. Just like every Cougar owner's dream garage.

Everything from Hex Head SEMS machine screws with conical washers to Fillister head Phillips tapping screws to U-nut retainers to Crown nuts to Cotter pins. Even covers trim clips and hose clamps. Perfect for the guy with a big bag of nuts and bolts who doesn't remember where they go, or for the guy who needs to figure out what type of fastener was used by the factory for a particular purpose.

Imagine you've found some nice bumper guards for your 1969 XR-7 on eBay. To your chagrin, they arrive in the mail without fasteners. Or maybe you just forgot to tag & bag the bolts when you took yours off for chroming. This book is the answer.

First, you need to identify the part number for the particular bolt. Using the bumper guard example, pull out for Master Parts Catalogue or (for many items) your illustrated Shop Manual and find the exploded view diagram.



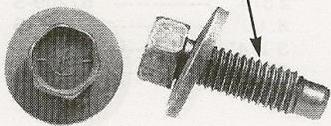
As you can see, there is a five or six digit number assigned to the fasteners.

Now, turn to the index of the *AMK Guide to Ford Fasteners* and scan until you find that number.

Part#		Pg.
57020-S	39	
57021-S	39	
57022-S	39	
67030-S	30	
57031-S	30	
57032-S	30	
57033-S	30	
57034-S	30	
57035-S	30	
57036-S	30	

Turn to the page referenced in the index and *Voila!* You get a diagram of the fasteners (really helpful for some items) as well as the exact style, finish, and size needed.

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3/8" -----	57470-S
1/2" -----	57471-S
5/8" -----	57472-S
3/4" -----	57030-S
7/8" -----	57031-S
1.00" -----	57032-S
1 1/4" -----	57033-S
1 1/2" -----	57034-S
1 3/4" -----	57035-S
2.00" -----	57036-S
2 1/4" -----	57037-S

In addition to the bolt by bolt listings, the book also includes sections on FoMoCo finishes for fasteners, explaining the use of phosphate, zinc, cadmium and chrome (among others). It also contains a useful glossary, historical manufacturer identification markings, and explanations of the various grade markings.



(Editor's Note: My box of fasteners isn't quite as organized as this book!)

This book nicely compliments the Shop Manual and Master Parts Catalogue that are available regularly on eBay or from your favorite Cougar vendor. It is another tool for working on your classic. If you're restoring a car where previous owners used hardware store parts, this is the book to set things straight. This book is a great resource for anyone doing a concours restoration or just trying to put a car back together that *someone else* forgot to label all the baggies of bolt. Yeah... that's right... someone else forgot to label those baggies.



The book was compiled and published by AMK Products, a supplier of fasteners for the collector car world. Many vendors carry their parts. Based on the Acknowledgement page, primary credit for assembling this reference tool goes to Max Kotlowski, who lists ten others for their contributions. The book was first printed in 1997.

You can get the *AMK Products Guide to Ford Fasteners*, oddly enough, from:

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www.amkproducts.com



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August 21nd thru August 23rd

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Cougars (1967-2002)

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August 22nd – Registration / Show / Awards Banquet

August 23rd – Get away day Fare well Breakfast

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REGISTRATION FORM

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Registration Fees: \$30.00 for entries postmarked on or before August 14, 2009 / second car \$15.00
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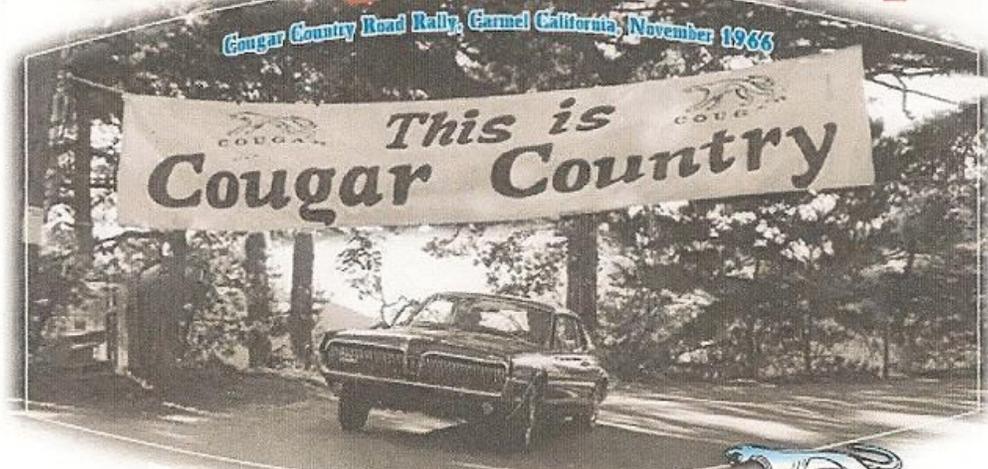
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- C3 68 STANDARD
- C4 68 XR7
- C5 69 HDTP, XR-7 & STANDARD
- C6 70 HDTP, XR-7 & STANDARD
- C7 71-73 COUGAR ALL
- C8 69-70 COUGAR CONV
- C9 MODIFIED COUGAR HDTP
- C10 MODIFIED COUGAR CONV.
- C11 GTE, XR-7G, ELIMINATOR
- C12 74-2002 COUGAR

- F1 FORD ALL
- F2 THUNDERBIRD ALL
- MU1 MUSTANG ALL
- MC1 70-80 MAVERICK / COMET
- M1 MERCURY ALL
- M2 60-69 COMET, CYCLONE, METEOR, FALCON
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A modified Cougar is defined as one that has a modified paint scheme, engine modifications or body panel modifications that significantly alter the original appearance of the vehicle. Cascade Cougar Club reserves the right to make final class placement.

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CITY, STATE, ZIP _____ EMAIL _____

YEAR _____ MAKE _____ MODEL _____ BODY STYLE _____ COLOR _____

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