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FUN FORD SUNDAY AND CRAZY 'BOUT THEM MERCURYS 'N FORDS SUMMARY

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Left, Cougars at Garry T's. Right, some of the 79 cars at the Crazy show.



Fun Ford Sunday and Crazy 'bout them Mercurys 'n Fords were both great shows. A lot of time, effort and hard work went into them. The concept behind them was to have a show that would be comfortable for the novice, or first timer, or the enthusiast who thinks his or her car is not suitable for showing, as well as for the veteran with an outstanding vehicle. This is why we stuck to the Peoples Choice format. Your vehicle doesn't have to be a 100 point concourse correct show car to participate, as a matter of fact few are, it can be, well, in pretty much any shape. A good deal of people enjoy seeing older cars in original condition, or as a project under construction. One of the more interesting cars Alan saw at the CCOA West Nationals, in Southern California, was a 69 Cougar SCJ. This car sported its original sun faded paint and weathered interior, the engine had been rebuilt and detailed and it had new Styled Steel wheels. This car was a diamond in the rough and he was happy that the owner didn't leave his car at home because, "It's not finished yet". So bring those cars out and let everyone enjoy them.

We can't say enough good things about the Garry T's (Fun Ford Sunday) show. Garry bent over backwards and gave our club the opportunity to put on a first class show at no major cost to us. He sponsored all the trophies, provided a great FREE breakfast and door prizes as well. We had 57 vehicles participate and everyone seemed to have a great time, some veteran show goers even said it was one of the best shows that they had been to, this is probably why we had such a great turn out for the Crazy show. We had 79 vehicles register, and even more that were parked in one of the other lots while their owners looked at the vehicles in our show. We had people from two different newspapers there writing about our show and taking pictures, and even an employee from a major Ford car magazine that approached at least two Cougar owners about writing a story about their Cougars, someone else mentioned that one or two of the other participants had been approached as well. We would like to say thank you for those of you that brought a vehicle or participated as a spectator. We would like to give an even bigger thanks to those who helped us out before, during and after the show. It is a lot of work, but it is very rewarding. For a small club just over one year old we have shown that we can run with the big dogs, we deserve a congratulatory pat on the back.

By Alan Laary and Scott Ferguson