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MY 21ST SHOW IN MY 2011 V6 MUSTANG - BY RICK MITCHELL

On Sunday, May 5, I planned to drive to Maryland's Eastern Shore for about a 64-mile run to the 40th Annual Spring Car Show, held by one of my groups, the Chesapeake Classic Car Club, located in Easton. This is one of the better associations in Maryland that consistently holds great car shows that are well run and enjoyable to attend. This event was open to all makes, models and years of cars and trucks.

This show usually uses a team of independent judges with score sheets to pick the winners, which I prefer. The event is held on the wide open lawn of VFW Post 5118, which is an excellent location with food served nearby in the hall. I have attended many of CCCC's shows going back to 2010 and have always liked them. As we got closer to the show's date, though, it was clear that the weekend weather was a rain out, and so the club sent an email stating that the, "Car show is POSTPONED due to the rain."

The new date was May 26, on the Sunday before Memorial Day. The weather warmed into the middle '80's by that weekend after dodging storms for most of the week before. I traveled to the show and caught up with Leo Howard and his '08 Mustang GT convertible by 8:45am. It looked like I had time before the judges started their rounds, so I spent the next hour recleaning everything on my Mustang.

When I attended this show last year, our cars were judged by an independent company called Shamrock Appraisers. Each judge wore a green polo shirt and individually judged a number of the entrants using what appeared to be score sheets. The team of judges usually started by 9:30am or so, and when they were finished, they turned over their results to the club as the basis for selecting the trophy winners who were announced that afternoon. The show flyer for this year again specifically stated, "Independent Judges."



So Leo and I had our two Mustangs ready for our judge's inspection that morning. While we were there waiting, Leo counted the number of entries at about 64 cars and trucks. This was way down from what this club usually draws for their spring show. Was this due to the long holiday weekend? Or did a number of entrants make other plans? It was otherwise a perfect day for a show. Soon 9:30 came and went with no judges looking at our cars. So did 10:30, 11:30 and 12:30, and then we were well into the afternoon. In the interim, we started seeing a few cars entered in the show packing up and leaving.

Finally, by about 1:15pm, one of the club's officers walked up and down the rows of show cars and trucks with a clipboard, and he paused long enough at each to write down their entry numbers. No judging was done, just writing down the numbers. Then, about 40 minutes later, we were called forward for trophy time. There were 45 awards, and the winners

were called out by their numbers only with no names or descriptions of their cars or trucks. If someone else had left early then their trophy was passed on to the next number on the list, which this club usually does at their events and I tend to agree with.

And then the show was generally over. We were never told what happened with the independent judging or how the winners were selected. Somehow the outside judges did not appear and the club was running out of time, so they selected their winners as best they could under the circumstances to bring the show to a conclusion on time. Both Leo and I were fortunate to receive awards. I had never experienced anything like this day before

We will feature several of the more interesting entries from this show in our feature photo issues of MITCHELL MOTORSPORTS this month.

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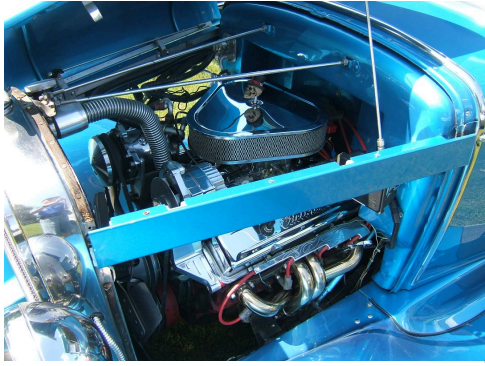
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