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CLAW IN 08 REVIEW

Story by Heather Whitaker
Photos by Scott Ferguson
and Robert Nowland.



The Wellinbrinks' replica old time Shell gas station.

The auto lawn art most of us would also like to own.

As the old saying goes...another year's in the bag and our annual two-day event is being touted as one of the best – in cat parlance, a pick of the litter. Once again, Myron Pajak has managed to come up with fantastic and perhaps little-known destinations for our Saturday Mystery Cruise, and even though the weather this year was a tad "damp", participants simply brought out their daily drivers (except Dave Johnson, Robert Nowland, and George Gill). At the appointed time with wipers...wiping, it was off to our first destination, the Wellenbrinks' home in Cloverdale. Harold's collection of memorabilia is smaller than some, but it covers an amazing diversity pinpointing milestones from his life as a racer to his employment with the phone company. He and his wife



The Wellinbrinks' own little malt shop

have a large, beautiful yard where there's even more nifty stuff like a relic Ford roadster in the corner garden and a gas pump on the sundeck. There's an old employee time clock, a cord switchboard, countless telephones and even a "malt shop" in the back of the garage, but perhaps Harold's most recognizable collectible is his beautiful 52 Meteor named *Cool Blue* which visits shows all around the Lower Mainland every summer.

Tearing ourselves away from Harold's fascinating stories, we headed off to our next stop a little further east and south,



The theme of the day seemed to be replica gas stations like the Stebanuks' Texaco.

the home of Audrey and Gord Stebanuk,. This couple obviously has boundless energy judging from the sheer volume and impeccable organization of their property and collectibles. There are four buildings besides their gorgeous home, each one holding more surprises than the last. We began with a brief look at Gord's paint shop, then on to a building housing 28 vehicles, (Claw In Review continued on page 9)



A couple of the Fordnutz vehicles invading the property of the Stebanuks.

[Fordnutz Cougar Club Introduction](#)

The **Fordnutz Cougar Club** is a not for profit Cougar club, however some of our members own other marquee Ford and Mercury vehicles as well, so it was decided that the club should expand to include other “**ORPHAN FORDS**” (Ford, Mercury and Lincoln cars and trucks that do not have an existing club). We do not require vehicles to be in “**SHOW CONDITION**”. As a matter of fact the best way to find that special vehicle, parts or restoration information and experience is by joining and participating in a club. **Fordnutz monthly meetings** are held at **ABC Country Restaurant**, 19219 Hwy 10, Surrey, BC at 7 PM on the second Tuesday of each month. **Visitors are always welcome**. Fordnutz has a **Vendor Discount Program** with various businesses to aid our members in the repair or restoration of their vehicles. The newsletter is published 6 times annually and distributed to club members. It is also sent around North America to other Cougar clubs as well as to other “**FORD FAMILY**” car clubs in Greater Vancouver. Members may place an ad to run in 3 issues and on the internet site for 6 months free of charge, non-members may place an ad for the same amount of time for a \$10.00 fee. Businesses may place a business card ad in the Nutz Letter for an annual fee of \$50.00. Article deadlines are the 15th day of the month before publication (example: Dec 15th for the Jan/Feb publication). Interested parties may contact **Scott Ferguson** at **(604) 591-FORD** or **e-mail: president@fordnutz.org**, or at the club mailing address:

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[Top Cat's Report By Scott Ferguson](#)

Claw In has come and gone for another year and I want to thank the show volunteers who came out to help on Sunday. There was not much participation in the planning stage this year, but we were able to pull it off anyway. We do need more volunteers to help with the show planning process as it is just too much for a couple of people to do on their own. Please get involved with the planning of Claw In. We need to hear from volunteers before the end of September, or it may be cancelled for 2009.

Some interesting information about Claw In 08. There were 48 pre-registered entries (we usually have just under 40) with 52 show day entries (which is up from our usual 35 to 40) for a total of 100. We had lots of great feedback during and after the event with most comments being on the great venue, parking the show cars on the grass, and how well run our event is. We did have some problems that we did not plan for, but are hopeful we can resolve the issues for next time. We base our classes and parking on previous years' shows but found we had way more in some classes than we'd had in the past. The Mopar class was one that needed much more space this year and we may go to first and second place in all classes in the future. We had to close the gate and prevent cars from entering the show field when registration closed, however quite a few nice cars showed up after the registration area was closed and we had to turn them away. Surrey Parks let us hold the event on the grass at Hawthorne Park with a promise to put “diapers” under the cars to guard against any environmental damage due to fluid leaks, so when registration closed there was no one to insure waivers were signed and to give out “diapers”. If we have more volunteers in future, we could leave registration open much longer to resolve this problem. I have heard from Surrey Parks and they are quite happy with how Fordnutz, and the show participants, treated the park facilities and have said that we are welcome to hold our event there again. So let's hear from you volunteers, so we can start planning now.

If you are interested in volunteering, or have any ideas and comments, don't hesitate to contact me at 604-591-3673, at the club address above or by e-mail at President@Fordnutz.org.

[A Word from the Vice By Grant Hadland](#)

After a busy summer with a decent amount of warm weather for the majority of car shows, we are now faced with ever shorter day-light hours and fewer events to attend.

By most accounts *Claw In 2008* was another awesome annual event. Successfully held in a new venue, Hawthorne Park, most expectations were exceeded. Support from 'drive in' car enthusiasts and local clubs was very evident with over 100 entrants. A number of park enthusiasts took their time to admire the cars and talk to owners. *Fordnutz* members stepped in to volunteer their time. Glitches were minimal, the weather cooperated, and participant praise was plentiful.

A special thanks to the show volunteers for assisting with site set up, registration, parking, ballot counting and ticket sales. Also, we should especially acknowledge the tireless efforts of both Scott Ferguson and Heather Whitaker. Through their efforts and the efforts of the many volunteers, the *Claw In* remains a favourite summer show.

Soon, we will be discussing, debating and holding meetings to determine if, where and when the next *Claw In* will be held. Meanwhile, savour the cooler fall weather just around the corner. Some of the most pleasurable and scenic Sunday drives happen in the fall.

Until next 'Nutz Letter, enjoy the drive. Be safe and if you have any comments concerning the *Claw In* please contact your club executive. I can be reached by phone at 604-531-9373 or by e-mail at VicePres@fordnutz.org.

Welcome to the "DEN" by Scott Ferguson

Well summer is suddenly here (we seemed to have missed the gradually warming spring weather this year) so enjoy it while it lasts. I hope many of you take advantage of the weather to get out in your classic to attend some of the many upcoming events. Those of you still due for membership renewal, who have not done so yet, will be receiving a final notice in the mail.

New Members:

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to our newest *Den* members:

200 Simon Fisher of Richmond has joined with a 2 yr E-M. Simon owns a 1969 Mercury Cougar Convertible.

Recent Renewals:

Thanks go out to these members for their ongoing commitment. Your continued support is acknowledged and appreciated.

- # 4 Linda and Phil Humphrey of Kamloops, BC. 1 yr Reg.
- # 27 Guy Stromsten of Mission, BC with a 1 yr Reg.
- # 65 Alex and Carla Bronevitch of New Westminster, BC with a 1 yr E-M.
- # 75 Clay Magnusson of New Westminster, BC with a 1 yr E-M.
- # 104 Karl and LaDonna Gehlhaar of Olympia, WA with a 2 yr E-M.
- # 133 Al and Joan Gibson of Port Coquitlam, BC. 2 yr E-M.
- # 174 Jon Cuhat of Vancouver, BC with a 2 yr Reg.
- # 176 Rob and Krystina Hains of Surrey, BC with a 2 yr Reg.
- # 184 Lee and Sonda Fisher of Surrey, BC. 1 yr E-M.
- # 187 Dwayne and Sloan Fisher of Vernon, BC with a 2 yr Reg.
- # 189 Buff and Ellen Oldridge of Lions Bay, BC with a 1 yr Reg.
- # 191 Ken and Julie Joseph of Aldergrove, BC with a 2 yr Reg.
- # 192 David Johnson of Sechelt, BC with a 1 yr E-M.

If you have any membership status issues, questions, comments or concerns please contact me at 604-591-3673 or e-mail Membership@Fordnutz.org . Please keep me informed of any changes to your address, contact numbers and e-mail, or vehicle status so we can keep the club database current and your newsletter arriving at the correct destination.

Events by Heather Whitaker

Photos by Kim Friesen, Alex Bronevitch, Robert Nowland, and Scott Ferguson

Holy cow, there's been a lot of activity over the past couple of months! So grab a coffee and settle in for the long haul. Wa-a-y back on July 1st we had a small but feisty group gather for the Friesens' Canada Day Cruise and BBQ. Jim Ferguson drove his Cougar, Kim & Cindy Friesen, Heather Friesen, Myron & Tuula Pajak, and Steve O'Connell drove their Mustangs, the Hadlands brought their Mazda and Scott and I drove in...my Cougar. Despite the usual complaints about messy hair, loud exhaust, no stereo and my driving in general, we survived the cruise in relative civility. Upon returning to the Friesen estate, we were joined by Don & Connie Wicklund (& grandson Hunter) and Harry & Irma Peters for a delicious array of food served in a shady, relaxed atmosphere. Thanks for the great time, Kim & Cindy! On July 13th, I headed off to the Big M show in Steveston. Scott couldn't make it as he had to meet with prospective fencing contractors, but Jim Ferguson and Dean Henschke swung by to travel with me for the drive to the show. It was a great day with a record-breaking 150 vehicles taking in the venue. After working on his tan, Al Gibson took the Best Big Bird award, Alex & Carla took 2nd in Modified and I took 1st in Cougar. I also signed up a new member, Simon Fisher whom I introduced to the gang including Kim & Cindy, Ove and Myron who had dropped by for a chat and to look at the vehicles. The weekend of the 27th was a busy one being the three-day event hosted by the Galaxie Club as well as Cascade's Prowl in Issaquah. Alex has really got his Galaxie Club running on all cylinders these days, organizing a show weekend with a variety of activities sure to please everyone. The Twilight Drive-in Theatre was the first activity on Friday evening. A couple of Fordnutz members joined the Galaxie gang for some socializing and to view *Get Smart* and *Dark Knight*. On Saturday there was a cruise to Granny & Grumpa's place in Abbotsford where representatives from Fordnutz and three other clubs gathered to look over a collection of "nifty stuff". Jim Ferguson took lots of pictures which can be viewed at http://s519.photobucket.com/albums/u356/jimf_bucket/Galaxie%20tour/?albumview=link Then there was the show on Sunday which, like Big M, had record attendance with over 123 vehicles on site and many more turned away at the gate. Mark Gazzola and John Yamamoto took 1st in their respective classes and Al Gibson took 3rd in his. On the same weekend, Scott and I rounded out our vacation in



The Canada Day cruisers at the Mission Abbey.



The Galaxie Club show was a great success.

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Secretary's Report By Lorne and Betty Pirson

Minutes for the Fordnutz monthly meeting 8 July, 2008 at ABC Country Restaurant

Meeting commenced: 7:04 pm, chaired by Scott Ferguson. Member introductions: Scott Ferguson, Heather Whitaker, Ove Sorli, Harry & Irma Peters, Bruce Deverill, Steve O'Connell, John Renshaw, Kristin Martin, John Edwards, Don Wicklund, Rob & Kirsten Waine, Dean & Liane Henschke, Kim & Cindy Friesen and Jim Ferguson.

President's Report (Scott): We have 19 pre-registered for Claw In and 5 for the Saturday dinner. He read a memo from work on road rage.

VP's Report (Grant): absent

Secretary's Report (Heather): The June minutes were read.

Treasurer's Report (Cindy): Bank: 1060.86, Kitty: 1.91, Claw In: 1470.55, SPCA: 168.66, US Kitty: 40.00.

Membership Report (Scott): We have no new members but have 9 renewals. We now have 88 active members.

Events Report (Heather): Cascade's Dam Cruise was cancelled but Kim's cruise on July 1st was a great success. Five vehicles participated and two additional families joined the group for the BBQ dinner. Over a dozen upcoming events were announced with special attention to the Galaxie Club's July 25/6/7 weekend activities. A cake-baker is needed for August. Dean went to Woody's Pub and reported there were too many bikers and when they began to do tattoos in the parking lot, he figured it was time to leave. Scott talked about the last visit to Jim Ratsoy's place.

Cake Break: Irma Peters treated us to fabulous rhubarb and pear pies – birthday pies are a great idea!

Draw Prizes and 50/50 Question (Kim): How many 69 Cougars came with Boss 302's? Hint: under 200. Dean won a whopping \$5.69 for his answer of 180 which was closest to the right answer – 169. Kim asked how many were automatics and Dean said none, which was correct. Draw prize winners were: Dean (BBQ brush/car wash), Scott: GoJo hand cleaner, Jim: No Touch tire cleaner, Bruce: bucket-o-bungees, Ove: CD tote.

New Business: Jim Ferguson donated a cordless drill for Claw In. Heather brought a 1943 leather license plate she found at her parents' home and read an article from the Lions Gate V8 newsletter on the rarity of old plates and their potential values.

Attendance Draw: the winner of a telescoping flashlight was Steve O'Connell.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35.

Minutes for the Fordnutz monthly meeting 12 August, 2008 at ABC Country Restaurant

Meeting came to order @ 7:07 p.m., chaired by Scott Ferguson. Members introductions: Scott Ferguson, Heather Whitaker, Kim & Cindy Friesen, Grant & Maurlice Hadland, Lorne & Betty Pirson, Chuck Wong, Jim Ferguson, Ove Sorli, Terry Robertson, Dean Henschke, John Renshaw, Don Wicklund, John Yamamoto, Joan & Al Gibson and Rob Waine.

President's Report (Scott): We will be having a discussion later about the Claw In. Thanks to Myron for organizing the mystery cruise. A very lengthy report can be seen in the newsletter.

VP's Report (Grant): Claw In was a well-attended event with lots of spectators and good things mentioned about the new venue being nice park. Having power supplied was a bonus so we didn't need a generator. It's a good dog-walking park. Grant showed us an article in the National Post which mentions Ford bringing in smaller cars and keeping the Mercury name.

Secretary's Report (Lorne): He read Heather's minutes due to our absence last month.

Treasurer's Report (Cindy): Bank: 1210.18/ Kitty: 43.82, Claw In: 1601.16, SPCA: 168.66, US Kitty: 40.00.

Membership Report (Scott): 1 new member and 11 renewals for a total of 89 active members.

Events Report (Heather): The Big M show was attended by Heather, Dean, Jim and Al. There was a record turnout of 150. Heather took 1st in Cougar and I couldn't keep up with "motor" mouth (she reads really fast). See the complete report in the newsletter. There were 19 Fordnutz members at the mystery cruise.

Ford Car Club Council Report (Heather): Next meeting Sept. 23, 2008.

Kim Bob showed us the prizes for tonight's raffle. 50/50 Question (Kim): Trivia Q: (\$2 per guess) In a 1970 Cougar which was the least popular option? A) vinyl roof B) console C) Power disc brakes D) A/C E) A.M. Radio

Cake break was Scott's leftover birthday cake but we had a small turnout so there was enough to go around with extras. Yummy.

August birthdays were announced. Here tonight are Scott and Betty and a Happy Birthday to the rest of you.

Claw In Discussion: Thanks again to Kim for the early pick up of the trailer to tow to the show. What a cool dude you are Kim-Bob. Jim gets a thanks for staying behind to pick up any litter left behind after the event - another good guy. With little or no help prior to the show we could be looking at cancelling in future if we don't get more support from our members. Although more people stepped up on the day, and it ran on time, help was desperately needed for the planning. Other positive comments were: nice park, helpful volunteers, lots of shade, nice trophies, some mentioned they were quite touched by the memorial speeches, others mentioned the awards ceremony was upbeat and entertaining. Photos taken with Fordnutz banner were appreciated (thanks to Robert Nowland). People liked the covered picnic area and the ballot counting went very quickly. On the negative side (only a few) the men's room was out of order but the ladies' was immaculate, a shortage of some parking for classes (unforeseen large turnout for a particular class but glad to have them). The food was enjoyed and the music and trivia as well. We did have 100 registered (21 were Cougars). A lengthy discussion was held with ideas on how to delegate jobs to take some of the load off Scott and Heather. Further discussion with possible lists of duties to be presented at upcoming meetings. If we don't see more help forthcoming you can look forward to the end of the Claw In and that would be a shame as it is enjoyed by so many.

Raffle Winners:- Tickets drawn by Kim-Bob went to: Chuck-large tool bag, Terry-small tool bag, Dean-auto wipes/electrician's

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- 50 B** — The brand new Mercury Cougar was first introduced to the public at Principal Motors in Monterey, California.
- 49 A** — Sheffield Silver Metallic was only offered as an exterior paint option during the 1967 model year. The 429 didn't become an actual Cougar option until the 1971 model year.
- 48 D** — The quote attributed to "Dyno" Don was made in reference to the Boss 429 engine. Lincoln-Mercury produced two 1970 model year cars with Boss 429 engines, one of which was given to drag racer Don Nicholson to develop as a race car. Moore. Another modified 1967 TransAm Cougar was driven by Swede Savage.
- 47 C** — Dewayne "Tiny" Lund won NASCAR's 1968 Grand American series driver championship in the #16 car driven by Dan Gurney in the 1967 TransAm race series. The car was one of at least two former TransAm cars modified by Bud Moore. Another modified 1967 TransAm Cougar was driven by Swede Savage.
- 46 B** — One out of every seven Cougars produced during the 1967 and 1968 model years was painted Lime Frost Green (Color code I).
- 45 C** — Cougar #1 was restored by Elaine and Jim Pinkerton, and they live in Snohomish, Washington.
- 44 D** — Ford eliminated the Mustang platform on which the Cougar had been based from 1967 through 1973. For the 1974 model year, Lincoln-Mercury had a choice between downsizing the Cougar to the Mustang II chassis or upsizing to the mid-size Torino platform. They chose to upsize the Car.
- 43 B** — Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated on April 4, 1968, so the Cougar in Mercury dealer showrooms was the 1968 model.
- 42 B** — Three-point safety restraints for front seat occupants became standard equipment mid-way through the 1968 model year, but 1969 was the first full model year in which three-point belts were standard equipment.
- 41 D** — Ed Leslie was one of the three principal drivers on the Lincoln-Mercury TransAm Cougar team that finished second in manufacturer championship points during the 1967 season. The other primary drivers were Parnelli Jones and Team Captain, Dan Gurney.
- 40 B** — The model year code in this VIN (the first digit) says the car is a 1968 model, but the body series code (94) is for an XR-7 convertible. Classic Cougars weren't available in a convertible body style until 1969.

CLASSIC COUGAR TRIVIA CHALLENGE ANSWERS

Fordnutz Birthday Cats by Scott Ferguson

September birthdays include: Clay Magnusson, Myron Pajak, and Carol Bingaman on the 7th, Dan Cornelsen on the 9th, Joyce Bilodeau on the 10th, and Ken Joseph on the 24th.

October babes include: Druce Deverill on the 2nd, Marty Foss, Marlene Gazzola, and Sloan Fisher on the 10th, Grant Hadland on the 13th, Tom Wood and Wayne Bousquet on the 17th, John Edwards on the 21st, Heather Whitaker on the 23rd, Clare Gill and Erin Potts on the 25th, Leo Obstbaum on the 26th, Jay Coleman on the 29th, and Elaine Pinkerton on the 30th.

Happy Birthday one and all.

If you have a birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion that you want listed in the newsletter, please let Scott know.

In The Kitty (Treasurer's Report) By Kim and Cindy Friesen

As of June 17/08		Expenses:	
Bank	\$1128.20	Newsletter	\$ 152.90
Kitty	1.91	Claw-In	1743.36
Claw-In	<u>1470.55</u>	Miscellaneous	83.75
	\$2600.66	Door Prizes	<u>106.27</u>
			\$2086.28
Income:		Bank Balance as of August 18/08	
New Members(3)	\$ 105.00	Bank	\$1558.15
Renewals(18)	581.26	Kitty	13.21
Raffles	97.91	Claw-In	<u>1527.86</u>
Claw-In	<u>1780.67</u>		\$3079.22
	\$2564.84	SPCA	\$ 171.33
		US Kitty	\$ 40.00

[Fordnutz Cougar Club Member Discounts](#)

Here is a list of the businesses that are kind enough to offer us discounts:

Tom The Tire Guy	13550-106th Ave., Surrey, BC (604) 581-8550 -Wholesale Prices
Wasney Used Ford Parts	6011 Trapp Rd., Burnaby, BC (604) 526-4266 -20% Used Parts
Cascade Classics	4616-114th Ave. East, Edgewood, WA (253) 863-5669 drcougar@cascadeclassics.com -10% Used Parts
KMS Tools	110 Woolridge St., Coquitlam, BC (604) 522-5599 -Cash Acct "Code A"
Decker's Autoplus	5380 Grimmer St., Burnaby, BC (604) 433-1243 -Cash Acct # 8128
Dams Lincoln Ford	14530-104th Ave., Surrey, BC (604) 588-8301 -20% Parts
Key West Ford	301 Stewardson Way, New Westminster, BC (604) 520-3047 -20% Parts
Lordco Parts	All Locations -Cash Acct #131398 10-30% Parts
Bert's Auto and Transmissions	885 Kingsway, Vancouver, BC (604) 879-6841 -20% Parts, 10% Labour
Ocean Park Ford	3050 King George Hwy., Surrey, BC (604) 531-6100 -Wholesale on parts
Discount Tire	White Rock location -Free labour with tire purchase
Doug's Auto Salvage	10705 Timberland Rd., Surrey, BC (604) 580-3439 -10% used parts
Surrey Automotive	10657-135A St., Surrey, BC (604) 581-0428 -20% on parts (no discount on machine work)
Urban Eyewear	103-22347 Lougheed Hwy, Maple Ridge, BC (604) 466-5764 -20% discount
Hardcore Holley	218-5678 199th St., Langley, BC (604) 671-7227 -10% discount with valid membership card

THE RULES: When you go to these businesses please try to be **nice** and **respectful**. In some cases the discounts are quite substantial and it is not worthwhile for the vendors to put up with any kind of a hassle, as they are not making a lot of money from us. Some of these vendors are giving us a discount on products and/or services on everything they sell across the board, others, the discount varies with the different items. **Sale items are not included in the discount program, so don't try to grind them on it.** You are required to **present your membership card before purchasing any item at a discounted price. No membership card, no discount.**

[FOR SALE/WANTED](#)

Cars and Parts for Sale: 1969 Cougar body shell only, original paint with minimal rust \$1500. 1970 body shell with doors, fenders, hood, trunk, front and rear suspension and diff. Lots of new metal - no rust \$2500. Many other 69-70 Cougar parts. 604-853-5102 Kim (07/07).

Car For Sale: 1997 Mustang Cobra, original owner, 153,000 km, Pacific Green with Saddle leather interior, all options (everything works), two extra Cobra rims. All major components are filled with synthetic fluid. Asking \$16,500 OBO. Call Mark 604-325-6298 (11/07).

Engine For Sale: Rebuilt 390 (supposedly from a Cougar) C8AE-H casting number. \$2,500.00 OBO. Don 604-856-1475 or e-mail doncon2@telus.net (05/08)

Car For Sale: 1973 Cougar XR-7 convertible with 351-4V Cobra Jet engine [Q code]. Excellent rust free car with 75,000 miles - bright red exterior with white interior. All options except air. Has car history and original invoice to Zephyr Motors, Vancouver. Car is in Ladysmith. Send e-mail to Pat Phillips at lostinthe50s@shaw.ca with your phone number for a return call. Selling price is \$17,750 (05/08).

Parts For Sale: 1969-70 351 intake manifold with 600 cfm Holley carb, hot tanked & painted, ready to be mounted \$250.00, 69-70 Cougar front valance \$150.00, 69-70 Cougar rear valance \$125.00, new front bumper rubber mouldings \$40.00, new rim blow horn kit \$150.00, 4 Michelin tires 205 x 75r x14 on 14" chrome spoke dished rims 5 bolt 4 1/2 centers on Ford rims \$ 500.00 or best offers 604-272-3846 John (05/08).

Engine For Sale: Rebuilt Ford 255 (4.2 L) V8: block planed, bored 40 thousand over stock, 10 thousand under on the crank, new valves, lifters, cam, diamond precision cut horsepower pistons, painted in Ford colours, etc. Never used. Asking \$800.00 (negotiable), comes with engine stand. John Renshaw 604-520-5646 (09/08).

Car For Sale: 1980 Ford Thunderbird, 25 yr Silver Anniversary Edition. Fully loaded, power everything, 302 automatic overdrive, sun roof, all silver inside and out. All features were special ordered by original owner. Spare set of original tires and mags! \$500.00 OBO John Renshaw 604-520-5646 (09/08).

Cougar Parts Wanted: Looking for the passenger side headlight assembly the bakelite piece the lights actually attach to and the assembly forms part of the front grill for 1971 Cougar. Greg 780 582 4101 or e-mail fal@persona.ca (05/08).

Car For Sale: 1958 Ford Fairlane 500 Retractable. 108,000 miles on rebuilt 352 V8. Offers in high \$30,000.00 range. George 604-597-3555 or e-mail retract@shaw.ca (07/08).

Event List for September/October 2008**SEPTEMBER:**

01	ILWU Show & Shine	Open	Surrey, BC	(778) 238-3800
* 01	C.F.F.C.C. Picnic	Open	Langley, BC	(604) 589-2451
01	Fall Ford Fest	Fords	Graham, Wa	(253) 852-9344
05-07	Kelowna Show & Shine	Open	Kelowna, BC	(888) 484-5384
05-07	Langley Good Times Cruise-In	Open	Langley, BC	(604) 533-7575
06	Hot Autumn Nites	Open	Edmonds, Wa	(425) 771-9128
06-07	Run to the End of the World		Long Beach, Wa	(360) 665-3565
07	Whatcom County Mini Meet	Open	Ferndale, Wa	(360) 312-0758
07	XXX Mega Cruise		Issaquah, Wa	(425) 392-1266
12-14	Kamloops SRA Fun Run	Pre-72	Pritchard, BC	(250) 578-8125
13	Endless Summer Show & Shine	Open	Summerland, BC	(250) 404-0447
13	Speed and Chrome Open Show	Open	Bellingham, Wa.	(360) 305-2310
13	Cruise into Fall		Enumclaw, Wa	(360) 825-6343
14	Rumble To The Rock (Squamish S&S)	Open	Squamish, BC	(604) 898-4177
14	JJ's Founders Day Show & Shine	Open	S. Woolley, Wa	(360) 592-4055
14	Jolly Mac's 1st Annual Show & Shine	Open	Surrey, BC	(604) 584-4262
14	All Ford Meet (XXX)		Issaquah, Wa	(425) 387-9450
18	A&W Summer Wrap Up Party	Open	Maple Ridge, BC	(604) 463-5712
20	Historic Downtown Abbotsford Car Show	Open	Abbotsford, BC	(604) 857-4915
20	Columbia Val. Classics Show & Shine	Open	Radium HS, BC	(250) 347-2269
20	Summers End Run		Lacey, Wa	(360) 791-8376
21	All Ford Show		Snohomish, Wa	(425) 334-4045
21	Cat & Fiddle Hogs & Rods Show	Open	Pt Coquitlam, BC	(604) 649-4823
21	Gold Rush Toy Run & Show/Shine	Open	100 Mile H., BC	(250) 395-6157
21	Victoria Toy Run	Open	Victoria, BC	(250) 881-1423
26	Model Show		Silvana, Wa	(360) 654-0966
26-28	Creston Val. Fall Campout & Show/Shine	Open	Creston, BC	(250) 428-5900
27	Island Customs Christmas Children's Run	Open	Ladysmith, BC	(250) 245-0030
28	Snohomish Classic/Hot Rod Display	Open	Snohomish, Wa	(360) 568-2526

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03-05	6th Wings & Wheels Festival	Open	Wenatchee, Wa.	(509) 884-7053
05	13th Kamloops Pumpkin Run	Open	Kamloops, BC	(250) 372-5339
05	Golden Ears VCCC Fall Swap Meet		Maple Ridge, BC	(604) 467-4770
11-12	40th Monroe Fall Swap Meet		Monroe, Wa.	(360) 738-4683
18-19	Abbotsford Collector Car Show/Auction	Show	Abbotsford, BC	(604) 514-2277
26	Elites Punkin Run	Open	Bellingham, Wa.	(360) 380-2733

...and if that isn't enough, check out Harrisons, Goodguys and Cruzin' for a more complete list of events in your area.

*** Event of the month**

...and check your local A&W Restaurants for their "cruise" schedule. Events began in earnest in May.

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tape, Lorne-auto wipes/electrician's tape, Scott- O rings (probably o-no rings for him), Don-T-shirt /Hot Wheels car, Betty-Canada backpack and Rob-auto fan. Trivia Answer: After no one getting it correct the first time a second guess was done and winning \$6 for the correct guess of Console was Bang on Betty (yours truly). Attendance Draw: Winner was Rob Waine and he takes home a calculator.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

History

Our club historian, Heather Whitaker, would like a recent photo of yourself and your car to eventually become part of the members only webpage. Please take a minute to send one to Heather, care of Fordnutz, and don't forget to include your name. You may send these to 11560 72A Avenue, Delta, B.C. V4C 1A9. Or e-mail them to: Historian@Fordnutz.org.

ULTIMATE CLASSIC COUGAR TRIVIA CHALLENGE

COURTESY OF TCCN II (<http://www.TheClassicCougarNetwork.com>)

This is the sixth (and final) batch of trivia questions (50 total) that have been published in the NutzLetter over the past several issues.

Note: For the purposes of this trivia challenge, the term "classic Cougar" refers to regular production Mercury Cougars beginning with the 1967 model year through the 1973 model year.

- 40 Is the VIN code 8F94X530871 correct?
A) Yes B) No C) Maybe
- 41 What role did Ed Leslie play in classic Cougar history?
A) He led the L-M design studio team that designed the first Cougar
B) He was the marketing expert who suggested the name Cougar
C) He was the L-M engineer who designed Cougar's tail light sequencer
D) He was one of the three primary drivers of the 1967 TransAm Cougars
- 42 What was the first full model year in which three-point safety restraints were standard equipment on classic Cougars?
A) 1968 B) 1969 C) 1970 D) 1971
- 43 What model year Cougars were in dealer showrooms when this headline appeared on newspapers around the world: Civil Rights Leader Martin Luther King Jr. Assassinated in Memphis?
A) 1967 B) 1968 C) 1969 D) 1970
- 44 What was the primary reason Lincoln -Mercury up-sized the Cougar for 1974 model year?
A) Marketing trend toward larger, more luxurious cars B) Increased fuel economy
C) Ford mandated horsepower/wheelbase limitations D) Ford downsizing of the Mustang
- 45 The first production Cougar (sequential unit number 500001) has received a concours restoration. Where is this famous car located today?
A) Dearborn, Michigan B) Wister, Oklahoma C) Snohomish, Washington D) Lima, New York
- 46 On average, one out of every seven Cougars that rolled off the assembly lines during the 1967 and 1968 model years was painted the same color. What was the color?
A) Onyx Black (Code A) B) Lime Frost Green (Code I) C) Cardinal Red (Code T) D) Polar White (Code M)
- 47 Which driver won the 1968 NASCAR Grand American racing series championship driving a 1967 Cougar TransAm car modified for stock car racing by Bud Moore?
A) David Pearson B) Dan Gurney C) Tiny Lund D) Parnelli Jones
- 48 "Dyno" Don Nicholson is quoted as having said, "A dog, that motor. We put in a 427 so it would run better." What classic Cougar engine was he talking about?
A) 289 4V B) Boss 302 C) CJ 428 D) Boss 429
- 49 What was the only model year in which you could order a classic Cougar painted Sheffield Silver Metallic (Color code 4)?
A) 1967 B) 1969 C) 1971 D) 1973
- 50 The 1967 Cougar was initially introduced to the public at only one Mercury dealership. Where was that dealer located?
A) Dearborn, Michigan B) Monterey, California C) Long Island, New York D) Miami, Florida

Answers, if you need them, are on page 5

Cat Calls - 2008

By now, the list has been reduced to one event that Fordnutz members have traditionally attended and enjoyed as a group. Try to make it, whether you bring a car to display or if you just want to hang out.

September 1 Picnic in the Park (Cdn. Falcon Fairlane Comet Club), Langley, BC

604-463-4034

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Oregon by catching the Cascade Cougar Club Prowl in Issaquah, WA. 48 Cougars and 24 other makes attended this popular show. There were five Fordnutz Washington members, one from Arizona and three Canadians in attendance. In the 69 XR-7 class, Jim Ferguson took 1st, Rob Nowland took 2nd and Jim Compton 3rd. Dave Nashif claimed 2nd in 69-70 Stock Convertible and the Pinkertons took 3rd and Scott 2nd in G/GTE/Eliminator. The Beddomes were rewarded with a 2nd place in Modified Convertible as well as the long distance award and the Bingamans took 1st in Other Makes for their green 60 Dodge Phoenix. The Gehlhaars were in attendance but did not claim any hardware and Rob Waine *should* have received recognition for his support as he drove his daily driver all the way from Langley just to look over the show then headed back home. Cascade also had a unique award for members with military service in Iraq – now that’s something we don’t see every day.



Cascade’s Prowl 08 at the Triple XXX Root Beer in Issaquah, WA attracted 72 show cars.

As we headed into August Scott and I were beginning to feel the pressure of our own Claw In show which was fast-approaching, so we didn’t commit to the Totem T-bird venue on the 3rd. We did, however, take some time to visit the show, mingle with lots of people and distribute fliers. Alex, Myron, Ove and Don all had their cars on the show field, but I didn’t hear if we had any winners. By Monday, we needed some time away from “duties” so took Scott’s “G” to the Shelby show at Hallmark Ford in Surrey. Five members attended under hot, sunny skies where Julie Robertson, Guy Stromsten and Scott finished 3rd, 2nd and 1st respectively in the Cougar class. John Yamamoto picked up hardware in 69/70 Shelby and Terry Robertson took a 2nd for his beautiful old Ford truck. Terry’s truck always garners lots of attention and this time it was Alyn Edwards (a professional journalist) who spied it and wants to write an article. I’ll be contacting Terry to get details for a later report. The following weekend (August 9/10) was, of course, Fordnutz’ own show. (Catch all the details in my Claw In Review.) August 17th was quite a day! We were up early in anticipation of the GVMA annual Mustang Roundup, but were questioning our sanity as thunder crashed, lightning flashed and the rain fell in torrents while we ate breakfast. The storm passed, but dark clouds prevailed forcing my decision to put Coug’s top up for the drive to the beautiful show venue in east Langley. Once there, the skies cleared but man-oh-man did it get HOT! Detailing the car was literally “sweat shop” work and mid-day voting was a challenge to say the least. Apparently the combination of heat and humidity combined for a Humidex reading of 40C (over 100F) so even though there was a record turnout of 172 entries, the show field was devoid of movement. Most people spent the day sitting beneath sun shades waiting for the awards, but as the time approached, wouldn’t you know it, another storm hit. The hosting crew cleared their work area so people had shelter from the rain, but I must admit I was a little apprehensive sitting beneath a giant tent supported by tall metal poles as lightning flashed all around. In the awards department, Fordnutz’ eleven members secured us the Club Participation award and individually, Ray McDonald took a 1st for his glass top Mustang (05-08 Closed), Alex & Carla took 1st in Modified Ford with their 65 Custom, Terry Robertson took 2nd in Truck, John Yamamoto 3rd in 69-70 Shelby, Kim & Cindy 2nd in 05-08 Open Stock Mustang, Ove Sorli won in Ford, Tom Wood took a 3rd with his 69 Mustang as well as in Cougar, finishing behind myself and Scott (2nd & 1st). Jim Ferguson and Rob Waine also had their Cougars out but unfortunately came away empty-handed. Whew! Well, that’s it for now. Take heart - the next newsletter will have fewer events to report as the show season winds down toward winter. Enjoy the remainder of your summer.



Some of the Fordnutz members at the GVMA show that won awards.

Look for my Thursday night e-mail messages which will outline upcoming events for each subsequent weekend. Give me a call at 604-591-3673 or e-mail to events@fordnutz.org if you need information, want to volunteer or have suggestions for a club activity. You can also look further ahead by logging onto *Harrisons List* at www.autoeventlist.com or the *Goodguys Event Info* at www.goodguys.com.

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The Stebanuks’ “clean” work shop.

lots of which are for sale. A third building houses ATV’s, a motor home, 3 Chargers, 58 Edsel and a 28 deSoto which is one of only three made that year. Around the perimeter there’s a wire shelf chock full of models nose to tail. (Before leaving for the next building, Alex Bronevitch handed out special promotion cards for 5 cents/litre off Petro Canada gas and diesel – man, at the price of gas these days, that’s like winning the lottery. Thanks Alex!) Audrey has her own collectibles, some of which are displayed in a small store attached to another garage. The store is reminiscent of a 19th century drygoods/grocery store complete with wood-burning stove which is quite a contrast to the attached ga-

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Audrey's replica drygoods store.



Audrey proudly shows us her lovely garden and fish pond. If only I had my fishing rod.

rage with four heavy duty 60's muscle cars in residence. Next we were invited into the garden where a big pond stocked with huge koi is nestled amid rock gardens and the constant sound of trickling water. Last but by no means least, Audrey invited us into their home where one area has been fashioned after a fifties diner complete with booths, juke box, pinball machine and ...lunch. What a great surprise to see cold drinks and platters of meats, cheeses, buns, fresh fruit and sweets. It was a perfect end to our tour, a chance to sit down, mingle with our friends and quiet those hunger pangs before heading off to get ready for the annual club dinner. Audrey also took interested parties through her house where she pointed out the features of her self-designed kitchen and home-made drapes.



Everyone was quite impressed with the muscle in the garage attached to the store.



Coca Cola, Elvis, Marilyn, food and beverages were abundant in the 50's diner.

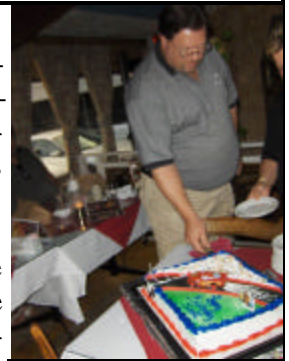
cious and we stayed for hours and hours before logic dictated we head home as Show Day was almost here and some quality rest was in order.

Sunday dawned overcast but warm as the Claw In work crew left their homes for our new venue



Some of the 100 vehicles entered into our Claw In.

at Hawthorne Park in North Surrey. Because our show was used as a "guinea pig" by Surrey Parks, we had many more guidelines to follow to ensure that the public wasn't inconvenienced and that the grass field was not damaged by our vehicles. In fact, we have been asked to provide a report as well as pictures from our event to help the Board make future decisions on park use. Set up went smoothly and as the various components of the show came together, the vehicles began arriving, and once the gate opened we were under way. Rob Nowland set up his camera just past the gate and took pictures of each vehicle on its way to the parking area.



Scott cuts his birthday cake at Bozzini's.

(Check out his web site at <http://www.pbase.com/nowland/fordnutz> 2008) Alex Dudas got us rockin' as food and ice cream vendors set up shop and everyone settled in for a great day. It wasn't long before the sun came out and all that beautiful chrome and paint was blinding us, but I guess the uncertain early morning weather put off a few people as we had half a dozen pre-registered cars that didn't make it. As I walked around during the day, many people stopped me to express their pleasure on various areas of the show: they loved the new venue and parking on grass, really enjoyed the shade trees, covered picnic area and music. The parking set-up was also a hit, making the voting process easier than usual and helping us maintain our reputation for getting awards started on time. Even though Scott and I were panicking over lack of



Robert Nowland's 69 XR-7 Rocky Mtn. Special in front of our Fordnutz banner.

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manpower the week before, we were very happy and relieved when so many came forward and stepped into familiar areas bright and early on Sunday. Each year someone comes up with a new idea to help make things run more smoothly and this year was no exception. Grant, Scott and Alex met drivers at the gate with clipboards, pencils and registration forms so that all the registration ladies needed was to collect the cash and “class” the dash card. Dean Henschke and his daughters were amazing in their pursuit of people with loose cash, collecting nearly five hundred dollars for the 50/50 draw. (Lucy Holmgren thanks you very much for her half of the take!) Carla Bronevitch began counting ballots alone at noon, but before long we had the Jures from Alberta sit in on the action, then the Fishers, Robertsons and others getting the job done by 1:30. Julie Robertson stayed to tally the sheets and ready the papers for Scott to present the trophies at three while Kirsten Waine totalled the 50/50 cash and balanced the books. The M.A.D.D. organization was also on hand, bringing awareness to their cause and when the party was over, there was an orderly departure from the show field with very little mess to clean up – or maybe it was because Jim Ferguson had put several miles on his shoes picking up stray “car diapers” and other trash by the time I went to retrieve my car. Make sure you check out the list of winners, sponsors and volunteers elsewhere in the newsletter and accept a mental pat on the back for a job well done. My sincere thanks to all volunteers and participants. Same time next year???



The Albertans were in fine form with the Jures’ 73 Cougar XR-7 (above) and the Wilsons with their 69 XR-7 428 CJ which they bought brand new (below).

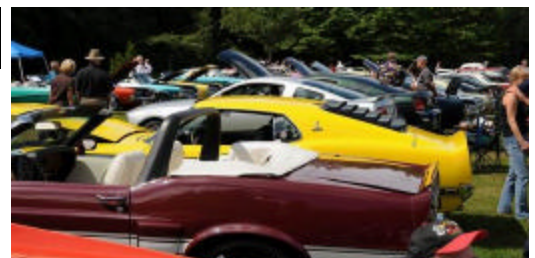


Dams Ford Lincoln displayed a Lincoln.

More Claw In pictures



A row of Cougars & Mustangs.



Shelbys, Mustangs, and Cougars.



Rich Chalke’s cool 70 Torino Cobra.



Best of Show the Hoffmans ’24 Ford T.



Jeff Bingaman’s 60 Dodge Phoenix.



Some very nice big Mercs.



Jumpin’ for joy.



Gehlhaars’ anniversary gift.



Rob Waine Memorial award.

...and the Winners are... (Claw-In 2008 Trophy Winners)

A. Cougar 67-68	2) John Edwards, 1) Rob & Kirsten Waine
B. Cougar 67-68 XR-7	2) Robin Miller, 1) Karl & LaDonna Gehlhaar
C. Cougar 69-70	2) Jim Ferguson, 1) Jim Wilson
D. Cougar Convertible	2) Julie Robertson, 1) Dave & Kim Nashif
E. Cougar Special	2) Ron Stewart, 1) Scott Ferguson
F. Cougar 71-Present	2) Paul Danggas, 1) Rob & Krystina Hains
G. Shelby	2) John Yamamoto, 1) Bill Smythe
H. Mustang Closed	2) Peter Bulcock, 1) Bill Smythe
I. Mustang Open	1) John Dahlbeck
J. Thunderbird Baby Bird	2) Buff Oldridge, 1) Anthony Gaudet
K. Thunderbird 58-82	2) Don Wicklund, 1) Myron Pajak
L. Galaxie	2) Sandor Makka, 1) Alec Pont
M. Super Coupe	2) Jim Fedoruk, 1) Preston Johnston
N. Ford	2) Andy Kotowich, 1) Rich Chalke
O. Mercury/Edsel/Lincoln	2) Larry Ainsworth, 1) Harold Wellenbrink
P. Modified/Custom	2) Jim de Vries, 1) Ivan Moldowan
Q. Rod	1) Ken & Linda Slaght
R. Truck	1) Terry Robertson
S. GM	1) Brian & Vi Hirst
T. Mopar	1) Gordon Stebanuk
U. Work in Progress	1) Rick Farmer
V. Young Owner	1) Allon Prasad
Best of Show	Harvey & Donna Hoffman
Wounded Cat	(no entries)
Club Participation	Greater Vancouver Mustang Association (12 vehicles)
Long Distance Canada	Herb and Cindy Jure, Calmat, Alberta (1400 km)
Long Distance USA	Karl & LaDonna Gehlhaar, Olympia, Washington (180 miles)
Fordnutz Memorial Award	Rob & Kirsten Waine
Pick of the Litter	Ernie Dau (48 Pontiac Silver Streak), Jim & Shirley Greenlees (65 Mustang Coupe), Gord James (30 Ford Pickup), Mike & Bonnie Ridout (47 Chrysler Windsor), Harry Robertson (57 Mercury Turnpike Cruiser)

We couldn't have done it without you... (List of Volunteers and Sponsors)

As you know, car shows, like other events, would not be successful if various individuals and businesses did not contribute their time and expertise, or donate products or money. With this in mind, we would like to gratefully acknowledge some of the people and businesses that have helped our show. If we have missed anyone, please accept our apologies, as it is merely an unfortunate oversight.

Volunteers

Jeff & Noel Bingaman, Alex & Carla Bronevitch, John Edwards, Jim Ferguson, Scott Ferguson, Lee & Sondra Fisher, Kim & Cindy Friesen, Karl & LaDonna Gehlhaar, Grant & Maurlice Hadland, Dean, Liane, Sarah & Kelsey Henschke, Herb & Cindy Jure, Clay Magnusson, Rob Nowland, Myron Pajak, Lorne & Betty Pirson, John Renshaw, Terry & Julie Robertson, Steve Slusarenko, Kelly Vermette, Rob & Kirsten Waine, Heather Whitaker and Don & Connie Wicklund.

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Bozzini's Restaurant	13655 104 th Avenue, Surrey	604-588-6880
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Mac Tools (Bill Smith)	6323 Charbray Place, Surrey	604-230-4566
Snap-on Tools		
Star Rentals (Aaron Sailer)	2283 King George Highway, White Rock	604-538-7888
Surrey Automotive	10657 135A Street, Surrey	604-581-0428
Wasney's	6011 Trapp Avenue, Burnaby	604-526-4266
West Coast Classic Cougars	5377 Waconda Road, NE, Salem, Or	503-463-1130

Fordnutz Members: Alex Bronevitch, Jim Ferguson, Scott Ferguson, Lorne & Betty Pirson, Heather Whitaker