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***MY FIFTH SHOW IN MY 2015 FUSION! - BY RICK MITCHELL***

I have attended the excellent Greensboro Lions Club's annual summer show many times over the past ten years and have always enjoyed their events, and so I jumped at the opportunity to go again this time to their 11th Annual Marty Gangemi Memorial Car Show, to be held on Saturday, May 31, 2025. This event is located on the parking area of the Greensboro Elementary School on North Main Street, a relatively new location where the macadam is perfect for setting up our cars.

The ride is 72 miles requiring crossing our magnificent Chesapeake Bay Bridge twice, which I greatly enjoy as the views of the bay off to the sides are always impressive, and then heading east toward our Eastern Shore, but then exiting from Rt 50 to head north on Rt 404 and driving to Greensboro, with many miles of ploughed fields and occasional farmhouses to look at. It is an hour and a half run but enjoyable as I drive well into the country while listening to Sirius XM! The town of Greensboro most likely looks much the same now as it did over a hundred years ago. It is like driving through a movie location!



These are incredibly well run shows that are open to all makes and models of cars and trucks. In the past it was not unusual to see Model T Fords on the lot that were well over 100 years old but looked like new, parked next to current generation cars! This is also a judged event usually by an independent appraising company, with 50 Top Choice trophies available and a few other specialty awards. Most of the entries visit from Maryland and nearby Delaware, with an excellent assortment of Ford products from over the years in the mix that are in excellent condition, so bring a camera as there is plenty to see and take pictures of! Best of all the members of the Greensboro Lions who run these shows are excellent to work with. It is a long trip to Greensboro, but a good ride and well worth the time to visit!

As we approached the weekend before, the forecast for Greensboro kept changing, with the threat of storms on Friday evening and then off and on on Saturday, our show day. The Greensboro Lions then decided to move the show to their rain date on the next day, Sunday, June 1. Friday looked clear through the late afternoon though, so I pulled my Fusion onto the driveway and really cleaned it rather than bluff my way through. If they were judging on cleanliness and condition then the condition had better be clean! My wheel wells were full of sand embedded in the liners, and my interior still had four shows' worth of leftover pollen needing cleaning. My Fusion is, after all, my daily driver, and it needed some TLC!





While I was working, a Poppy Red '65 Mustang convertible drove by. About a year ago, a neighbor lady stopped to chat while I cleaned my Mustang. She said she owned an early Mustang but seldom drove it, and it sat in their garage most of the time. I said it would be nice to see, but that never happened. Today her husband drove her Mustang by and stopped, and there it was, for real! This Mustang was a birthday surprise for his wife. They were visiting Ocean City, MD, our famous resort, when one day he and his wife walked out of their hotel. The valet said he would bring their car around. At this time one of their adult kids drove up in the Mustang and handed her the keys! This was a complete surprise for her birthday!

At sunrise on Sunday morning I found my Fusion was once again covered with overnight humidity requiring another wiping down, but this was like rewashing my car without a hose and water! I left home by 7am and drove toward our Baltimore beltway, but I had to reroute from one of our secondary roads as a tree had fallen overnight and blocked the lanes. I arrived on site by 8:40am, and two of my Mustang friends were already there, Leo with his '08 GT convertible and John with his '66 GT coupe. They told me to register as the judges were starting at 9am!



I signed in and started setting up my Fusion. On the same road earlier where the tree fell there was a water runoff that kicked up debris into my wheel wells again, but otherwise a routine once over was sufficient. By 9:35am, my judge was standing near my car ready to look it over. It was that close! He reviewed my Fusion while I stayed out of the way. When he finished, I asked how many Fusions he had seen at the shows?! He replied, "None!" We then chatted about the Fusions in general, and then he commented on how nicely kept my car looked, which I took as a good sign.

After this I was free to photograph the many other cars and trucks. As the morning passed, there were 125 entrants in the show, which I believe was the highest number to attend a Greensboro Lions event. There was also an incredible number of restored Ford and Mercury cars and trucks onsite, and I took pictures of many for our show stories. Because the judging started so early, the club called everyone forward for trophy time at 1:30pm. They awarded their Top 50 trophies first, which were very nice looking awards. But as the many trophies were given out, neither Leo nor John nor I were called. Today was just not our day! As I heard later, there were only five awards given to the cars from 1980 and newer. This was a very tight competition.





Overall, my Fusion handled well for the day with an average of over 34mpg on this trip, its personal best, with mostly driving at speed on the interstates between Baltimore and Maryland's Eastern Shore and back. The return trip was also smooth and uneventful, which was unusual as there is usually heavy traffic from Ocean City vacationers when approaching our Bay Bridge. We were now entering the busy part of our summer show schedule, and I looked forward to taking my Fusion again to future events this year!

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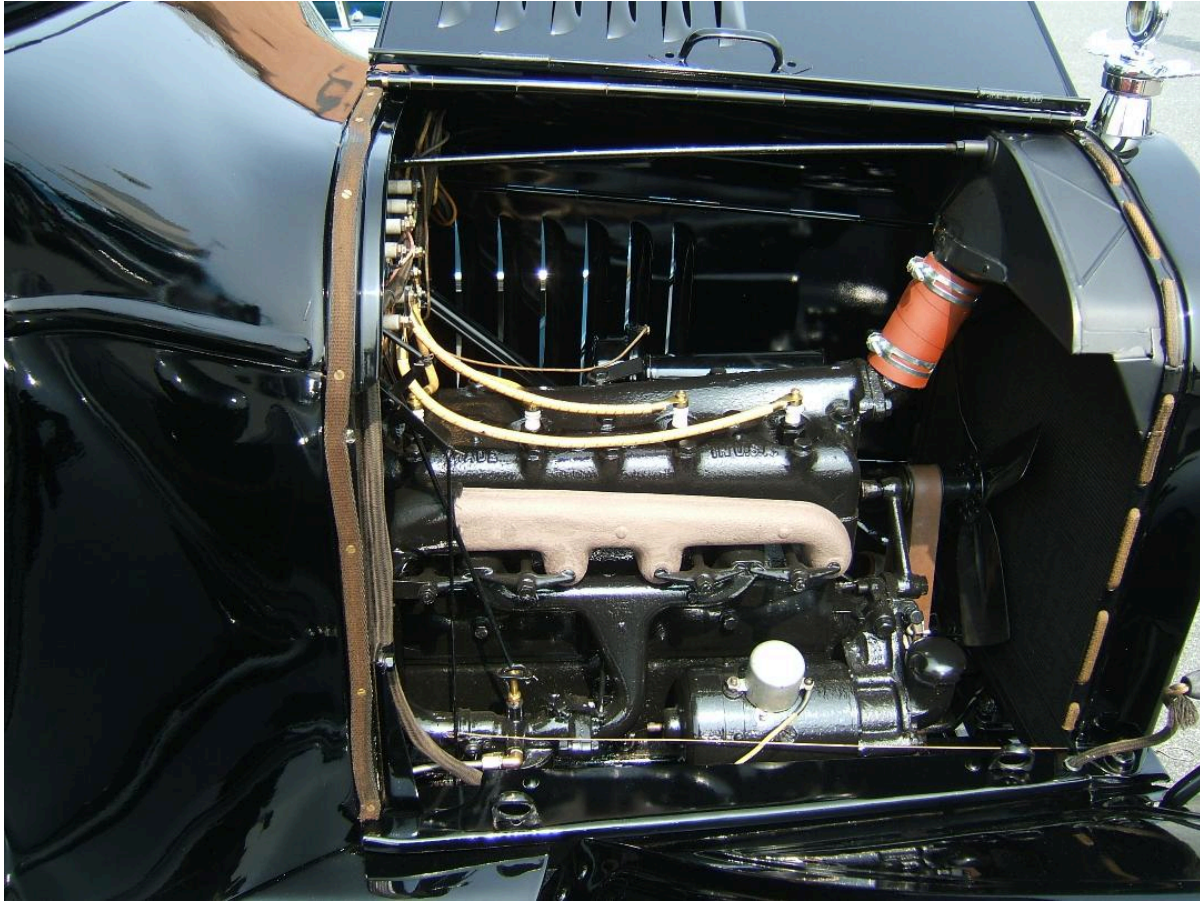
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