



# Indy Mopar Club News

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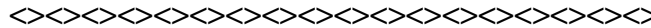
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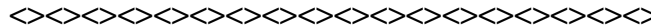
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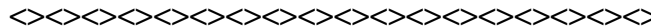
**Next regular meeting: Thursday, February 25, 2016** will be held at **MCL Cafeteria, 3630 South East Street** Indianapolis (US 31- N of Southern Plaza between Sumner & National). Meet for dinner at 6pm, meeting at 7pm. A Map Quest link is available on the IMC website – [www.indymoparclub.com](http://www.indymoparclub.com).



Welcome to new members **Mike & Chris Bryant**, Pendleton, 1968 Roadrunner and 2006 Jeep Wrangler LJ; **David & Michelle Hammons**, Indianapolis, 1967 Plymouth Barracuda; **Jake Kneiart**, Indianapolis, 2015 Dodge Challenger Scat Pack; **Dustin & Monica Stidd**, Indianapolis, 2012 Challenger RT and 2007 Durango; and welcome back **David Stephenson**, Indianapolis, 1967 Dodge Charger.



**\*\*\*\*Reminder – 2016 IMC Dues were due by January 31, 2016.\*\*\*\***



## Member Profile of the Month

My first introduction to Mopars was when I was 7-8 years old. My father had a black Plymouth sedan (no hemi) in the garage. My twin brother and I used to play in it. About the time we became interested in cars (12-13 years old) my father sold it. The new buyers inflated the tires, fresh gasoline, a fresh battery, started it up and drove it home.

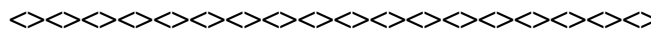
My twin was an employee at the Chrysler Electronics plant. His first new car was a 1965 Plymouth Satellite. It was a beautiful car.

My first Plymouth was a 1979 Valiant Brougham Station Wagon with a 318 V8 and A/C. This was followed by a 1987 Fifth Avenue. I also had a 1984 Dodge pickup, a 1987 Dodge pickup which I found at a dealer in Narrows, West Virginia (Big Red); followed by a 2002 Dodge Dakota Sport pickup; and a 1966 Plymouth II Satellite hardtop.

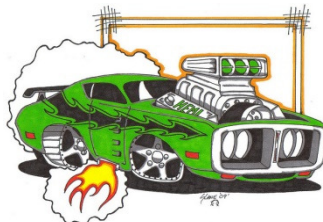
My latest acquisition is a 1964 Plymouth Sport Fury with a 440 which my brother found in a pole barn north of Cumberland, IN. I hope to have the rebuilt 440 engine (built by Steve Schmidt Racing) and a rebuilt 727 Transmission installed by late April or early May. Body work will be completed shortly after.

This has been a 7 year project with a very steep learning curve. I wish to thank those in the club who have helped me with suggestions and adjustments.

Author~~~~~Dave Opel



From your Indy Mopar Club President:



(Hope this guy doesn't mind if I use his car again?)

The NEW Indy Mopar Public Group Facebook Site is up and running and thus far working really well. It is attracting a lot of attention and for those of you that haven't seen it yet, I recommend that you visit the site. There are at present two Indy Mopar Facebook sites, the new Public Group site and the older IMC individual site. Our intentions are to combine the two and then discontinue the old one. Be sure to visit the new one.

You say "how do I know for sure which site I'm on?" Well for now the new Public Group Site opens up with a blue "Mopar Garage" signage for the Cover Photo and the Site title is "Indy Mopar Public

**Group**". The old site has a picture of a shaker hood scoop on a Hemi engine sitting in a yellow engine bay, (I presume a Barracuda). Title on that page is "Indy Mopar Club" and has a large blue Chrysler Pentastar Badge in the corner of the picture. That is the old site!

The Indy Cylinder Head Chrysler Performance Trade Show and Swap Meet is right around the corner. The set-up day is March 4<sup>th</sup> with the Trade Show and Swap Meet beginning on Saturday, March 5th and Sunday the 6th. At our next IMC meeting, we will be finalizing our plans for setting up our Indy Mopar Club display on Friday the 4<sup>th</sup>. We will also determine our staffing plans for the IMC booth for Saturday and Sunday.

We do need people to work the show helping to inform other Mopar Fanatics what the Indy Mopar Club is all about, signing up folks who would like to be part of the Indy Mopar Club, or just meet and greet all the Mopar Fanatics that attend the show. The Show is a two day affair so the more people we have to help out, the easier the task. It's a great time of comradery, a time to get to know your fellow club members and a very enjoyable time spent with our fellow Mopar family members. Please plan on participating and do sign up for a few hours to help.

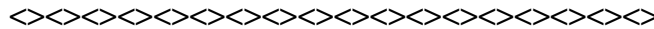
We have four members that have volunteered to put their cars on display in our exhibit at the Swap Meet. They are Bill Edgerton, Tony Fields, Carlton Brock and Lynn Standeford. We are going to present something a little different this year. We will be exhibiting three show cars and one project car that is undergoing restoration. We thank those who are taking the effort to display these cars. I also wish to express my thanks to Rick Ordo, Dick Crawmer and Bill Edgerton for volunteering to take the lead in planning the IMC/Fletcher Cruise-In Car Show in July. Thanks to Lynn Standeford for taking on the task of designing the Cruise-In brochure and Randy Smith for updating the IMC Membership Application form.

Lastly thanks to Steve Wisdom and Lynn for expending their energies to set up the IMC organizational structural components; LLC, tax exemption and not for profit statuses.

What great people we have in the Indy Mopar Club and I hope everyone can make the next IMC meeting February 25. Stay warm and be safe!

"Mopar or No Car".

Evan Springer  
Feb. 2016



### **INDY MOPAR CLUB MONTHLY MEETING, JANUARY 28, 2016**

President Evan Springer brought the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**WELCOME AND SIGN-IN:** Sign-in was conducted by Jan Peel. A good turnout of 34 attended: Regina Brock, Ronda Cherry, Stephen & Cathleen Claycomb, Jack Collins, Dick & Dorinda Crawmer, Bill & Randi Edgerton, Tony Fields, John Hynds & guest Janice Bonghi, Glenn Keilman, Ron & Dru Kriech, Mike Leyes, John Miller, Dave Opel, Rick Ordo, Jan Peel, Randy Smith, Evan Springer, Lynn Standeford, Bob Thomas, Dave Watt, Steve Wisdom, and guests Tony Rothstein, Al Opsahl, Jake Kneiart, Mike Bryant, David ("Butch") Hammons, Dustin & Monica Stidd, and Mike Wallace.

Evan then thanked everyone for coming and welcomed the guests. He then had each person give their name and a little about their "Mopar(s).

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Dave Opel

A. Minutes from the November, 2015, meeting were presented and accepted with no corrections.

**TREASURER'S REPORT AND MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:** Steve Wisdom

A. December 31, 2015 Balance \$2,150.38; January 2016 Income \$680.00; January Expenses \$100.00; January 28, 2016 Balance \$2,730.38.

**COMMUNICATION DIRECTOR REPORT:** Randy Smith

A. Upgrades and updates currently being discussed and worked on.

**MEMBER NEWS, BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:** Ronda Cherry

- A. Members Names and dates were reported and congratulated.

**EVENT CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS (Newsletter & IMC):** Ronda Cherry

- A. Indy Cylinder Head Show and Swap Meet – March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.
- B. 4 cars needed to show.

**EVENT ADVERTISING:** Ronda Cherry – no report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** – Evan Springer:

- A. Amend By-laws – Changes are being drafted.
- B. Social Media Upgrades – Randy Smith – will increase activity on Facebook
- C. Christmas Party Recap – December 6, 2015 at Steve Wisdom’s Club House – Evan Springer
- D. Sponsor Plaques – Fletcher, Westgate, Car Art, Indy Cylinder Head – these will be purchased.
  - 1. Steve Wisdom made a motion to purchase the plaques, Randy seconded the motion, the motion carried.
- E. Dividing duties – Communications Director and a Website Manager was discussed.
- F. New IMC dues structures - \$30 with a shirt - \$20 without a shirt - \$10 each extra shirt
- G. Other old Business - None

**NEW BUSINESS:** – Evan Springer

- A. Indy Cylinder Head Chrysler Performance Trade Show & Swap Meet – March 4<sup>th</sup> setup – show 5-6.
  - 1. Event Lead Coordinator – Ronda Cherry
  - 2. Volunteers Sign-up Sheet
  - 3. New design for 2016 IMC Membership Application – need for swap meet handout
  - 4. Jan Peel would like someone to take a few pictures
- B. 13<sup>th</sup> Annual IMC/Fletcher Cruise IN Car Show - July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – noon to 3:30pm.
  - 1. Event Lead Coordinator – Not designated yet
  - 2. Need illustrator for Flyer – would like to have handout for swap meet
  - 3. Will need Volunteers and collected donations for door prizes and goody bags – need letter for donations and/or coupons
- C. Indy Mopar Club, LLC or Inc. – Steve Wisdom
  - 1. Advantages and disadvantages discussed. To be investigated to determine which is most appropriate for Indy Mopar Club.
- D. Club Member Profile:
  - 1. December – Thanks to Lynn Standeford for a great article sharing her life with us!
  - 2. January – Christmas Party photos and write-up – Jan Peel
  - 3. February – Dave Opel
  - 4. March – TBD – need a volunteer or Jan Peel can pull up an OLD one. We have a lot of new members that might be interested.

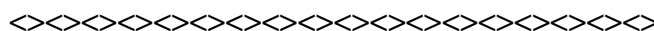
**OTHER NEW BUSINESS** – Evan Springer

- A. Ideas for future IMC activities discussed
  - 1. K-1 Speed Go-Karts, 9998 E 121<sup>st</sup> St, Noon–10pm 7 days @ week. 12 cars per race (Approximately 10 minutes duration. 2 races Minimum \$49; 3 races \$60; and 4 races \$80. Vehicles are electric.
- B. Show and Tell – Volunteers for future Show and Tell

Motion to adjourn was made by Dick Crawmer, seconded by Bob Thomas, adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Opel



## Member Birthdays and Anniversaries

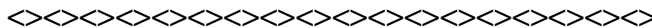


### March Birthdays:

Teresa Kelly, 3-2  
Miriam McBee, 3-2  
Char Cochran, 3-7  
Regina Brock, 3-19  
Janet Oller, 3-24  
Mickeal Matthews, 3-28  
Sue Kelly, 3-29

### March Anniversaries:

Dick and Dorinda Crammer, 3-14  
Congratulations to all!



### **An Oldie but Goodie Profile from the past – November 2008!**

#### **My other Mopar Bob Rosenberger**



Besides my 1970 Hemicuda clone, I have a numbers matching 1971 Dodge Challenger R/T. I had not owned a Mopar for twenty-six years prior to the purchase of this car. My last Mopar prior to this car was a 1970 Duster 340. With the gas crisis of the 70's and my own domestic priorities changing, I had made a conscious decision to give up on performance cars altogether.

Fast forward 20+ years. The desire to own an old muscle car started in 1994 while I was in Houston on business. I was on the interstate, going to my hotel, when I heard the unmistakable roar of a big-block, at speed, coming up behind me in the fast lane. I looked in the rearview mirror and there was the classic '69 Charger R/T coming toward me. It passed me on the left, probably going about 80+mph. It was a fully restored, B5-blue beauty. That got me to thinking about getting a project to restore an old Mopar.

After getting back home, I had decided to look for a 'Cuda to restore but was having difficulty getting a suitable car to work on. Most of the 'Cudas were already restored and their owners wanted a fortune for them or they were recently pulled out of a swamp and were missing most of their parts. I decided to purchase the Challenger because I was itching to have a muscle car and it was already restored - not to mention the fact I had been looking for a year and a half already. So now I could go to the cruises and shows while I was looking for my project car. The guy I bought it from was being cajoled into selling by his wife. They had just completed building a new house and the wife did not want "that old car" taking up space in the garage! He reluctantly put it up for sale. There was a buyer ahead of me but I had cash in my hand and that was all it took. Over the years, I would see the seller at various shows and swap meets and he would always ask me if I was interested in selling it back to him but I always said no.

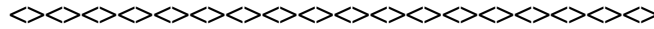
Basically it's a numbers matching Challenger R/T. It is a "stripe-delete" R/T though. I guess the original owner did not want to call any excess attention to himself from the highway patrol, as the car is originally from California. It has a 383 cid engine, "slap-stick" automatic trans., a 3.55 ratio 8 3/4" rear, power steering & brakes, AM - FM original radio, and it has factory air-conditioning. It is a nice car to drive and it has ample reserve power when you need it. I don't drive it nearly as much as I used to once the 'Cuda was completed. My wife, Karen, likes to drive it. She doesn't like to drive the 'Cuda though - it scares her!

Author – Bob Rosenberger



### Tattler's Corner

Wow, what a night the last meeting was. The room was crowded and that is a good thing, a couple "old" members and a "bunch" of guests. Keep it up!  
See you all next month.



### 2016 INDY MOPAR CLUB – EVENT LIST

Jan	28	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Feb	12-14	Fri-Sun		World of Wheels	Ind State Fairgrounds	
	25	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Mar	4	Fri	TBD	Set-Up – Indy Cyl Hd Chrysler Perfor. Trade Show		Evan Springer
	5-6	Sat-Sun		Indy Cyl Hd Chrysler Performance Trade Show	Ind State Fairgrounds	Evan Springer
	31	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Apr	28	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
May	11 – 14	Wed-Sat		Plymouth Owners Club National Meet – Kerrville, Texas – For info contact Jan Peel		
	26	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Jun	30	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Jul	9	Sat	TBD	Fletcher CDJR/IMC Cruise-In	Franklin, IN	
	28	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Aug	TBD	Fri-Sun		MOPAR NATIONALS	Columbus OH	
	25	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Sep	TBD	Sat	TBD	West Gate Chrysler / IMC Cruise-in	Plainfield IN	
	29	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Oct	TBD	Sat	9a-12n	JDRF RUN/WALK	Indianapolis IN	
	27	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg-Halloween	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Nov	17	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Dec	10	Sat	5pm	Indy Mopar Club Christmas Party?	Steve Wisdom's Clubhouse 1202 Leisure Lane, Greenwood 46142	Steve Wisdom