

SECFCA Trip Report

Sun Coast Regional Mustang and All Ford Show 2nd Annual FCA Sun Coast Regional Falcon Show Pensacola, FL March 2010

Fred Hartley, Les Triggs, and I attended the Sun Coast Regional Falcon show in Pensacola, FL, this month. What a trip !!

Fred and I went down Thursday morning and Les came late Friday evening. Friday, all of us Falcon folks visited the Naval Aviation Station museum. Here are some pictures of our visit. Notice the big white “Fat Boy” that Fred is posed with. This atomic bomb is not a replica – it’s the 3rd one the United States produced but never used. It’s the real thing. The museum staff made this fact very clear.

Fred and “The Bomb”



We also saw the Blue Angels hanging from the ceiling



Wally and the Blue Angels

Our FCA President, Chuck Beason and Director, Dave Wagner also made the museum trip.

“Two peas.....



...in a pod !!

**Dave and Chuck, or
is that Chuck and Dave?**



Some more excitement on show day, Saturday. Fred’s slick aluminum radiator developed a massive leak. Ooooooops. But, Fred, Wally, and Les to the rescue.



Fred at work



Wally at work



Les and Wally holding the offender

A Reunion

At the shown on Saturday, before we restored Fred's convertible to driving condition, I was wandering around the Falcons indoors at the show. Of course, taking tons of pictures. While I was clicking away, I took some pictures of a particular 1962. While snapping the pictures, I had the strangest feeling that I'd seen this car somewhere before. This thought nagged at me until a light bulb lit up in my memory. Man !! This is "T" Parker's 1962. The story follows.

"T" found my name and telephone number on our Website. He called me one night out of the blue and we began our Falcon chat. He told me the story of the magnificent 1962 restoration. The more he told, the more interested I became. I said, "send me some pictures, the story, and pictures, and I'll put it up on our local FCA chapter's Website."...which I did.

After many months of featuring "T's car on our Website, I decided to remove it during some routine site cleanup. With my reunion with this car and "T", I have now put the car, story and pictures back on our site, in celebration of this car's winning the "Best of Show" at this Regional show.

A big "congratulations" to "T" and his nephew, Dale, who built this beautiful Falcon.

Here're some pictures of this car from the Regional show.



See the article and more pictures on our SECFCA Website: www.secfalcons.com.

Just click the link above.

Our return home was uneventful. Wally Till, SECFCA Internet Director/WebMaster 3/2010