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**Central Region**

# SAAC ACTION

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## Shelby Spring Fling 2010

**May 21-23, 2010**

**Brown County State Park, Nashville, Indiana**

Early cars, late cars, boy we had 'em all. Our special thanks go to participants who, despite gas prices and a less comfortable ride, chose to forego their newer Ford/Shelby vehicles and brought their vintage cars for our 33<sup>rd</sup> Fling. We're known for bringing out those early cars and you didn't fail us this year. Again, about 70% of participation was by early and exotic cars (we certainly include here the '07 Shelby GT500s and Shelby GTs)!

Ah, the weather for the car show was great. Sunshine and nice temperatures! Friday's Pony Trails also had pretty good weather, though some experienced a bit of rain on the drive down. The preceding weeks had seen so much rain that the grass was still too wet to park on, so the black-topped areas got pretty crowded. Participation was back up with dozens pouring in to register on site. Sunday's Road Rallye was also in glorious sunshine.

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# SAAC on the MOVE

## 2010-11 Schedule of Events

### July 17

28th Annual Old Fort Mustangers Mustang and Ford Show, Ft Wayne, IN, Ivy Tech Campus. Registration 8-11:00. Awards 3:00. Info: Don (260) 486-9074. ofmustager-@yah-oo.com. ww.oldfortmustangers.com.

### July 17-18

30th Annual Tri-State Mustang Club Mustang and Ford Car Show. Dave & Busters, Springdale, OH. Sat pony Trails to an interesting destination; Sun Car Show. For information: Jim Freidel (513) 772-0882 james@jicotechnology.com. www.tristatemustang.com.

### Aug 8

Michiana Mustangs 27th Annual Mustang & Ford Car Show, Concord Mall, Elkhart, IN. 8:00-4:00. Judged and Popular Vote classes. Karl Kindig 574-256-2173. ckindig@michianamustangs.com www.michianamustangs.com

### August 27-29

SAAC-35 National Convention, Infineon Raceway (Sears Point), Sonoma, CA. Open track, Swap, Car Show, Fri evening dinner and program. Rick Kopeck (860) 364-0449. saac@saac.com www.saac.com Aug 30-31

### Aug 30-31

35th Northwoods SAAC Road America Hi-Speed Track Event at Elkhart Lake, WI. Three days on the famous road course. Erik Gustafson (262) 248-9560 egustafson@wi.rr.com. www.nwshelbyclub.com

### Sept 10-12

September in the Park. 13th Annual Derby City Mustang Club Car Show, General Butler Park, Kentucky. Fri Pony Trails, Sat Car Show/evening program, Sun awards program. Ron Kinberger (502) 241-4451 gt500@bellsouth.net www.derbycitymustangclub.com

### Sept TBA

NW Ohio SAAC Open Track Event, Mid-Ohio Race Track, Lexington, Ohio. Event Uncertain. Limited to 80 cars per day. Classroom sessions and in-car instructors included on Sat & Sun only. Rod Harrold. shelby68kr500@aol.com.

### Nov 7

Indiana SAAC Board Meeting. In Nashville, IN. All members welcome. Joyce Yates (812) 988-7146. jcyates@indiana.edu. www.indianasaac.com

### May 20-22 2011

34th Shelby Spring Fling. Get the 2011 date on your calendar. Joyce Yates (812) 988-7146. jcyates@indiana.edu. www.indianasaac.com.



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Show your support for Indiana SAAC—the sponsors each May of the Midwest's premiere event, **The Shelby Spring Fling**.

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With Indiana SAAC membership you will receive an Indiana SAAC decal, a membership card and the membership list. You will also receive the central region newsletter, *SAAC ACTION*, which provides notice of events in the area, coverage of activities and notes of interest.

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# Shelby Spring Fling 2010

The Registration and food tents went up, and the cars flowed in.

The Saleen Club of America went all out for their Reunion with 30 cars on display. They shared the Gene Berry Club Participation Award with the Michiana Mustang Club.

Shelby GTs and GT500s made a dramatic presentation with 28 cars on display.

Lots of exchanges of information with owners of vintage cars and new cars getting to know one another.



## Pony Trails Kick-off



Driver's meeting at the Lodge. Line-up down by the pool. Then off to Ray Skillman Ford's Auto Museum in Greenwood, Indiana. Nearly 200 cars in immaculate condition were on display.



Noontime brought the Pit Crew from Dave's Famous Bar and Grill who prepared fantastic sandwiches for our lunch.

Then it was off to Brown County to prepare for the evening's Welcoming Bash at the Abe Martin Lodge in the Park..





## Friday's Welcoming Bash



Friday evening is when everything gets rolling. Making new friends, greeting old ones . . .

This year's game was a take-off on the trading cards of yore. The Racko Game consisted of trading to get cards with five consecutive number to win one of the 50 or so mugs given as rewards for their efforts.



## Saturday . . . Car Show Day



The Sunbeam Tigers made a comeback this year with enough cars to establish their own class. They failed to get their own class last year because several cars that came, had failed to pre-register. They came to their senses and gently pushed their buddies to do so this year.



The Saleen Club of America went all out with 30 cars on display. They've become major supporters of the Spring Fling, bringing their tent and their grills for evening cook-outs. They came from as far away as Wisconsin, and even California!





The guest speaker at the Saturday evening banquet was the noted automotive journalist, John Clor, from Ford Motor Co. His presentation captivated all present.



There's something for everyone at the Spring fling—for kids and canines alike.



Ray and Peggy Koetter were presented the coveted Steve Yates Memorial Enthusiasm Award for their major contributions to Indiana SAAC and the Spring Fling. It was presented by Joyce Yates, black eye and all (a result of slippage while running up a staircase).



## The Car Show Award-Winners Were Concours Winners



Class	Award	Name
65-66 Shelby	Gold	Tom Johnson, IL
65-66 Shelby	Gold	Jerry & Cindy Sullivan, IN
67 Shelby	Gold	Rod Trembaczynski, IL
67 Shelby	Gold	Al & Julie DeYoung, IL
67 Shelby	Gold	Chris Brown, MO
68 Shelby	Gold	Ken Nagel, IL
68 Shelby	Silver	Chris Brown, MO
69 Shelby	Gold	Don & Diana McNicholas, IN
69 Shelby	Gold	John & Maryann Rago, IL
69 Shelby	Gold	Darryl Schlegel, IL
Survivor	Chairman's Award	Brian Sanders, IN
		65 Shelby, White
		66 GT350H Shelby, Black
		67 GT350 Shelby, White
		67 GT350 Shelby, Brittany Blue
		67 GT350 Shelby, White
		68 Shelby, Candy Apple Red
		68 GT500KR, Green
		69 GT500 Shelby Conv, Green
		69 Shelby, Red
		69 Shelby GT500 Conv, Grabber Orange
		69 GT500 Shelby, Black Jade

Judge's Choice    Gene & Hazel Berry    OH    67 GT500 Shelby

## Popular Vote Winners

### SHELBY'S

65-66 Shelby	1	Jerry & Eloise Oldridge, AR	66 GT350
65-66 Shelby	2	Regis & Debbie Koetter, IN	66 GT350
67 Shelby	1	Adis & Jane Long, MI	67 GT500
67 Shelby	2	Randy Sizemore, IN	67 GT500
68 Shelby	1	Ronald & Barbara Kinberger, KY	68 GT350
68 Shelby	2	Paul & Cathy Streaker, OH	68 GT350
68 Shelby	3	Harry & Karin Kegebein, IN	68 GT350
69 Shelby	1	Terry & JoAnn Bach, OH	69 GT500
69 Shelby	2	Matt Shannon, MO	69 GT500
69 Shelby	3	Cindy Cherry, OH	69 GT500

### EXOTICS

Exotic Sport	1	Blake & Renee Hartman, IN	05 Ford GT40
Exotic Sport	2	Terry Hankins, IN	05 Ford GT
Exotic Sport	3	Bill Dickie, IN	06 Ford GT
Replica Cobra	1	David & Becky Fister, KY	Replica Cobra
Replica Cobra	2	Lee Schmid, IN	Cobra Replica
Shelby GT	1	Mark & Darlene Badgley, IN	07 GT-H Conv
Shelby GT	2	Ron & Gayle Kaeser, OH	07 Shelby GT
Shelby GT	3	Russell Hausermann, OH	07 GT-H
Shelby GT500	1	Lester Combs, IN	07 Supersnake
Shelby GT500	2	Alan & Lisa Ippolito, IN	09 GT500 Conv
Shelby GT500	3	Joe & Pam Holland, MI	10 GT500
Superformance	1	Tim Boles, IN	Coupe
Superformance	2	David Ice, KY	Cobra
Superformance	3	Jim Niermann, OH	Cobra
Tiger	1	David Tiettmeyer, OH	67 Tiger
Tiger	2	Steve & Sheila Fehn, OH	67 Tiger
Tiger	3	Jim & Carol Roberts, IN	67 Tiger

### MUSTANG SPECIALS

Boss	1	Gary & Lisa Long, IN	70 Boss 302
Boss	2	Dale & Sandy Kolodica, MI	70 Boss 302
Boss	3	Eric & Susie Bozzer, MI	69 Boss 302
Mach I 69-73	1	Glenn & Chris Wilhoit, OH	70 Mach I
Mach I 69-73	2	Vic & Connie Garrison, IN	71 Mach I
Mach I 69-73	3	Steve & Brenda Keusch, IN	70 Mach I
Mach I 2003+	1	Frank Bayles, IN	03 Mach I
Mach I 2003+	2	Bruce Stopher, IN	03 Mach I
Mach I 2003+	3	Carley Miller, IN	03 Mach I
Mustang Bullitt	1	Ron Powell Jr, IN	08 Bullitt
Mustang Bullitt	2	Rick Ortlepp, OH	01 Bullitt
Mustang Bullitt	3	Don Kleinschmidt, IN	08 Bullitt

### SALEEN MUSTANGS

Saleen 84-93	1	George Gast, KY	87 Saleen
Saleen 84-93	2	Joe & Bev Thomsberry, KY	88 Hatchback
Saleen 84-93	3	Mike Charles, OH	86 Saleen
Saleen 84-93 Conv	1	Marc Allen, IN	86 Conv
Saleen 84-93 Conv	2	Stu Akers, IN	88 Conv
Saleen 94+	1	Gerald & Martha Sitzman, IN	08 Saleen
Saleen 94+	2	Tom & Jane Benda, IN	01 Saleen S/C
Saleen 94+	3	Jaime Smith, IN	08 Saleen
Saleen 94+ Conv	1	Dave & Liz West, OH	04 SC Conv
Saleen 94+ Conv	2	Charlie & Sandy Smith, IN	00 Saleen Conv
Saleen 94+ Conv	3	Mark & Dianna Sweet, WI	02 SC Conv

### EARLY MUSTANGS

Mustang 1965	1	Larry & Janice Bolton, MI	65 Mustang FB
Mustang 1965	2	David & Linda Payne, KY	65 Mustang FB
Mustang 1965	3	Tom Kasting, IN	65 Mustang FB
Mustang 1966	1	George & Shirley Wachs, IN	66 Mustang FB
Mustang 1966	2	Mike & Sherrell Perkins, IN	66 Mustang
Mustang 1966	3	Donald & Michelle Baltes, IN	66 Mustang FB
Mustang 1967-73	1	Bob & Pat Goeller, IN	67 Mustang FB
Mustang 1967-73	2	Bradley Paul, IN	68 Mustang FB
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## More Popular Vote Winners



### LATE MUSTANGS

Mustang 1974-93	1	Tom & Cheryl Stephenson, IN	93 Cobra
Mustang 1974-93	2	Mark Potter, KY	84 Mustang GT
Mustang 1974-93	3	Jason & Tracy Smith IN	85 Mustang GT

Mustang Early Conv	1	Jack & Kathy Gelzeichter, IN	66 Conv
Mustang Early Conv	2	Jeremy Bevington, OH	66 GT Conv
Mustang Early Conv	3	Vince Springer, IN	73 Conv

Mustang 1974-93 Conv	1	Alan Wright, IN	85 Conv
Mustang 1974-93 Conv	2	Nick Sullivan IN	93 GT Conv
Mustang 1974-93 Conv	3	Scott & Carol Colley, IN	93 Conv

Mustang 1994+ Cobra	1	Aaron/Teresa Gardner, OH	94 Cobra
Mustang 1994+ Cobra	2	Dan Worthington OH	99 SVT Cobra
Mustang 1994+ Cobra	3	Dale Bergman, IN	95 Cobra

Mustang 1994-2004	1	Justin & Wendy Reichard, IN	00 GT
Mustang 1994-2004	2	Tony & Sherrie Spears, IN	97
Mustang 1994-2004	3	Chad & Kami Woody, IN	02 Roush Conv

Mustang 1994-98 Cobra Conv	1	Jack & Laura Berry, MI	96 SVT Conv
Mustang 1994-98 Cobra Conv	2	Bill & Linda Holman, IN	96 Conv
Mustang 1994-98 Cobra Conv	3	George/Luella Mercier, IN	94 Conv

Mustang 1999+ Cobra Conv	1	Jim & Cheri Wells, IN	04 Conv
Mustang 1999+ Cobra Conv	2	John & Pam Engle, OH	03 Conv
Mustang 1999+ Cobra Conv	3	Pat & Lisa Lair, IN	03 Conv

Mustang 2005-06	1	Blake/ Renee Hartman, IN	06 GT
Mustang 2005-06	2	Adis & Jane Long, MI	06 Fang
Mustang 2005-06	3	Don & Judy Bergman, IN	06 GT

Mustang 2007+	1	Catherine & John Zerkle, IN	07 GT
Mustang 2007+	2	Randy & Kathy Betki, MI	11 Mustang
Mustang 2007+	3	Steven/Dawn Scarborough, IN	08 Mustang

### SPECIALS

Special Interest	1	Clay & Bev Calhoun, IN	70 Torino GT
Special Interest	2	Ron & Gayle Kaeser, OH	57 Fairlane
Special Interest	3	Ron & Joyce Boren, MO	69 GT350 done

Young Owners	1	Chris & Rachel Gardner, OH	85 Mustang GT
Young Owners	2	Heather Cherry, OH	94 Mustang GT
Young Owners	3	Sean Everly, IL	05 Mustang GT

People's Choice Award

Sean & Patty Long, IN

68 GTE Cougar

## Road Rallye Award-Winners

The line-up Sunday as the crew checks in participants for a beautiful ride through the hills of Brown County.



Sunday's Road Rallye wrapped up our 33<sup>rd</sup> Shelby Spring Fling event.

Jason and Tracy Smith of Indiana SAAC and the Saleen Club of America set up the Rallye and did the honors bestowing awards on the winners in each class. Then it was off for home as the 33<sup>rd</sup> Fling wound down.

<i>Class</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Winner</i>
Sport	1st	David & Becky Fister, Cobra Replica
	2nd	Dave Doddek, Pantera
Shelby Early	1st	Craig & Bonnie Shefferly, 1967
Shelby Late	1st	Matt & Jan Marlin, 2008
	2nd	Hazel & Amber Berry, 2006H
Saleen	1st	Dan & Lori Aiken, 1996
	2nd	Tony & April Brodzeller, 1999
	3rd	Mark & Dianna Sweet, 2002
Mustang pre-2000	1st	Kail Keusch, 1989
	2nd	Brent Ewald, 1984
	3rd	Nick Sullivan, 1993
Mustang 2000+	1st	Mark & Julie Stutler, 2004 Mach 1
	2nd	Katie O'Brien, 2005
	3rd	Marvin & Joyce Exline, 2003 Cobra
Open Class	1st	Bryan Menard, Nissan Sentra
	2nd	Steve Keusch, Ford Van
	3rd	Rich & Stephanie Rensberger, Cherokee





# Meeting Our Members

By Dave & Jo Groeninger, Indiana Board Members :  
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## Katie & Marc O'Brien

Lake in the Hills, Illinois  
2005 Mustang GT

Katie's 2005 Mustang GT is Sonic Blue with white racing stripes that are a full wrap on the car--Katie had the white stripes painted on the Mustang as soon as she purchased the car. It also has a Cervini hood and upper and lower side scoops.

Katie has owned four Mustangs but the '05 Mustang GT is her first brand new Mustang. Katie has a 2005 Mustang for a daily driver. When the snow gets real bad in the winter Katie drives her purple 1996 GT. Katie loves to open the Mustang up whenever possible on the open roads in upper Wisconsin.

Katie became an absolute Mustang nut when she was in high school and her brother took her to her first car show in the 80's they have been buying, driving and going to shows in the cars ever since.

Katie has been coming to the Indiana SAAC Spring Fling for 20 years. The only Spring Fling she has missed is when her son Marc was due 2 weeks before the Spring Fling date. Katie's family lives in Northwestern Illinois--more than 360 miles away for her and Marc.

Katie's first car was a 1978 Mustang II, every Mustang since the Mustang II has been an upgrade in both style and performance. The next Mustang was a 1990 Wild Strawberry, then on to the 1996 Purple GT which has now been handed down to her son Marc. Katie's dream is to have a full stable of Mustangs some day.

Katie's other hobby is making jewelry. Katie likes to pretend one of the hobbies will some day support the other. Katie and her family are very close and usually take family trips together and get a family cabin for the Spring Fling to enjoy the whole fun-packed weekend together.

Katie's son Marc is 17 years old and a Young Owner member of Indiana SAAC. He comes to the Spring Fling every year with Katie and the family.





# ★ Cherry's Car Corral ★



## *In The News!*

### **The Shelby GT350 is back in 2011!**



Coinciding with the 45th anniversary of the original 1965 Shelby GT350, Shelby American unveiled an all new GT350 Mustang at the opening night gala of the Barrett-Jackson auction in Scottsdale, AZ. Presented in concept form, the new GT350 features a supercharged version of the brand new 5.0-liter V8 engine in the 2011 Mustang GT as well as performance upgrades from Ford Racing, Borla, Cragar, Baer and more.

Unlike the GT500, the GT350 will be a post-title upgrade available from Shelby. Customers can have their 2011 Mustangs shipped directly to Shelby's Las Vegas facility to be converted or they can deliver the car themselves. Once in the hands of Shelby, each Mustang is fitted with a Ford Racing supercharger good for approximately 500 horsepower, a Ford Racing suspension system, Baer brakes front and rear, Borla exhaust system, Cragar wheels, and more. For the exterior, Shelby fits a new front fascia, front splitter, functional hood scoop, tail light trim, rear deck lid filler panel and a rear fascia with center exhaust exit. White with Guardsman Blue racing stripes will be the only available color combination.

### **Ford Posts \$2.1 Billion Profit, Raises Outlook**

Ford Motor Co. on Tuesday reported a \$2.1 billion first-quarter profit, said it will deliver a "solid profit" for the year and boosted its second-quarter North America production by another 30,000 vehicles.

Ford will now produce 625,000 new cars and trucks during the second quarter which is a 39% increase over the same time

period a year earlier. The increase, the auto maker said, reflects "strong consumer demand" and the need to replenish dealer lots.

An Associated Press-poll also found slightly more Americans believe the U.S. builds a better-quality vehicle than Asian auto makers.

Ford has also been riding a wave of customer appreciation for its decision to forgo government bailouts and not file for bankruptcy protection.

Ford's European unit was helped by filling the last of its new vehicle order backlog caused by the incentives offered in various countries during their own "cash for clunkers" programs. Ford finished the first quarter with \$25.3 billion in automotive gross cash, an increase of \$400 million since the end of 2009. Ford's automotive debt was \$34.3 billion.

### **Cleveland Engine Plant No. 1 Reopens!**

Cleveland Engine Plant No. 1 reopens to become first site in the world to produce EcoBoost engines. Ford invested \$55 million for tooling and equipment upgrades at Cleveland Engine Plant No. 1, which has been idled since 2007, to build the EcoBoost engine. The powerful, fuel-efficient 3.5-liter EcoBoost V-6 engines represent the cornerstone of Ford's technology plan to deliver fuel efficiency and performance to millions.

EcoBoost will first be available this summer in the 2010 Lincoln MKS, Lincoln MKT, Ford Taurus SHO and Ford Flex. Production is slated to begin this spring, with approximately 250 employees forming shifts to build the engine.

Outfitted with a flexible manufacturing system for power trains, featuring modern, Computerized Numerical Control machine tools (CNC machines) the facility can easily be retooled and reprogrammed to perform new tasks with minimal disruption to production.

A new, internal database will ensure quality is built into the engine from the outset. During production, each engine built at the plant will have a sophisticated engine "birth history" that allows plant engineers to trace the precise path taken by any part so any quality control issue can be traced back to its source. "We have an outstanding, specially trained workforce



that is committed to delivering a world-class, quality product for our customers.”

- Jan Allman, Cleveland Site Manager.

## **2011 Shelby GT500: A Snake With A 550 HP Aluminum Heart!**

The 2011 Shelby GT500 only gets minor exterior tweaks, but underneath the hood it chucks the heavy iron block truck engine for an all-aluminum 5.4-liter supercharged V8 for 102 lbs less weight and a smokin' 550HP.

102 lbs lighter. The new aluminum engine is 102 lbs lighter than the outgoing iron block engine — for a combine full-car reduction on the coupe of 120 lbs. It's almost like taking an entire passenger out of the cabin having an impact on steering feel, track performance and overall balance.

The lighter 5.4-liter dual overhead cam supercharged V8 makes another 10 HP over the outgoing model, with 550 HP and 510 lb-ft of torque with 80 percent delivered between 1,750 and 6,250 rpm. It's also made the change to electronic power steering to reduce accessory belt drag and completely does away with iron cylinder liners, using a patented Plasma Transferred Wire Arc liner system to apply a 150-micron composite coating for friction reduction. These efforts have come together to make not only improved horsepower but improved fuel economy, with Ford expecting the car to move off the gas guzzler tax roles, with projected economy of 23 MPG highway and 15 MPG city.

The rest of the car has undergone some noteworthy tweaking as well. Since the front end has been significantly lightened, the tuning up front has been adjusted to provide appropriate grip and the front struts get a coat of red paint because, um, why not? The cars now get the option of the glass roof currently on the lower level cars, standard HID headlights, MyKey (which will come in really handy when tossing the keys to Junior), and fold down rear headrests to comply with new visibility standards.

Finally, the SVT Performance Package, designed for the track-day fiend who wants to eke out more performance from the Shelby GT500. The package includes Goodyear Eagle® F1 Supercar G2 tires designed specifically for the Shelby, lighter wheels, stiffer springs, a higher rear axle ratio and all are available on both convertible and hardtop. The package reduces track time by an average of 3 seconds on a 2.3-mile track. So, basically, the Shelby GT500 is lighter, more powerful, gets better fuel economy and is faster around the track.

## **From Our, “You Got To Be S#@& Department!”**

This story of the Shelby owner that hit an animal with his GT500KR and discovered the collision replacement parts were

a little pricey—a replacement hood cost \$18,400, hood pins \$632, and a front spoiler \$3392. The owner aired his displeasure on the web. That initial report has since touched off a firestorm in the online Shelby community, with the issue spreading to numerous forums and chat rooms. Jim Owens Automobiles claimed that the part in question was the only full carbon-fiber production hood available in a U.S. vehicle that has gone through the same exhaustive certification procedure as any other OEM product, and there was no surcharge applied because of the part's exclusivity. However, after the negative feedback, the hood's price was lowered to \$9,700, and the prices of remaining carbon fiber components were under review.

Another issue was Shelby's demand for the old parts back. This was to prevent just anyone from slapping a KR hood or other parts on their base Mustang. Whatever their rationale, what if you are in the hospital and the hood in question was destroyed? Now what? Well! After two attempts to acquire an undamaged hood (the first hood was shipped in a cardboard box without adequate padding and as a result was damaged) another hood was shipped after weeks of phone calls to Shelby, Ford and conference calls between the two entities. It was also found the cost of the hood was closer to the original estimate. The hood was actually \$12,610, \$1,245 for shipping and insurance, with taxes, brought the grand total to almost \$16,000.

## **More Utterly Useless, Yet Slightly Interesting Car Stuff, that you will quickly forget, but still kind of fun nonetheless!**

### **Overall sizes**

**Loooooongest Current production car**

- (242.7 in) - 2010 Maybach 62

**Widest Production car**

- (81.0 in) - 2010 Lamborghini Murcielago

**Tallest Production car**

- (64.3 in) - 2006 Rolls Royce Phantom

**Shortest Production car**

- (98.4 in) - 1998 Smart Fortwo

**Lowest Current limited-production car**

- (41.0 in) - 2010 Saleen S7

**Heaviest Curb Weight Production car**

- (6,294 lb) - 2003 Maybach 62

**Lightest Production car**

- (1,554 lb) - 1952 Volkswagen Beetle

### **Engine displacement:**

**Smallest...**

(3.0 cu in) - 1963 Peel P50

**Largest...**

inline-four engine 1912 Benz 82 (1,312 in3)

**Highest power...**

1287 horsepower SSC Ultimate Aero TT

### **Price:**



## Economy:

### Highest EPA mileage

- 48 mpg-US 2001 Honda Insight 5-speed

### Lowest EPA mileage

- 6 mpg-US - 1986-1990 Lamborghini Countach

## Price:

### Most expensive

- \$2,200,000 - 2010 Bugatti Veyron Grand Sport

### Most inexpensive

- \$125 - 1922 Briggs & Stratton Flyer (\$1,364.22 in 2006, inflation adjusted)

## Acceleration

### Quickest (0 to 62 mph)

- 2.5 seconds - 2006 Bugatti Veyron

### Top speed

- Highest: SSC Ultimate AERO (257.41 MPH)

### A List of manufactures of cars with 500 hp or more!

Bentley - 1, BMW - 3, Mercedes-Benz - 8, Dodge - 2, Chevrolet - 1, Maybach - 2, Porsche - 1, Lamborghini - 2, Ferrari - 5, Ford - 2, Bugatti - 1, Aston Martin - 1, Saleen - 2, McLaren - 1, Jaguar - 1



## Cherry's Ramblings!

### **From Our News You Can Use Department:**

*The exact definition of one horsepower is to lift 33,000 pounds one foot over a period of one minute.*

**Now with that out of the way!** Consider the new 2011 V6 Mustang. It has a new 3.7-liter engine that produces 305 horsepower. That's 5 more than last year's V8 Mustang GT and 34 more horses than came in the high output V8 Shelby Cobra back in 1965.

Then there's the all-new 2011 Mustang 5.0, 32-valve engine that's still naturally aspirated and pumps out a whopping 412 horsepower on pump gas. Again, that's 12 more ponies than the 2004 Ferrari 360 Spider had under its hood. Then there's the 2011 Shelby GT500, with its new aluminum-block, 5.4-liter supercharged V8 rated at 550 hp. That's 79 more hp than a 1992 Ferrari F40 twin turbo Italian super car, that at the time held the title as the world's fastest street-legal production car.

Even the small foreign cars have gotten into the horsepower game. The 2009 Mitsubishi Lancer has a small-supercharged 2-liter Engine that spits out more than 290 hp. Again, that's 125 more horses than the Porsche 911 Carrera had back in 1977 and only 10 ponies shy of the 2009 V8 powered Mustang GT's still unsold on dealer's lots.

Now with the new EPA rules dictating that the auto manufacturers fleets must average at least 35 mpg or more by 2020 (the key word here being *average*), the automakers will need to produce enough ultra-high mileage cars to offset all the other gas hogs in their line-ups. So if you're wondering why the big rush to build gas-electric hybrids, it's because they really don't have much of a choice. By selling a lot of cars that get 52 mpg, Ford is hoping to offset all the 18mpg ones. So at least for now, we should still be safe—that is until some pink-tie-wearing lawyer from Greenpeace convinces all the bleeding heart do-gooder liberals in Washington that they need to do more to save us from ourselves and end all fun as we know it.....**D.C.**

## World Wide Web

[www.saac.com](http://www.saac.com) - Club site

[www.carrollshelby.com](http://www.carrollshelby.com) - THE man's site

[www.shelbyamerican.com](http://www.shelbyamerican.com)—SA, Inc.

### **SAAC Regions:**

[www.saac-mcr.com](http://www.saac-mcr.com)—Motor City

[www.norcal-saac.org](http://www.norcal-saac.org)—Northern California

[www.protsys.com/SAACColorado](http://www.protsys.com/SAACColorado) - Col

[www.saacnw.org](http://www.saacnw.org)—Northwest

[www.nvsaac.com](http://www.nvsaac.com)—Nevada

[www.cocoaoc.org](http://www.cocoaoc.org)—Cobra of Orange Cnty

[www.lasaac.org](http://www.lasaac.org)—LA area

[www.socalsaac.org](http://www.socalsaac.org)—Southern California

[www.saacmd.org](http://www.saacmd.org)—Maryland

[www.capitolshelbyclub.org](http://www.capitolshelbyclub.org)—

Washington

[www.thecarsource.com/umrsaac](http://www.thecarsource.com/umrsaac) - Minn

[www.nwshelbyclub.com](http://www.nwshelbyclub.com) - Northwoods

[www.smcrcinc.org](http://www.smcrcinc.org) - Rochester, NY

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