



# Indy Mopar Club News



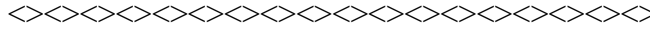
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*Meetings are normally the last Thursday of every month except November & December. Refer to the President's Message for both those and future meeting dates.*



## January 2021 IMC President's Message

Message from the President:

Welcome to 2021 members! Let us certainly hope this year goes better than last. Between all of the riots around the country and the Covid 19 pandemic, it made 2020 a year to forget.

As you will see in the event calendar, I am cancelling the January meeting because of the current surge in the virus. Personally, I have had the virus myself and luckily it was no big deal. I never had a fever or the body aches and chills like the flu. My symptoms were a basic cold, a couple days of a very mild headache, and that common symptom of losing your taste and smell. My taste came back in about 3 days. I have heard that for some people it has taken weeks to come back. Deb never has gotten it strangely enough, but has not been tested. They wouldn't let her take the test with no symptoms which we thought was odd.

So, looking forward it has been confirmed that the ICH Mopar Swap Meet is on for March 6-7. Hopefully it won't get canceled. I think we all know what we're doing there, so we'll get together in February for our next regular meeting and go over the final details. If anyone would like to bring their car let me know ([jeffplatzer@hotmail.com](mailto:jeffplatzer@hotmail.com)). Everything seems like it will be the same as always. Ronda is in contact with Deanna at ICH.

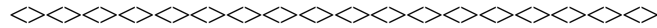
Previously we had confirmed with Fletcher and York that those cruise-ins are a go for this year. That would be great. I had said at the last meeting that I was going to pursue a special new event on Main Street in Speedway. The event would be unique show and titled "Indiana's Fastest Street Cars." I am working with Speedway city council now to see what they will approve. The proposal was for parking on the east side of Main Street only, so that it isn't necessary to close the street down, and maybe also using a parking lot for trailers and possibly vendors. By the February meeting I should know what the reality may be. I have already talked to some friends who have cars for this event, and they think it is a great idea, as nobody has done anything like this before, and that Speedway would be a real attractive location statewide. This would be a show and the judging would be by the participants, which keeps us from being in the good guy/bad guy position. Currently looking at a Saturday August 1 date with Sunday being a rainout date. Looking for a time frame in the 10:00am- 3:00pm range. I know that's longer than our cruise-ins, but with people coming from a long distance, this would make it more worthwhile. More later.

Another one of my goals moving forward in 2021 will be to encourage everyone to locate new members. We need to all stock up on our IMC business cards and start passing them out wherever you may see a car that looks promising, classic or modern. Whoever has any stock of these cards please bring them. I was very shocked to see this summer a 70 Challenger RT just two houses

down from me. 440+6! I believe it is in the paint shop now. He is excited to get it finished next summer. Also down the road from me about one mile is a guy with a 70 Challenger 340 , a 67 Coronet RT, 69 Dodge Charger RT and I think a 37 Chrysler. He just happened to have his garage door open so I pulled into his driveway. He seems a bit nervous about getting involved in anything. He never takes his cars to any shows either. Guess he just likes having them. We talked for some time but he never invited me to look at his cars. Guess I'm a little scary looking?

Thanks, and stay safe. Look forward to seeing you all soon!

Jeff



## **Mopar Surfin' on The Web**

One result of the past year's Covid isolation is my spending far too much time on the internet from sheer boredom. Because I also had a truck to sell, I decided I wanted to post it on Facebook Marketplace.

After pestering my wife and stepdaughter endlessly to upload and monitor my advertisement (they had FB accounts and I did not), I finally decided to take the step and set up my first Facebook account.

I'm not one to write a lot about what's going on in my life (maybe because I don't have a lot going on in my life!), but some of the Group sites were of interest. Obviously, after loading my truck advertisement, I had to immediately join the **Indy Mopar Club's FB page**. After that things were popping everywhere suggesting I join. Kind of overwhelming but also some seemed to have zeroed in on my specific car-crazy interests.

I had been borrowing Teresa's account over the years looking at our IMC page and one called "**Indianapolis Raceway Park (L.O.R.P.) Memories Page**" that included pictures of racecars and discussions from back in the day. Naturally, I joined that one as soon as I had my FB account set up. Pretty cool seeing Hero cars I had seen race years ago as well as seeing names and cars I had raced against in the bracket racing I did back in the '70s and early '80s.

Next, I went looking for vintage racecar groups. Didn't take long to be swamped but some of the FB Groups I quickly joined include:

**"Vintage ERA of Drag Racing 50's, 60's, 70's";**

**"Jr Stocker" (more golden age of stocker racing);**

**"Vintage Stock/Super Stock"** (the header pic of Jere Stahl's '66 Hemi Belvedere captured me!);

**"1960s-1970s Drag Racing Photos";**

**"Chrysler RO, WO and A102-HP-2 Hemi"** (Mopar heros; who could resist?);

**"Chrysler & DeSoto Airflow Group"; S/S 123** (old Super Stock car pics);

**"Drag Racing Car Haulers...the Early Years"** (the old Dodge haulers are awesome);

**"Stock and Super Stock THEN & NOW";**

**"Plymouth Owners Club Inc."**

Based on your interests, there are many more FB car groups but that's as far as I've joined so far.

And then there are a myriad of car & truck Internet Websites, some that I've been a member of for years. These sites include content on interesting stories, restored car & truck pictures, parts and vehicles for sale, as well as forums for information on current and vintage vehicles, restoration and troubleshooting.

Websites I've found full of excellent and informative content (in addition to our own "IndyMoparClub. Com") include:

"[Moparts.org](http://Moparts.org)" for anything & all things Mopar!

"[Allpar.com](http://Allpar.com)" includes contributions by anonymous Chrysler people so insight into past and future cars.

"[e-bodies.org](http://e-bodies.org)" fantastic site for Cuda or Challenger info & help, original factory ref info & drawings.

"[A12Mopar.com](http://A12Mopar.com)" site covering the 1969 ½ Lift-off Hood Road Runners and Super Bees.

"[forbbodiesonly.com](http://forbbodiesonly.com)" site covering B-Body Mopars from 1962 thru the Musclecars of the '70s'

"[forabodiesonly.com](http://forabodiesonly.com)" site covering A-Body Darts, Valiants, Dusters, Demons, early Barracudas.

"[mymopar.com](http://mymopar.com)" great fender tag decoder info.

"[Sweptline.org](http://Sweptline.org)" for '61-'71 Dodge Sweptline and Utiline (stepside) Trucks.

"[Cumminsforum.com](http://Cumminsforum.com)" for Dodge Cummins diesel truck.

"[Hamtramck-historical.com](http://Hamtramck-historical.com)" is a Chrysler Assy Plant registry & old Mopar scanned literature.

"[racehemi.maxwedge.com](http://racehemi.maxwedge.com)" is an info site for these engines and vehicles. Great photo references.

"[maxwedge.com](http://maxwedge.com)" has a great VIN decoder and info on these cars.

"[racingjunk.com](http://racingjunk.com)" is a 'For Sale' website for racecars, tools, parts, trailers, etc.

"[lilredexpress.org](http://lilredexpress.org)" is a great reference site for 'Lil Red Express & Warlock trucks.

"[jalopyjournal.com](http://jalopyjournal.com)" (also called the H.A.M.B board) excellent old car & project ads, old photo forums.

"[dragracecentral.com](http://dragracecentral.com)" covers drag racing news & result updates by class during NHRA & other events.

"[p15-p24.com](http://p15-p24.com)" great information on Mopar vehicles from the 1930s to 1960s.

"[classracer.com](http://classracer.com)" forum on current NHRA Stock & Super Stock, MNCA & Nostalgia Stock & Superstock.

"[airflowclub.com](http://airflowclub.com)" the Airflow Club of America website.

"[Lynchroad.com](http://Lynchroad.com)" info on Lynch Road Assembly Plant (RRs and Super Bees) & VIN decoder for Mopars.

"[plymouthowners.club](http://plymouthowners.club)" is the National Club website.

"[cars-on-line.com](http://cars-on-line.com)" is an excellent site for looking for any vintage or muscle car of all manufacturers.

"[autotrader.com](http://autotrader.com)" another site for current vehicles for sale. Lots of dealerships have internet pricing.

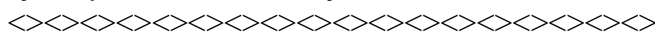
Well, that's only a start but these are the FB pages and internet websites that I've found of interest when killing time or looking for reference information for my vehicles. There is a world of information and so many enthusiasts willing to help that it is mind boggling.

Of course, as with anything on the net, cross check before taking it as gospel, however if you do your 'due diligence' you can usually find any info you need.

Good hunting & enjoy!

Tom

*Submitted by Tom Kelly, Indy Mopar Club, January 12, 2021*



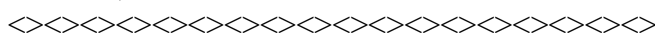
**Treasurer Report Indy Mopar Club December, 2020 - Steve Wisdom**

November 30, 2020 Balance \$1,593.62.

December Income - 4 Club shirts, \$30 flower fund, 18 Renewals, \$60 JDRF - Total \$539.00.

December Expenses - 3 Club shirts, Jan Peel newsletter/postage/dues mailed reimbursement \$181.47, Steve's Flowers for Bill & Randi Edgerton Daughter-in-law \$75.22 - Total \$301.35.

(Flower Fund \$201.65) - December 31, 2020 Balance \$1831.27





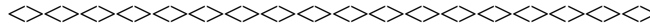
**February 2021 Birthdays:**

- Cindy Sanders, 2-8
- Randy Smith, 2-11
- Donna Liebrandt, 2-12
- Pam Wagler, 2-16
- Dan Kelly, 2-21
- Robert Turner, 2-21
- Tom Kelly, 2-28

**February 2021 Anniversaries:**

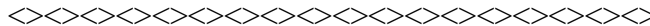
- Jack and Sheilla Collins, 2-2
- Steve and Cheryl Wisdom, 2-7
- Michael and Patricia Patterson, 2-18
- Ed and Pam Wagler, 2-19

**Congratulations to all!**



**Tattler's Corner**

Well our Indiana weather has certainly surprised us this year so far. Lots of cold weather but little snow. It doesn't break my heart to have it this way. We'll probably pay for it in February. Keep warm and stay safe. Get those vaccinations as soon as you are able to.



**2021 INDY MOPAR CLUB – EVENT LIST** **TBV** – to be verified **TBD** – to be determined

**IMC Contact**

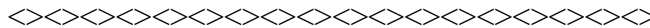
Jan	28 - <b>Cancelled</b>	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	<b>Cancelled</b> MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Feb	<b>Cancelled</b>	Sun		WPC Winter (Mopar) Swap Meet	<b>Rescheduled Feb 6, 2022</b> Macomb College Detroit	Dave Watt
	25	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Mar	5	Fri	<b>TBD</b>	Indy Cyl Hd Show Set-up		Ronda Cherry
	6-7	Sat-Sun		Indy Cyl Hd Chrysler Performance Trade Show	Ind State Fairgrounds	Jeff Platzer
	25	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Apr	16-18	Fri-Sun		O'Reilly World of Wheels Car Show	Ind State Fairgrounds	Jeff Platzer
	29	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
May	1	Sat	11a-5p	Cinco de Mopar-Car Show	9 Irish Bros-East Lafayette, IN	Tom Kelly
	13-14	Thur-Fri		FAST-Pure Stock Drags - US 131 Motorsports Park - Martin, MI		D Watt/M Leyes
	14-22	Fri-Sat	wk later	Mecum Collector Car Auction	IN State Fairgrounds	Ronda Cherry
	27	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Jun	<b>TBD</b>	Wed-Sun		Airflow Club of America 57 <sup>th</sup> National Meet	Independence, MO	Tom Kelly
	16-20	Wed-Sun		Plymouth Owners Club National Meet	Springfield, IL	Tom Kelly-Jan Peel
	24	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Jul	<b>TBD</b>	Sat	<b>TBD</b>	Fletcher Chrysler - IMC Cruise-In	Franklin, IN	Jeff Platzer
	9-11	Fri-Sun		Carlisle Chrysler Nats	Carlisle PA	Dave Watt/Tom Kelly
	7-28-8-1	Tue-Sun		National DeSoto Club National Meet	Brookfield, WI	Tom Kelly
	29	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Aug	1 - TBC	Sat		Indiana's Fastest Street Cars	Speedway, IN	Jeff Platzer
	4-8	Wed-Sun		Walter P Chrysler Club National Meet	Auburn Hills, MI	Tom Kelly
	13-15	Fri-Sun		MOPAR NATIONALS-Nat'l Trails Raceway	Columbus (Hebron) OH	Tom Kelly
	21- <b>TBV</b>	Sat		Woodward Dream Cruise (week long lead up)	Oakland County MI	Jeff Platzer
	26	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer

Sep 3-11-17-18-23-26-30	<b>TBV</b> Fri <b>TBV</b> Sat Fri-Sat Thu-Sun Thurs <b>TBD</b> Sat	<b>TBV</b> 12p-3p	DSR Open House-Car Show West Gate Chrysler / IMC Cruise-in Rain date 9-19 Plainfield IN Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race NMCA Race-Show Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg JDRF RUN/WALK – Victory Field Baseball Stadium - Indianapolis IN	Brownsburg, IN Plainfield IN Stanton MI Lucas Raceway (IRP-Clermont) MCL Cafeteria Indianapolis IN	Evan Springer Chuck Butler D Watt/M Lyes Dave Watt Jeff Platzer Steve Wisdom
Oct 28	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg Nominations for 2022 Officers	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Nov 18	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
			NOTE: 1 week early because of Thanksgiving - Election night for 2022 Officers		
	20-21	Sat-Sun	Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show	Rosemont IL	Tom Kelly/Dave Watt
Dec 11	<b>TBV</b> Sat	4p	Indy Mopar Club Christmas Party	Steve Wisdom's Clubhouse 1202 Leisure Lane, Greenwood 46142	Steve Wisdom
			NOTE: NO DECEMBER MEETING AT MCL		

**Local Cruise-Ins (Reoccurring)**

Months	Time	Name of Event / Day	Location	IMC Contact
May thru Sept	5-9pm	Danville Cruise-In 1st Friday of Month	Danville IN Town Square	Tom Kelly
<b>TBV</b>	6-9pm	Lowes Summer Cruise-in - Every Sat Night	Avon IN US 36	
<b>TBV</b>	<b>TBV</b>	Mooresville Cruise-in / <b>TBV</b>	Mooresville IN	Dick Crawmer
<b>TBV</b>	<b>TBV</b>	The SUDS Cruise-in / <b>TBV</b>	Greenwood IN	
		Martinsville Thursday Cruise on the Square	Martinsville IN	Dick Crawmer
<b>TBD</b>	Sat	9a-12p	Indpls Motor Speedway Museum Cars & Coffee	Speedway IN

**Event Calendar updated by Tom Kelly**



Have a Happy Valentine's Day

