



# Indy Mopar Club News

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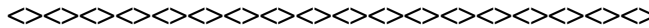
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Meetings are the last Thursday of every month except November & December.

**Next regular meeting: Thursday, January 26, 2012** 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).



### From the desk of President Brian Berkowitz

I would like to recap my first year as President. First I appreciate everything the other officers do for the club. I feel they work as hard, if not harder than me at our events. I also want to thank all the other members who have helped the club with our various events too.

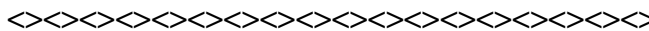
I went into last year bright eyed and scared to let everyone down. I had a lot of firsts during the year. I had never presided over a meeting, ran a show, picked out plaques, basically everything the club did was a first for me.

I learned a lot from last year. I wanted to make sure we had a lot of fun as a club and incorporate new events, while at the same time making money for JDRF. I would say we did a good job on all fronts. Feedback seemed to be good for all the new events we did and I hope we can continue incorporating new events and maintain our old ones.

I am currently working on our car show schedule for this year as we speak. It looks like 2012 will be full of shows, swap meets, weekend events and club gatherings. In closing, I hope 2012 is as rewarding for the club members as 2011 was.

Thank You

Brian Berkowitz



Thursday January 5 was a Go Karting event at Fast Times Indoor Karting located at Keystone Avenue and 96th street. 6 club members and 1 guest arrived, and we were greeted by the staff and watched some of the karts on the track. Then for those who haven't raced before, a short video explains how the racing works, safety, and the rules involved.

We proceeded to get our racing suits and helmets on. Once you climb into the kart, adrenaline kicks in. They release one kart at a time to provide a bit of space between everyone. Since some had not been there before, it took a few laps to get comfortable. The action was pretty close, quite a few 2 and 3 kart battles. It's amazing how tired we were after the 8 minute session was over, my legs felt like Jello. The fastest lap for each person was:

Laura Bratby 31.776 seconds

Brian Berkowitz 30.356

Tom Kelly 28.803

Jack 28.015

Bill Bratton 26.583

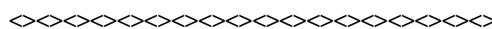
James Bratby 25.583

Dave Watt 24.933

James, Laura and myself went for one more ride. We were the only ones on the track, so I knew it would be a battle for King Of The Track. I could see James gaining track position on me lap by lap, so I knew he was good. On the 8th lap James set the bar with a 24.440. By the 18th lap, I was able to squeak out a little bit better lap with a 24.425.

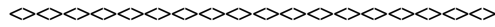
Maybe we will have an event like this again.

Author ~~~~~Dave Watt



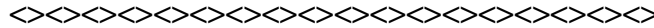
## REMINDER

2012 Dues are payable by January 31, 2012. If you haven't already paid them please send them in to Mike Leyes so that you don't miss out on any of our coming events.



### Upcoming Events – **\*\*Indy Mopar Club and others**

- \*\*January 26, 2012, – Indy Mopar Club meeting at MCL Cafeteria, 3630 South East Street, Indianapolis
- \*\*February 10-12, 2012 – 500 World of Wheels
- \*\*March 3-4, 2012, Indy Cylinder Head Show at the Blue Ribbon Pavilion at the Indiana State Fairgrounds.
- \*\*April 25-27, 2012, Spring Carlisle, Carlisle, PA
- \*\*July 11-14, 2012, WPC national meet in Kalamazoo, Michigan
- \*\*September 8, 2012 – Westgate Cruise-In
- \*\*October 6, 2012, Saturday, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk



### Member Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### February Birthdays:

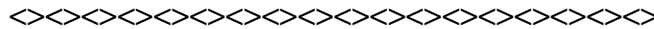


Thelma Fields, 2-4	Cindy Sanders, 2-8
Grover Upton, 2-9	James Bratby, 2-16
Brian Berkowitz, 2-17	Chris Dewees, 2-21
Dan Kelly, 2-21	Laura Bratby, 2-26
Tom Kelly, 2-28	

#### February Anniversaries:

Jack and Sheilla Collins, 2-2	Steve and Cheryl Wisdom, 2-7
Ric and Vicki LaFollette, 2-12	Michael and Patricia Patterson, 2-18

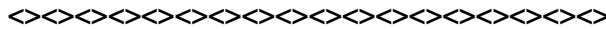
Congratulations to all!



### Tattler's Corner



The Go-Karting event sounds like a lot of fun. I noticed that Mike Leyes wasn't there, I wonder something – was it too tame for him? We'll have to challenge him next time!



### A Little bit of humor

1. **Law of Mechanical Repair** - After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to potty.
2. **Law of Gravity** - Any tool, nut, bolt, screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible place in the universe.
3. **Law of Probability** - The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.
4. **Law of Random Numbers** - If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal - and someone always answers.
5. **Law of Close Encounters** - The probability of meeting someone you know INCREASES dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.
6. **Law of the Result** - When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, IT WILL!!!
7. **Law of Biomechanics** - The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.
8. **Law of the Theater & Sport Arena** - At any event, the people whose seats are furthest from the aisle, always arrive last. They leave their seats several times to go for food, beer, or the toilet and leave early before the end of the performance/game is over. The folks in the aisle seats come early, never move once, have long gangly legs or big bellies and stay to the bitter end of the performance. The aisle people also are very surly folk.
9. **Law of Physical Surfaces** - The chances of an open-faced jelly sandwich landing face down on a floor, are directly correlated to the newness and cost of the carpet or rug.
10. **Law of Logical Argument** - Anything is possible IF you don't know what you are talking about.
11. **Brown's Law of Physical Appearance** - If the clothes fit, they're ugly.
12. **Wilson's Law of Commercial Marketing Strategy** - As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it.
13. **Doctors' Law** - If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor, by the time you get there you'll feel better.. But don't make an appointment, and you'll stay sick.

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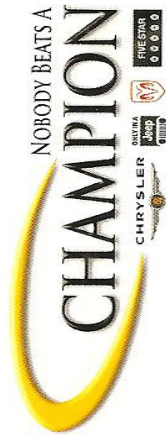
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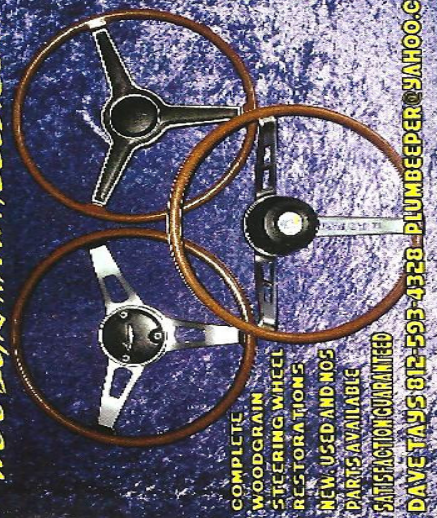
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