THE VICTOR OF Bay Area Mustangs



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September 2025 Edition

MONTHLY NEWS FROM THE BAY AREA MUSTANGS, INC.

I have to admit that sometimes I daydream while I'm driving ... then I wonder how in the world I made it home?!



August 7, 2025 — Our August Gathering was held at Walk-On's on August 7th, and it was a great time for everyone. We

had a great slide presentation with plenty of funny things to laugh about. Due to the rainy weather, we went from our presentation to the raffle and ended the night a little early, but with some very happy raffle winners.

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 August Membership Drawing was not claimed, so our September drawing will be \$20! Make sure you always have your

membership card with you, and come on out and share in the fun, laughter, and friendships!

August 9, 2025— Our August 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, complements of our awesome host, Our next Rise & Shine will be held on September 13th so mark your calendars and come on out and join us!!



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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

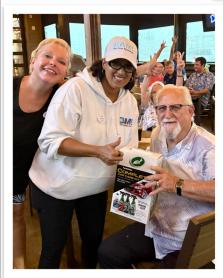
The Voice

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



















The Voice

Parks Ford Rise and Shine

The Rear View ...

A look back at our **August Rise and Shine at Parks Ford** ... Thanks to our wonderful sponsor Parks Ford-Wesley Chapel!

















The Voice



The following email notice was sent to all BAM! members on 7/27/25:

This change is now in effect.

Dear BAM! Member,

We hope this message finds you well. We are writing to inform you about an upcoming change to our membership contributions.

Effective September 1st, 2025, there will be an increase in the membership fee for our Bay Area Mustangs, Inc. (BAM!) The new membership fee will be \$25.00. This new fee will be due on all renewal dates that occur after September 1st, 2025.

This decision was made by the BAM! Board of Directors to ensure that we can continue to provide high-quality activities for our members.

We greatly value your continued support and commitment to BAM! Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this change, please feel free to contact our President, Frank Morales, at 714-349-1753 or via email at fmorapres@aol.com.

Thank you for your continued membership in BAM!

Best Regards, Melinda Morales Treasurer On behalf of the Board of Directors

The Voice



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:

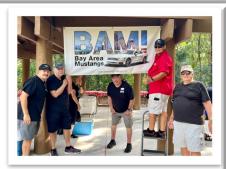
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Benefits of BAM! Membership

- 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.







Happy September. The world shall now transform into pumpkin everything.

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Mustang Club of America (MCA)

Get all MCA has to offer. Join at 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.

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 ...



"Finger Artist" of the Month goes to ...

(Picture Left)
Rob Dutra.

Here he is celebrating a new member and her raffle prize.

Way to make our new members feel welcome, Rob!

And Honorable Mention goes to ...

(Picture Right)

Honorable Mention goes to the team of Finger Artists in the back of the room. They are obviously celebrating a raffle win by another new BAM! member! Such a friendly group ...



From the Driver's Seat ...

The Voice

Hi BAM! Members and Friends,

We are having a hot and rainy summer. I'm already wishing for the cooler weather of winter. It's so hot that I don't want to go for a walk or a bike ride in the morning. Anyway, hope everyone is trying to stay cool in your airconditioned homes or Mustangs.

For those of you that didn't attend our BAM! Gathering on Thursday, August 7th, you missed out on a fun night trying to stay dry at Walk-On's. It was raining hard, and water was leaking into the patio, but we made the best of it and had some fun. Our guest speaker was going to be Harold Champion but due to the rain we had to reschedule him to our October Gathering. He was going to share his trip experience to the California Racetrack.

I want to remind all BAM! members and friends that our next Gathering is scheduled for Thursday, September 4th at Walk-On's. This month we have special guest speakers Mara and Cameron Spears, from the Ali Spears Foundation. They are wonderful people working for a great cause. Your presence is crucial in honoring their important work which we will also highlight during our car show this year

As for past events, I want to thank Cliff & Janet Johannsen for coordinating the Ride in the Country cruise on Saturday, August 16th. It was a lot of fun riding in the country with some beautiful Mustangs and one Jeep (LOL). We ended our cruise with lunch at Peck's Old Port Cove Restaurant in Crystal River.

As for upcoming events, Parks Ford Rise & Shine Car Meet scheduled for Saturday, September 13th. Parks Ford is one of BAM!'s sponsors and they provide free breakfast for all participants. BTW – breakfast is freshly made and awesome. The catering truck also has other breakfast foods that are very delicious. We (BAM!) want to make sure we support our sponsor. We encourage all of you to invite your friends to join us. Hope to see you at our next Rise & Shine at Park's Ford.

As for other upcoming events, BAM! is teaming up with Mustang Club of Tampa on Tuesday Nite at Fords Garage in Wesley Chapel. This is a Car and Truck Cruise-In to be held on September 23rd from 6:00 - 9:00 pm. I think it will be fun to have a joint event with MCT. Hope to see BAM members at this event.

Also, and most importantly we have the BAM! Mustang Madness Car Show scheduled for Saturday, October 18th at the Grove in Wesley Chapel. Remember, this car show is open to all years, makes and models. This is a fun car show with costume contests for adults and kids. A \$50 prize for best adult male and female, and gift bags for best boy and girl costumes. Our DJ will be the awesome Brian Akin of Akin One Promotions. Please register as soon as possible as we are limited in space.

In closing, I hope everyone has a wonderful Labor Day weekend as we celebrate the workers and their achievements by shopping and barbecuing. For other people it simply marks the last weekend of summer and the start of the school year. I would like to encourage all of you to attend our next BAM! Gathering or activities to show your support for our BAM! Club.

Frank Morales, President, Bay Area Mustangs (BAM!) You can contact me at: 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!

The Road Ahead ...





Saturday, September 13th, 2025— 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!







Tuesday, September 23rd, 2025— BAM! and MCT are teaming together for a joint event at Fords Garage, Wesley Chapel.

Come join us for dinner and an evening of friends and Mustangs!

The Road Ahead ...





Saturday, October 18th, 2025— BAM! 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

Thomas Arnao

Robert & Kristina Henson

Kris & Jackie Lenning

Evan & Elizabeth Doyle

William Johnston & Suzanne Reno

Clive & Beverly Richardson

Jamie & John Mills

Jim Todd

Gene Harwell

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 August Gathering so the September Pot will be:

\$20.00!

Monthly Membership Drawing!

For questions on BAM! membership contact our Membership Chairman, Cliff Johannsen, at cliff.bam7@gmail.com

2025 Annual Membership Drive!



WANNA HAVE SOME FUN WITH YOUR



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 - 3
Tony & Angela Marcano - 2, Zeke Brogan - 1,
Mike Skupin - 2, Aldo Anglero—1, Frank Morales—1
Cliff Johannsen—1

Club Items ...





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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.



Order now!

Contact Club Items Chairman, Rob Dutra, at: rsdutra72@hotmail.com to place your order.

Follow us on social media for updates: Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/BayAreaMustangs

See pricing on next page.

Club Items ...



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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	\$35
BAM! Hoodie	Cozy hoodie for chilly days w/logo	\$30
BAM! Crew Neck	Sweatshirt (no hood) w/logo	\$25
BAM! Camp Shirts	Lightweight button down w/logo	\$30
BAM! T- Shirts	Soft cotton t-shirt w/logo	\$20
BAM! Baseball Cap	Stylish cap w/adjustable strap & logo	\$25
BAM! Flexfit Cap	Stylish fitted cap w/logo	\$25
BAM! Visor	Stylish Visor cap w/logo	\$20
BAM! Travel Mug (20 oz)	20 oz. Eco-Friendly travel mug w/logo	\$25
BAM! Travel Mug (30 oz)	30 oz. Eco-Friendly travel mug w/logo	\$30
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	\$30
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

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Contact Rob Dutra at: rsdutra72@hotmail.com to place your order

Follow us on social media for updates:

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Our BAM! 2025 Calendar ...



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)	

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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, 8/16/25	A Ride in the Country Cruise √
Thu, 9/4/25	BAM! Gathering
Sat, 9/13/25	Parks Ford Rise & Shine
Sat, 9/13/25	BAM! Board Meeting
Tue, 9/23/25	Tuesday Night in the Garage
Thu, 10/2/25	BAM! Gathering
Sat, 10/11/25	BAM! Board Meeting
Sat, 10/18/25	Mustang Madness Car Show
Thu, 11/6/25	BAM! Gathering & 5 th 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!

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BAM! Sponsors ...



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!



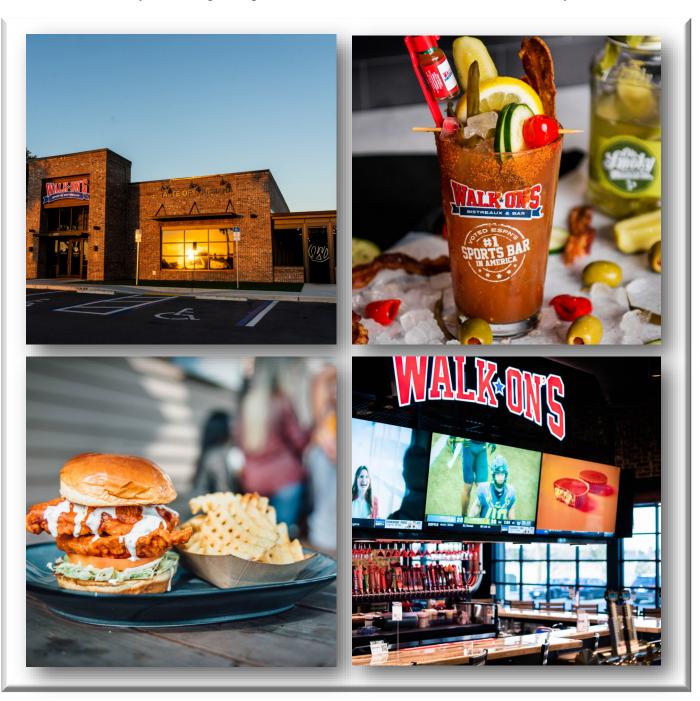
Parks Ford of Wesley Chapel Welcomes You!

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 ...



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.