

## **Indy Mopar Club News**

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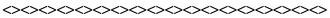
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Meetings are the last Thursday of every month except November & December.

Next regular meeting: Thursday, March 31, 2011 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.



### President's Corner

### 2011 Chrysler Performance Swap Meet

Well it was back to the Fairgrounds again for the Swap Meet. It seemed like the World of Wheels just ended. But actually there were a couple weeks in between events. First of all I want to thank everyone that helped on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. I will not try to name all that helped, I might forget someone. I know we sold out of past show t-shirts rather quickly and got some membership renewals and some new members. Plus saw some members I have not seen in awhile. It was a busy fun filled weekend, I hope everyone had a good time and found some deals.

Brian Berkowitz, President



Tony and Thelma Fields - Our 1967 Plymouth Barracuda





In 2006 after working for 42 years I retired at the age of 59. My wife Thelma bought the 'Cuda as a retirement gift for me. It was a true basket case.

The car was White with a Metallic Red interior. It had the 225 Slant Six with an automatic on the column. It also had a bench seat in front. The car came with manual steering and manual drum brakes. When we got it, the engine and tranny were missing. The front windshield was long gone and the rear glass was out of the car with some deep scratches in it. It had the rear end in it...a 7-1/4. The gas tank and filler tube were missing as well as the rear fold down door into the trunk area. The bumpers were rusted thru, the quarters were rusted and the frame rails and torsion bar mounts were rusty.

Someone had purchased a couple of bucket seats prior to us buying it but they were never installed. I started buying parts right after we got the car. I talked Lengendary Interiors into making me 1967 seat covers with the Red color used in 1969. I didn't want the Metallic Red inside with Black outside. Just would not look right. We also added a console with the floor shifter. In the engine compartment we stepped up to the 360. It is 1978 vintage...not sure what it came from. We had it bored +.060 and the rotating assembly was balanced. Pistons are dished and are down in the hole as was stock. Wanted to keep the compression low so 87 octane fuel could be used.



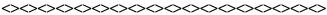


The cam is a Comp XE 284 flat tappet hyd. with roller rockers. The intake is an Edelbrock Performer RPM Air Gap that has been powder coated. The heads are also Edelbrock Performer RPM units. Fuel is supplied by a Quick Fuel SS 650 cfm double pumper with an electric choke. Spark is provided by a 6AL MSD unit and also includes the wires, coil and dist.

Exhaust manifolds are stock 360 Dodge Polara pieces and they too have been powder coated. They connect to a TTI 2-1/2" exhaust system with Dynomax Super Turbo mufflers.

We were only able to log 3000 miles on the 'Cuda before winter set in. We are looking forward to spring and summer so we can get back on the road. Thelma and I will be taking the 'Cuda on the 2011 Hot Rod Power Tour. We will be doing the Long Haul from Cocoa Beach, Florida to Detroit, Michigan. Can't wait for that one....can you say Road Trip!

See you on the road......these cars are made for driving! Tony & Thelma Fields



### **Members News and Information**

Welcome to our new members: Gregory and Denise Cook, Indianapolis, 1969 Plymouth Road Runner; Carson Payne, Fishers, 1965 Plymouth Barracuda; Grover and Jill Upton, Indianapolis, 1967 Dodge R/T and 1967 Dodge Dart Swinger; and welcome back Bob and Diane Biesel, Brownsburg, 1969 Dodge Charger. We hope to see all of you real soon at a meeting or car show.

Ken and Sharon Scobel became grandparents for the third time on Monday, February 21. Ken and Sharon's Air Force daughter Tracy Scobel Bennett gave birth to daughter Victoria Rose Bennett. Victoria (Tori) entered this world at 9 lbs 7ozs, and 20" long. Tracy and her husband Brett are currently stationed at Hickam AFB in Honolulu, so Ken and Sharon are planning a trip to Hawaii in the near future. Victoria joins older brother Tyler who will be 4 years old next month.

On Friday March 4 at 4:30 am, Carlton Brock lost his brother Scott to a courageous battle with cancer. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends.

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### INDY MOPAR CLUB, MONTHLY MEETING FEBRUARY 24, 2011 SECRETARY REPORT

WELCOME AND SIGN-IN: Sign-in conducted by Jan Peel. 29 members attended.

President, Brian Berkowitz, brought the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All members and guests were asked to introduce themselves: Brian Berkowitz, Bill Bratton, Carlton & Regina Brock, Ronda & Dennis Cherry, Rick & Susan Eilert, Tony & Thelma Fields, John Heeringa, Tom Kelly, Mike Leyes, Larry & Susan Mayes, Scott Oller, Jan Peel, Bob Rosenberger, David Sanders, Ken & Sharon Scobel, Mike Wallace, Tom & Glenda Wallace, Dave Watt, Tom Williams, Steve & Cheryl Wisdom, Ginger Zimmerman.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Glenda Wallace gave the highlights for the January meeting.

### TREASURER'S REPORT & MEMBERSHIP UPDATE: Mike Leyes:

**Balance** as of January 27, 2011, was \$2896.95. **Income** for January, 2011, was \$960.00. **Expenses** were \$223.60. **Income** for February, 2011, was \$1374.00. **Expenses** for February, 2011, were \$1440.32. **Ending Balance** as of February 24, 2011, was \$2740.63.

Mike indicated that he has T-shirts from the 2010 Fletcher show, on sale for \$2.00. These shirts will also be available at the Indy Cylinder Head show March  $5^{th}$  and  $6^{th}$ .

**Membership:** There were 56 members as of February 27, 2011.

### **COMMUNICATIONS REPORT:** Dave Watt:

Dave reported that he will clean up the web site that contains the cars and parts page, and business cards. He reported that he has had contact with an agent in Avon, Indiana, who insures classic cars, and the agent is interested in advertising in our newsletter. All Club members by show of hands, agreed to allow the agent to advertise in the newsletter.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Brian Berkowitz:

Club Profile for Newsletter:

March: Tony Fields April: John Bauer May: Tom Kelly

June: No volunteers as yet. Jan may have to provide story about her four dogs!

Updates for IMC Car Shows:

ADESSA is confirmed for 6-11-11, with rain date of 6-25-11.

Champion is confirmed for 7-23-11.

Fletcher is confirmed, for 5-21-11. Brian will contact them regarding funds for the show.

Westgate is confirmed as cruise in, but no date yet.

Event Advertising Update - Bill Bratton

Bill reported that car show at Champion is coming up in July.

Events Coordinator update - Dave Sanders

500 World of Wheels:

This event was held Feb 11<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>, and it was a huge success, with the Indy Mopar Club receiving \$500, and a nice plaque for Best Club Display. The Club members determined that Tom Kelly should receive the \$500 and the plaque for all of his hard work on the display theme. Tom accepted the plaque and a banner that was used for the display. He stated that the \$500 should stay with the Club. There were also funds left over from renting carpet used in the display. Those funds will stay with the Club

A trophy, which Indy Mopar Club won for Club Participation last year at the World of Wheels, and is a traveling award, belongs to the Indy Highwinders. Indy Highwinders no longer participate in the World of Wheels event. It was determined that the traveling trophy should be returned to the Highwinders, as this trophy has a long history with their club.

Indy Cylinder Head show March 5-6-2011:

There will be 4 cars displayed at the show. Dave Sanders (1970 Dart Swinger 340); Bill Bratton (1999 Dodge Dakota R/T; Brian Berkowitz (1972 Plymouth Duster); and Ed Leyes (1970 Dodge Challenger Convertible). Coordinator, John Bauer, was not in attendance at the meeting, but Ronda Cherry had the volunteer sign up sheets, which everyone reviewed. Brian Berkowitz reported that the brochures will be ready.

50/50 Licensing Issues:

Still no decision regarding the 50/50.

### **NEW BUSINESS:** Brian Berkowitz

Brian provided more information about an upcoming event for JDRF at the J.W. Marriott Hotel in downtown Indianapolis on 4-16-11, which includes dinner, dancing and silent auction. The cost

appears to be \$225 per person. Those interested can go on-line for more information.

There was no specific discussion regarding summer and fall cruises, or model car show; however, these items will be discussed at future meetings.

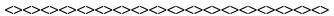
Dave Sanders will contact Westgate Chrysler regarding the upcoming cruise in. He will also contact Skillmans for information regarding a future tour of the muscle car museum and having our monthly meeting there.

The new Club polo shirts were available. The shirts are red with the Indy Mopar Club logo in black. Ginger Zimmerman provided information regarding the hand out of flyers at the Fletcher show, and that the flyers can be shown by diners to certain restaurants, such as Bob Evans, and the restaurant will donate a certain percentage to Indy Mopar Club on behalf of JDRF.

There was no 50/50 drawing at Club meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded

Respectfully Submitted Glenda Wallace



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

- \*\* March 31, 2011, Indy Mopar Meeting, MCL Cafeteria
- \*\*June 11, 2011, Adessa Car Show with rain date of June 25, 2011.
- \*\*July 23, 2011, Champion Car Show is confirmed.
- \*\*May 21, 2011, Indy Mopar/Fletcher Chrysler Car Show.



### **Member Birthdays and Anniversaries**



### April Birthdays:

Bob Biesel, 4-2

Diane Gillock, 4-4

Debbie Komlanc, 4-5

Mel Crane, 4-7

Kristen Gallup, 4-12

Ginger Zimmerman, 4-14

Rick Eilert, 4-15

Stan Sanders, 4-17

Diane Norman, 4-18

Rick Zimmerman, 4-19

April Anniversaries:

I am not showing any Anniversaries for April.

Congratulations to all!





It is amazing to me that with so many members, both attending and those not attending, that absolutely no one misbehaved in March. Guess we don't have many "tattlers". Hmmmm!

I would appreciate any news about our members that have attended other events and/or have had their cars or stories in other publications. This is your newsletter, help me make it an even better one by sharing this kind of information so it can be published here. You can contact me by E-mail <a href="mailto:Jpeel83719@aol.com">Jpeel83719@aol.com</a> or call me at 317-357-5760 or send it to me by mail: Jan Peel, 5128 E Rowney St, Indianapolis IN 46203-3741. (Complaints may also be handled this way. Be gentle when you do this please.)

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