

THE VOICE of Bay Area Mustangs



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

February 2026 Edition

MONTHLY NEWS FROM THE BAY AREA MUSTANGS, INC.

I married for love. But the obvious side benefit of having someone around to find your car keys cannot be ignored.



January 8, 2026 — Our January Gathering was held at Walk-On's, as usual, and it was a great time for everyone. We had a great slide presentation with plenty of funny things to laugh about. We had a fun game to play called "The Price is Right" and we had a great raffle to kick off the year.

Remember that everyone is welcome to join us at our Gatherings so tell a friend, or two, and come on out for some great fun. Our January

Membership Drawing was not claimed, so our February drawing will be up to \$40! Make sure you always have your membership card with you, and come on out and share in the fun, laughter, and friendships!

January 10, 2026— Our January Rise & Shine was held at Parks Ford, in Wesley Chapel, from 9am-11am. Although it was cool outside, it was still nice to sit and enjoy a morning with friends. Some folks spent time inside the dealership enjoying the wonderful bagels provided by Parks Ford. Everyone says they are the best!



We do love to spend a Saturday morning enjoying some great music while showing off our cars with a delicious bagel in our hands. Our next Rise & Shine will be held on February 14th so mark your calendars and come on out and join us!!

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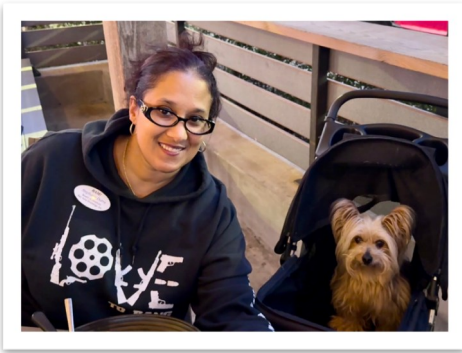
Thanks for Your Help!

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 ... BAM! Gathering

The Voice

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



The Voice

The Rear View ... Parks Ford Rise and Shine

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





*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 emailed 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.



Remember, your Valentine's card shows you care enough to send the very best, even though you're too lazy to put it in your own words.



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) A while back 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 Artists" of the Month go to ...

(Picture Right)
JT Garabrant and
Nikki Harter!

JT and Nikki are brand new members, and this picture shows that they really know how to get into the spirit of things. I call them our "Enthusiastic Artists" of the month.

Yep, JT and Nikki are going to be real assets to this club if I do say so myself!



And Honorable Mentions go to ...

(Pictures Below) Honorable Mention goes to the other new faces who show us that they know how to get into the spirit of things, too! Do they look like they are having fun?! You be the judge ...



From the Driver's Seat ...

The Voice

Hi BAM! Members and Friends,

Happy Valentine's to all BAM! members and friends. I want to wish all of the love birds a very Happy Valentine's Day. So far February has been so cold it's been unbelievable. In fact, I always say "Doesn't Mother Nature know that we live in the Sunshine State?" It has been so cold that I was worried about our February Gathering since it's outside in the patio of Walk-On's. But Walk-On's, being a great sponsor, made sure that the shades were down, and the heaters turned on and it was surprisingly comfortable. We had a great turnout for our February Gathering with forty five members and friends attending in spite of the cold weather. The game was Family Feud Valentine's Edition, and everyone had a great time with a lot of laughter. Thanks, Melinda, for organizing the game.

I am so happy that members have agreed to help with the Raffle. Myrna did an awesome job with the February raffle. Barabara Bilger has volunteered to do the March Raffle, and Lauren Kaplan and Selina Joichin-Richter will also rotate the Raffle buying efforts. Thanks for accepting the challenge, it is a big load off Melinda.

I'm also so proud of our Board Members for accepting the challenge to run BAM! I'm honored to be working with a nice group of people. Everyone is motivated and excited to make BAM! a successful Club. Without them we could not even think about running a Mustang club. Each Board Member brings their own expertise to the Club, and I would like to thank them for their outstanding contribution

As for past events, I want to thank Melinda and Stephanie Dutra for always doing an outstanding slide presentation that all BAM! members enjoy. Our goal is to join people together who love and appreciate their Mustangs and their friendships. Again, we just want to have FUN! I also want to thank Angela Marcano, our Photographer Extraordinaire, for the awesome pictures she takes at our events. Thank you, Angela.

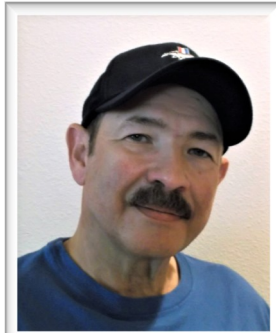
Next, we want to make sure we support our sponsor, Parks Ford. Remember the Parks Ford Rise & Shine is held on the second Saturday of each month. I would like to encourage members and friends to attend to show our gratitude and support. This event is open to all makes and models, so invite all your friends, it doesn't matter what they drive. BTW, Parks Ford provides some awesome bagels, cream cheese, cup cakes and coffee for all in attendance.

As for upcoming events, we have our Crazy Gator Cruise on Saturday, February 21st for a thrilling dive through the stunning countryside. I'd like to thank Cliff Johannsen for organizing this event. Let's have some FUN!

In closing, I want to thank BAM! members for the support that you have given us. I have met some wonderful people through many local Club's and made some lifetime friendships that will remain with me forever. Finally, a very special thanks to Parks Ford, Shane Norsworthy, and Walk-On's, Angel Alicea, for their support of BAM! We are lucky to have such awesome club sponsors.

Thank you, all, for an outstanding job. I want to wish all BAM! members and friends a Happy Valentine's Day. See you all next month at Walk-On's for our monthly Gathering. BAM!

*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!

RISE & SHINE
— CAR MEET —
2ND SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH
9AM-11AM
CO-HOSTED BY: BAM!
Bay Area Mustangs
PARKS FORD
of WESLEY CHAPEL

Saturday, February 14th, 2026— Rise & Shines are held each month for 2026. 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 !





A Crazy Gator Cruise



Once again, it's time to get our Mustangs out for some fresh air! Come join us as we enjoy a cruise through the beautiful countryside on Saturday, February 21, 2026.



We will meet in the RaceTrac Gas parking lot located at 15474 SR-52 E, Land O Lakes, FL., at 9:30am. We will have our Drivers Meeting at 9:45am and depart at 10:00am for a relaxing cruise and a breath of fresh air.



We will end up at The Crazy Gator Restaurant located at 402 N. Bay Street, Eustis, FL 32726, for a nice lunch afterward!



*If you plan to join us, please RSVP to:
Cliff Johannsen at 414-254-2684 or email at
cliff.bam7@gmail.com
so we have an accurate count for our
lunch reservation.*

Saturday, Feb. 21, 2026

Saturday, February 21st, 2026— Everyone has been asking for a cruise, so here you go! Our Crazy Gator Cruise will take place on February 21st. We will take a nice cruise through the countryside and end up at The Crazy Gator Restaurant for lunch. Mark your calendars and make sure you RSVP. See all the details in the flier.

BAM! Membership ...

*Welcome to our
Newest Members!*

- Mike & Vanessa Severe
- Joe Petrone & Taylor Prentice
- JT Garabrant & Nikki Harter
- Jordan Fountain
- Greg Wilson
- Paul Pinner & Catherine Kelley
- Nancy Hastings
- Michael Argento & Lisa Scalzo
- JJ & Lisa Cummings

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 claimed at our February Gathering so the March Pot will be:

\$10.00!

*Monthly Membership
Drawing!*

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

2026 Annual Membership Drive!

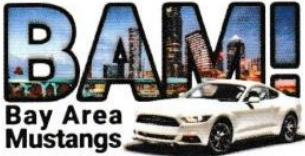
NICE RIDE!

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 winners:

Frank Morales — 2 Tony & Angela Marcano — 2

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.

Popular Items!



Tote Bag



3" Round Decals/Cling-ons



30 oz Tumbler



Crew Neck



Hoodie



Full Zip-up



20 oz Tumbler



40 oz Tumbler

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.



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

Order Now!

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

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! 2026 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, 1/8/26 BAM! Gathering ✓
(moved due to holiday)

Sat, 1/10/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine ✓

Thu, 1/10/26 BAM! Board Meeting ✓

Thu, 2/5/26 BAM! Gathering ✓

Sat, 2/14/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 2/14/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Sat, 2/21/26 BAM! Crazy Horse Cruise

Thu, 3/4/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 3/14/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 3/14/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 4/2/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 4/11/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 4/11/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Sat, 4/25/26 BAM! Picnic

Thu, 5/7/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 5/9/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 5/9/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 6/4/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 6/13/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 6/13/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 7/2/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 7/12/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 7/12/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 8/6/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 8/8/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 8/8/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Sat, TBD/26 Quarterly Activity

Thu, 9/3/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 9/12/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 9/12/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 10/1/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 10/10/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 10/10/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Sat, 10/TBD/26 Mustang Madness Car Show

Thu, 11/5/26 BAM! Gathering & 6th
Birthday Party

Sat, 11/14/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 11/14/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Thu, 12/3/26 BAM! Gathering

Sat, 12/12/26 Parks Ford Rise & Shine

Sat, 12/12/26 BAM! Board Meeting

Sat 12/19/26 BAM! Christmas Party

Some events are still in work. Fliers will be out when events are finalized.

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!



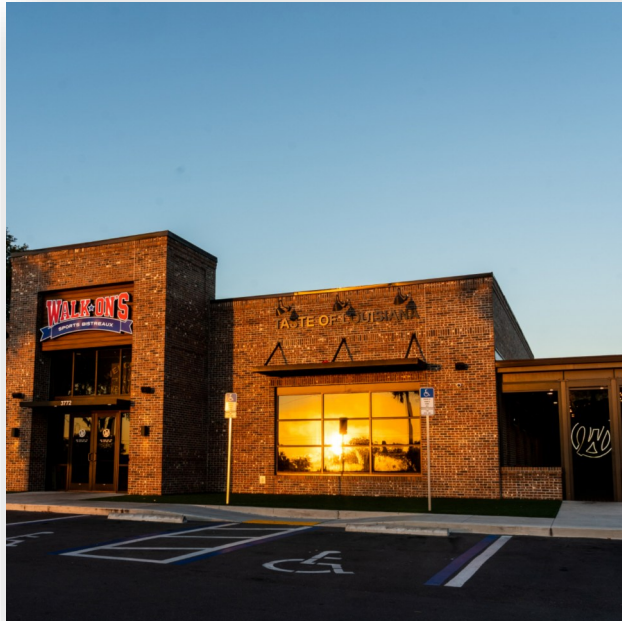
Parks Ford of Wesley Chapel Welcomes You!

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.