

# THE VOICE of Bay Area Mustangs



BAM! is a 501(c)3 Charitable Organization and an MCA Regional Club

July 2025 Edition

MONTHLY NEWS FROM THE BAY AREA MUSTANGS, INC.

*Happy Summer everyone, and remember, some of the best memories are made in flip flops!*

**June 5, 2025** — Our June Gathering was held at Walk-On's on June 5th, and it was a great time for everyone. We had a great slide presentation with plenty of funny things to laugh about. Our game of the month was "Mustang and Ford Trivia." Mike Skupin also won the 50/50 drawing. Congratulations Mike!

Remember that everyone is welcome to join us at our Gathering's so tell a friend, or two, and come on out for some great fun. Our June Membership Drawing was not claimed, so our July drawing will be up to \$20! Make sure you always have your membership card with you, and come on out and share in the fun, laughter, and friendships!



**June 14, 2025**— Our June Rise & Shine was held at Parks Ford, in Wesley Chapel, from 9am-11am. It was so enjoyable to sit outside and enjoy a summer morning with friends.

We love to spend a Saturday morning enjoying some great music while showing off our cars and partaking of some breakfast, compliments of our awesome host, Parks Ford. BAM! was pleased to

donate \$150 worth of school supplies to the Parks Ford drive. Our next Rise & Shine will be held on August 9th (July cancelled) so mark your calendars and come on out and join us!!

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Gatherings*

*Thanks for Your Help!*

*Bay Area Mustangs is a different kind of car club. We are a club where friendships are just as important as our Mustangs and, just like when we maintain our Mustangs, a little effort goes a long way. We treat each other with old fashioned respect, and we are each accountable for our actions. Our members agree that kindness and courtesy are the hallmark of a fun and welcoming environment. Come join us.*

*The Rear View ...  
A BAM! Gathering*

# The Voice

*A look back at our June Gathering ... Members are fond of saying it's like being at a party!*



*Raffle  
Winners!*



*Raffle  
Winners!*



*Game Winners!*



*50/50  
Winner!*



*Beverly Warshel,  
BAM!'s Sunshine Lady*

What is a “Sunshine Lady” you ask? Well, the purpose of having a “Sunshine Lady” in our club is so that when any of our BAM! member are having “down days” she will send them a card to let them know that their friends at BAM! are thinking of them, and wishing them well. She does Get Well cards , Thinking of You cards, etc.

It is just a thoughtful way to show that, as fellow BAM! members, we care and are thinking of them during their illness, accident, surgeries, etc. But you need to help out and let Beverly know when a fellow member is in needs of a little pick-me-up.

Beverly’s phone number is (814) 207-1328. Members can call Beverly with details (name, address) anytime and make her aware of someone they know. who is having one of these “down days” and Beverly will take care of the rest!

*The Tampa Bay area is full of great things to do, and we will be doing them together. From shows, to cruises, to poker runs, to picnics, our goal is to get our Mustangs out with a group of friends and have fun no matter what activity is on the calendar, and there will be plenty for everyone!*

### ***BAM! on the Web...***

Check out all of our BAM happenings on our web page. You’ll find everything you need to know about BAM! right here. You can join the club or renew your membership from our website. You can also register for upcoming Car Shows! Thanks to Scott Englert, our Web Master, for managing our website!

Here is the link:

<https://www.bayareamustangs.com/>



### ***BAM! on Facebook...***

Got something to say about how much fun you are having with BAM!? Want to share pictures of your Mustang?

For all the latest on what people are sharing and thinking, don’t forget to follow BAM! on Facebook. Here is the link:

Here is the link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BayAreaMustangs>

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word 'facebook' in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

## Benefits of BAM! Membership

- Monthly Gatherings! - Each month we get together at Walk-On's Restaurant on the first Thursday of each month. This is always an opportunity for BAM! members to meet new friends or catch up with old friends, get caught up on all the latest BAM! and Mustang news, play a game with cash prizes, participate in a Raffle, 50/50 drawing, and our Membership Drawing. Our Gatherings are filled with fun and laughter and you'll feel like you're at a party! We hope our members can join us as often as possible.
- The Voice! - Our newsletter "The Voice" is available monthly for you to enjoy. It provides pictures from past events, our monthly calendar and all sorts of information on BAM! happenings and events. We hope our members enjoy receiving our newsletter each month.
- Events! - We have fun events planned throughout the year. Make sure you check our calendar in the newsletter. Event fliers are mailed out to members as events are finalized. We hope our members come out and participate in as many events as possible.
- Charity! - We are pleased to hold car shows that are not just about having a lot of fun, but they are also opportunities to support local charities. We hope our members come out to support our shows.
- Making Friends! - We are all about our Mustangs, of course, but we are also happy to make friends with fellow members and Mustang enthusiasts. As a member of BAM!, we treat everyone with respect, we all do our part to make everyone feel welcome, and we are proud to be able to support worthy causes through our charitable efforts. Come join us.



*Sunshine and Happiness go together like fish and chips ... why am I suddenly hungry?*



## Mustang Club of America (MCA)

Get all MCA has to offer. Join at [www.mustang.org](http://www.mustang.org)

\$60 full 1-year membership: Includes MCA membership and number, member benefits, access to enter MCA shows, MCA website access, ability to vote in MCA elections, ability to run for MCA office, digital "Mustang Times" access, "Mustang Times" 1 year subscription.

\$40 digital 1-year membership: Includes MCA membership and number, member benefits, access to enter MCA shows, MCA website access, ability to vote in MCA elections, ability to run for MCA office, digital "Mustang Times" access.

\$25 associate 1-year membership: Includes MCA membership and number, member benefits, access to enter MCA shows, MCA website access.

# The Rear View ... Parks Ford Rise & Shine

# The Voice

A look back at our **June Rise & Shine** ... Thanks to our wonderful sponsor Parks Ford!



## Our "Finger Art" Gallery ...

# The Voice

*(From your Editor)* Last year I started having fun with something I called "Finger Art." As I suspected, our fun loving BAM! members joined in with gusto until "Finger Art" became all the rage at BAM! events. Here is this month's best BAM! Artists and their rendition of "Finger Art!" Good job fellow Artists! You make me proud ...



(Picture Left)

**Jim Ventola** is our Artist this month. Here he unleashes his inner Artist without his subject being any the wiser!



(Picture Right)

**Jim Ventola** shows us that sometimes it's not just about the artistry, but how much the Artist enjoys his work!

*Honorable Mention also goes to these BAM! Artists ...*



## *From the Driver's Seat ...*

# The Voice

Hi BAM! Members and Friends,

As we wrap up the month of June, I can't help but think of all the success gatherings, great guest speakers, slide presentations, awesome Newsletters, Cruises, and events that we BAM! members have enjoyed for the past six months. This is due to the hard-working BAM! Board of Directors (BOD). We have the best of the best managing the Bay Area Mustangs. All BOD members contribute their expertise to the success of BAM! I also want to thank the BOD and all of you that have participated in making these events and gatherings successful. Now I'm looking forward to the next six months of 2025 with BAM! We have our monthly BAM! Gatherings at Walk-On's, Parks Ford Rise & Shines, our Mustang Madness Car Show, and we will be finishing the year with a beautiful Christmas Party at Roberta's.

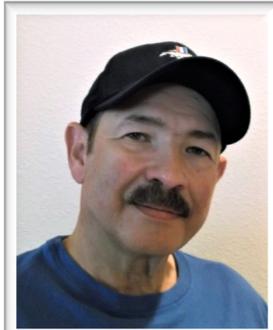
As we start the month of July, we're celebrating Independence Day, or better known as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, one of America's most prestigious holiday. So, after you participate in parades, go to the beach, see some fireworks, barbecue or however you celebrate the day with your family and friends, please take a minute to reflect on the meaning of the holiday. I want to thank all the veterans and active service men and woman that have fought for our independence and freedom. In today's environment, this becomes even more important. Thank you and Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July to all.

For those of you that didn't attend our BAM! Gathering on Thursday, June 5th you missed out on some good food from Walk-On's and a great gathering. We had a great slide presentation of the past Gathering, BAM! on the Bay Cruise, and the Rise & Shine at Parks Ford. Thanks, Melinda and Stephanie, for doing the slide presentation which is enjoyed by everyone in attendance. Members and visitors really like to see themselves on the big screen. We didn't have a guest speaker, so I decided to have everyone participate in a discussion of Classic car insurance. Some members discussed Heacock Classic, Hagerty, Allstate and State Farm as their insurance providers. It was very interesting to see what some members are paying.

I also want to thank all the BAM! members and friends that attended the Parks Ford Rise & Shine Car Meet on the second Saturday of the month. Parks Ford is one of BAM!'s greatest sponsors and they provided bagels and coffee to all participants in attendance. Most months they have a catering truck making breakfast foods that's very delicious. We also had Scott Englert, of Perfectly Played (and a BAM! Member) as the DJ. He does an awesome job providing music for the event. Due to construction at the dealership, the July Rise & Shine has been cancelled, but we (BAM!) want to make sure we support our sponsor so I hope to see you at our next Rise & Shine at Park's Ford on Saturday August 9<sup>th</sup>. Just to make sure you have something to add to your calendars, in the month of August we will be planning a Cruise. This is still in the planning stage but as soon as everything is confirmed we will be generating a flyer and posting it.

In closing, I would like to encourage all of you to attend our next BAM! Gatherings or activities to show your support for our BAM! Club. Remember that our Board is working very hard to make it a fun and successful year for BAM! As I always say, it is hard to argue with success. I hope to see you all at our next activity or BAM! Gathering.

*Frank Morales, President, Bay Area Mustangs (BAM!)*  
You can contact me at: [fmorapres@aol.com](mailto:fmorapres@aol.com)



### **WHY CHOOSE BAM?**

*Because you want to have fun. You want to have fun with friends. You want to have fun with friends who also love Mustangs! What more could you ask for?*

*You might ask for a large choice in activities, great sponsors, games and plenty of entertainment.*

*You certainly will get all of this with BAM!*



**Saturday, August 9th, 2025**—(Note: July Rise & Shine cancelled due to construction.) Rise & Shines are held each month for 2025. This can always be counted on to be a fun morning of beautiful cars, a live band or DJ, free breakfast and good friends! A big thank you to our wonderful Sponsor, Parks Ford for holding this event!

As BAM! continues to grow, we are always looking for ways to make things easier on our members. So we are happy to announce that BAM! now takes credit card payments at any of our activities.

- Do you want to renew your membership? You can do this at any BAM! event.
- Do you want to register for our car show? You can do this at any BAM! event.
- At our Gatherings:
  - You can buy Club Items by credit card!
  - You can buy Raffle Tickets by credit card!
  - You can buy 50/50 tickets by credit card!

*Don't have cash on you? See our BAM! Treasurer !*



The Bay Area Mustangs presents  
**Mustang Madness  
Car Show!**

A 501(c)3  
Fundraiser

Supporting the  
**Ali Spears  
Foundation**  
*Helping families  
impacted by  
pediatric cancer.*

**PARKS  
Ford  
WESLEY CHAPEL**

Sponsored by  
Parks Ford

Show located at the  
Grove:  
5710 Oakley Blvd.,  
Wesley Chapel,  
FL 33544

BAMI!  
BAMI! is an MCA Regional Club!

**Saturday, October 18, 2025**

Open to all years, makes and models.

Location is 5710 Oakley Blvd, Wesley Chapel, FL 33544 (This is the Outback, which is next to the show area.)

Show Hours: 9:00AM to 2:00PM.

Registration: 9:00AM to 11:00AM. No Cars parked after 11:00AM.

\$20 if pre-registered by 10-15-25;  
\$25 for Day of Show entries (cash only)

Show will be held rain or shine – **no refunds.**

People's Choice Voting will take place between 11:30AM to 1:00PM. Awards presented at approximately 2:00PM.

For general information email [infobayareamustangs@gmail.com](mailto:infobayareamustangs@gmail.com) or call Frank Morales at (714) 349-1753.

Register and Pay Online at <https://bayareamustangs.com>. (Fee is \$21 for on-line registrations) (Mail-in option on reverse side.)



**Saturday, October 18th, 2025**— BAMI! will once again hold our “Mustang Madness Car Show” sponsored by Parks Ford Wesley Chapel. As it has in the past, it is going to be an awesome day. This show supports the Ali Spears Foundation (helping families impacted by pediatric cancer) so come support this show and help a worthy cause while having a great day. See the flier for all the details and we hope to see you there. Register early!

## BAM! Membership ...

# The Voice

*Welcome to our  
Newest Members!*

Rob Perrault  
David & Susan Shaffer  
Brian & Candace Zube  
Gary Crist  
Thomas Arnao  
Robert & Kristina Henson  
Kris & Jackie Lenning  
Evan & Elizabeth Doyle  
William Johnston & Suzanne  
Reno

At every monthly Gathering we draw a membership number. If that member is present, their current membership card must be shown to win the pot. If the member doesn't have their membership card, or the member isn't present, no one wins that month.

The next month we will add \$10 to the pot and draw a membership number. The pot will continue to grow until a winner is drawn.

The drawing was unclaimed at our June Gathering so the July Pot will be:

**\$20.00!**

*Monthly Membership  
Drawing!*

*For questions on BAM! membership contact our Membership Chairman,  
Cliff Johannsen, at [cliff.bam7@gmail.com](mailto:cliff.bam7@gmail.com)*

## 2025 Annual Membership Drive!

### NICE RIDE!

WANNA HAVE SOME  
FUN WITH YOUR



M U S T A N G

TURN CARD OVER TO  
LEARN MORE ABOUT



**Admired by**

*Write your  
name here!*

How would you like a membership perk while helping to grow our BAM! membership? Yes, we thought you'd like the idea. By bringing in new members, here are some of the perks now available:

- |                   |                                   |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 New Membership  | \$10 Gift Card or \$10 Cash       |
| 3 New Memberships | One free BAM! T-Shirt             |
| 5 New Memberships | One free BAM! membership renewal! |

New members just need to list your name on the membership application, as the person that told them about the club, and you'll get credit toward this membership drive. So invite your friends and fellow Mustang Enthusiasts.

Another way to grow our membership is through use of our "Nice Ride!" cards. You can pick some up at our next event. Keep them in your pocket, and when you see a nice Mustang, leave this card on their window ... But remember to write your name on the card! So far we have the following winner:

*Maureen Capps - 2, Mark Berlin - 2, Scotty Gruoner - 2  
Tony & Angela Marcano - 2, Zeke Brogan - 1,  
Mike Skupin - 2, Aldo Anglero - 1, Frank Morales - 1*

## Club Items ...

# The Voice

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**Multiple  
Colors  
Available!**



*Support your Club ... wear your BAM! Apparel!! See our Club Items Chairman, Rob Dutra, at our monthly Gatherings and Events.*

There are three ways to get yours:

1. Check out Club Items display at our Gatherings.
2. You can place an order, then pick it up at our next Gathering (or as available).
3. Go to our BAM! website's Links page and click on the link for Dawn's Embroidery, or go directly to [Dawnsembroidery.com](http://Dawnsembroidery.com) and click on the BAM! Logo to see what's in stock. You can place an order then have it shipped or pick it up.

**See pricing on next page.**

## New Items!



Tote Bag



20 oz Tumbler



30 oz Tumbler



40 oz Tumbler



Crew Neck



Hoodie



Full Zip-up



Get Your Exclusive Club Items!

Join the fun and show your BAM! Club spirit with our new fantastic range of items. Check out our selection and grab your favorites!

Item	Description	Cost
BAM! Zip-Up	Full zip-up sweatshirt w/ logo	\$25*
BAM! Hoodie	Cozy hoodie for chilly days w/logo	\$20*
BAM! Crew Neck	Sweatshirt (no hood) w/logo	\$18*
BAM! Camp Shirts	Lightweight button down w/logo	\$25*
BAM! T- Shirts	Soft cotton t-shirt w/logo	\$15*
BAM! Baseball Cap	Stylish cap w/adjustable strap & logo	\$20
BAM! Travel Mug (20 oz)	20 oz. Eco-Friendly travel mug w/logo	\$20
BAM! Travel Mug (30 oz)	30 oz. Eco-Friendly travel mug w/logo	\$25
BAM! Travel Mug (40 oz)	40 oz. Eco-Friendly travel mug w/handle & logo	\$35
BAM! Tote Bag	Durable tote for daily use w/logo	\$25
BAM! Key Chain	Unique Keychain with club emblem	\$3
BAM! Hat Pin	Unique Hat Pin with club logo	\$2
BAM! Decals	Fun BAM! Decals to personalize your ride	\$2

**\*Note prices listed are for sizes S-XL. Additional \$ for XXL and above**

 Order Now!

Contact Rob Dutra at: [rsdutra72@hotmail.com](mailto:rsdutra72@hotmail.com) to place your order or visit our website at <https://bayareamustangs.com/>

Follow us on social media for updates:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BayAreaMustangs>

*Support your Club ... wear your BAM! Apparel!! See our Club Items Chairman, Rob Dutra, at our monthly Gatherings and Events.*

## Our BAM! 2025 Calendar ...

# The Voice

Some dates may be tentative until fliers are released so keep a close eye here for any changes or updates. Make sure you mark your calendar so you don't miss any of our fun filled events!

Thu, 1/9/25 BAM! Gathering ✓  
(Moved due to holiday)

Sat, 1/11/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine ✓

Thu, 1/11/25 BAM! Board Meeting ✓

Thu, 2/6/25 BAM! Gathering ✓

Sat, 2/8/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine ✓

Sat, 2/8/25 BAM! Board Meeting ✓

Sat, 2/15/25 BAM! Hideaway Cruise ✓

Thu, 3/6/25 BAM! Gathering ✓

Sat, 3/8/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine ✓

Sat, 3/8/25 BAM! Board Meeting ✓

Thu, 4/3/25 BAM! Gathering ✓

Sat, 4/12/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine ✓

Sat, 4/12/25 BAM! Board Meeting ✓

Thu, 5/1/25 BAM! Gathering ✓

Sat, 5/3/25 BAM! On the Bay Cruise ✓

Sat, 5/10/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine ✓

Sat, 5/10/25 BAM! Board Meeting ✓

Thu, 6/5/25 BAM! Gathering ✓

Sat, 6/14/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine ✓

Sat, 6/14/25 BAM! Board Meeting ✓

Thu, 7/10/25 BAM! Gathering  
(Moved due to holiday)

~~Sat, 7/12/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine (cancelled)~~

Sat, 7/12/25 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 8/7/25 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 8/9/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 8/9/25 BAM! Board Meeting

Sat, 8/TBD/25 Quarterly Activity (Cruise)

Thu, 9/4/25 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 9/13/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 9/13/25 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 10/2/25 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 10/11/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 10/11/25 BAM! Board Meeting

Sat, 10/18/25 Mustang Madness Car Show

Thu, 11/6/25 BAM! Gathering & 5<sup>th</sup>  
Birthday Party

Sat, 11/8/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 11/8/25 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 12/4/25 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 12/13/25 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 12/13/25 BAM! Board Meeting

Sat 12/20/25 BAM! Christmas Party

***Come on out and have fun  
with us!***

✓ = Completed

*BAM! Sponsors ...*

*The Voice*

BAM! extends our gratitude to Parks Ford of Wesley Chapel for sponsoring our club. Parks Ford hosts our Rise & Shine Event monthly, and also hosts and sponsors our BAM! Car Shows. Thank you Parks Ford!



## **Parks Ford of Wesley Chapel Welcomes You!**

We proudly proclaim that Parks Ford of Wesley Chapel is a full-service dealership where we put you, the customer, first! Our dealership has been serving the community of Wesley Chapel and the surrounding communities of Tampa for over 30 years with our high standards for excellent service. We want our customers to be satisfied, and also confident in their choice to bring their business to Parks Ford of Wesley Chapel. We have a courteous and committed sales staff, as well as professional, expert service technicians with many years of experience satisfying our customers' needs. We look forward to serving you and all our customers in the Tampa, Brandon and Zephyrhills areas with your next purchase on a new Ford or a large variety of used vehicles in many makes and models.

## BAM! Sponsors ...

# The Voice

BAM! extends our gratitude to Walk-On's Sports Bistreaux for sponsoring our club. Walk-On's is pleased to host our monthly Gatherings and provide the club with various donations. Thank you Walk-On's!



## Walk-On's Sports Bistreaux: Our Story

Our love for the game, community, and bringing the heart of a walk-on to the restaurant space began with the dreams of our Founder, Brandon Landry and his partner, Jack Warner, in 2003. We've worked hard over the years to create a restaurant and bar concept that pairs attention-to-detail and culinary excellence with a little Louisiana spice, pulling in that underdog mindset and hospitality, making you feel like family the moment you walk in.