

Indy Mopar Club News



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

Next regular meeting: <u>September 26, 2019</u>, 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 – <u>www.indymoparclub.com</u>.

Welcome to new member Bob Moreland, Indianapolis, with a 2016 Dodge Hellcat, and a 2018 Dodge Charger. We hope to see him at one of our meetings or events.

Presidents Message

We have a beautiful Fall starting. We went fishing and found a new place to catch Bass. NMCA is coming to Lucas Oil Raceway, IRP for us old folks, this month. Enter your car Sat or Sun, and you can drive your coolers and whatever in. Instead of carrying from the parking lot. Hint.. a lot smarter and the same price. lots of racing. watch Dodge win the Factory Supercar Shootout. See you there.

Bob Thomas - September 2019

Westgate Cruise-In 2019

The September 7, 2019 Westgate Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep Cruise-In for JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) was another success. Past weather at our event has literally been all over the weather map but his year was near perfect. Though a bit overcast and chilly in the morning, a few of us did end up with a light red glow on our faces at the end of the afternoon. The sun was definitely peeking out periodically to shine down on our event!

I understood the official car count was just over 90 though there were quite a few cruisers that just stopped in and didn't want to register so there were actually over a hundred beautiful cars, trucks and bikes to view that day.

The Club's good friend and retired Westgate salesman Bob Davidson and friend Randy Ray spun the golden oldies and manned the PA all afternoon. A great selection of tunes to liven the day. As I greeted cars and directed them to the photo area, I told one cruiser that he arrived just in time! I said keep your window down and you can hear 'Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels' playing "Devil with a Blue Dress On". That brought a smile as he motored on into the show.

As in the past, complimentary photos were taken of participants, door prizes and silent auction items were outstanding and plentiful. Some very unique items were on the tables this year along with some very nice gift coupons from local businesses. Rodney Skelton, parts manager at Westgate brought out multiple boxes of some of the coolest Mopar hats, water bottles, and other items for the door prize tables.

The Cruise-In field had something for everyone. There were custom bikes, resto-mods, rat rods, classics, both early and late model muscle cars & trucks from all manufacturers. There were a

lot of walk-in spectators who parked in the shopping center lot and walked over so hopefully some found their way into the showroom to look at the new Mopar stock for Westgate's benefit.



Jeff King & his crew from King's Classics provided his culinary delights again this year with his portable grill preparing delicious pulled pork, burgers and coleslaw. The wonderful folks at Culver's Plainfield store provided free ice cream at the show and coupons for even more free ice cream at their store.



One of the highlights of the afternoon was the moving narrative by the mother of a child discovered to have diabetes at age two. Kaylene Graber with her two small children at her side, spoke to the crowd about the day to day struggles after doctors diagnosed her daughter Kolby Kae. Kaylene spoke lovingly of the help, support and assistance provided by the individuals of the JDRF 'family'. She ended with a heartfelt THANK YOU from her, four-year-old Kolby Kae and on behalf of the JDRF group for all those who donate on their behalf.



Steve Wisdom, IMC Treasurer tallied the donations for JDRF from the Westgate show as follows: \$806 cash contributions, \$210 event tee shirt sales, \$61 extra door prize ticket sales & \$240 from the silent auction items for a total of \$1317. Steve has already issued a check to JDRF and with

other donations this year from the Indy Cylinder Head Tradeshow booth (\$142) and the Fletcher Cruise-In (\$1818.41), our club has donated a total of \$3277.41 this year to JDRF.

The Indy Mopar Club would like to thank Westgate Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram for once again hosting this fantastic Cruise-in and allowing the IMC to assist in this benefit for JDRF. Sponsors for the door prizes and silent auction items included the following gratious Plainfield merchants: Logan's Roadhouse, Chili's, Red Robin, Claddagh's Irish Pub, Culver's Restaurant, Advance Auto Parts, Auto Zone and O'Reilly Auto Parts. Thanks also to the Mooresville NAPA Auto Parts store and of course Rodney Skelton of Westgate for the multitude of Mopar items.



Chuck Butler, the IMC event coordinator for the Westgate Cruise-in expressed his grateful appreciation to the Club members who stepped up for set-up, organizing and oversight of registration, parking, door prizes and doling out the free ice cream.



A very special THANK YOU goes to Tammy Skelton of Westgate CDJR for her 'over the top' work again this year on making this event the fantastic success it has become. Tammy relayed to Chuck that she even had three different participants call her at work saying this was 'the best car event' they have attended this year. Doesn't get any better than that! Article submitted by Tom Kelly Sept 2019 Pictures provided by Rick Ordo

Indy Mopar Club Meeting Minutes Meeting August 29, 2019 GN-IN:

WELCOME AND SIGN-IN:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by our President Bob Thomas.

Those attending Bob Thomas, Chuck & Linda Butler, Ronda Cherry, Tim & Sandra Dewitt, Brian & Valinda Harrell, Tom Kelly, Ron Kriech, David Opel, Jeff Platzer, Evan Springer, Robert & Patty Turner, Steve Wisdom, and Rick Zimmerman.

Membership members discussed briefly concerning some of their MOPARS. 17 members were present. Secretary's Report – Dave Opel

A. Minutes from the July meeting were presented with no corrections.

B. A motion was made by Evan Springer, seconded by Chuck Butler, the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Steve Wisdom

- A. July 25, 2019 balance was \$3,888.15; August income was \$124.00; August expenses were \$558.69; August 29, 2019 Balance \$3,453.46. Flower Fund \$162.85. 54 paid members.
- B. Bob Thomas made a motion to accept the report, Evan Springer seconded the motion, the motion carried.

Communication Director – Randy Smith absent - Bob Thomas gave the report

A. Randy sent an e-mail that our club has secured IMC.com

Member News, Birthdays, Anniversaries – Chuck Butler

A. Chuck Butler gave the report for the birthdays and anniversaries. Congratulations to all.

Event Calendar – Chuck Butler

- A. Chuck read list of upcoming events.
- B. Evan Springer spoke of August 30th open house at DSR. Those interested to meet at Marsh Food Market parking lot at 8-8:30am and then drive to Flapjacks in Brownsburg for breakfast.

Old Business - Bob Thomas

- A. DSR Open House August 30
- B. Westgate Cruise-In September 7

New Business – Bob Thomas

- A. Other New Business open to membership Upcoming shows this month
- B. Club Newsletter Member Profile
 - a. September Westgate Cruise-In
 - b. October Need Volunteer
 - c. November Need Volunteer
 - d. December Christmas Party

Ronda Cherry made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chuck Butler. The meeting was adjourned at 8:pm. Respectfully submitted,

Dave Opel

October Birthdays:

Ann Smith, 10-1 Patricia Patterson, 10-14 Karen Rosenberger, 10-20 Scott Oller, 10-27

October Anniversaries:

Ron and Dru Kriech, 10-9 Brian and Valinda Harrell, 10-12 Tim and Sandy Dewitt, 10-17 **Congratulations to all!** Dave Opel, 10-5 Michael Patterson, 10-20 Patricia Turner, 10-21 Jack Collins, 10-30

Harry and LouAnn Ewing, 10-11 Robert and Patricia Turner, 10-16 Dart and Donna Liebrandt, 10-26



Tattler's Corner Thanks to all the volunteers that helped at the Westgate Cruise-In. And thanks to Rick Ordo for the pictures and to Tom Kelly for the narrative of the show.



Westgate Cruise-In

2019 INDY MOPAR CLUB – EVENT LIST – TBV – to be verified TBD – to be determined

Jul 13	Sat		Fletcher CDJR/IMC Cruise-In	Franklin, IN	Dick Crawmer
12-14	Fri-Sun		Carlisle Chrysler Nats	Carlisle PA	Dave Watt
16-21	Tue-Sun		National DeSoto Club Convention	Hutchinson KS	Tom Kelly
20-21	Sat-Sun		Belvidere Mopar Happening	Belvidere IL	Tom Kelly
25	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Bob Thomas
Aug 9-11	Fri-Sun		MOPAR NATIONALS-Nat'l Trails Racew	way Columbus (Hebron) OH	Tom Kelly
13-18	Tue-Sat		Walter P Chrysler Club National Meet	Auburn Hills MI	Tom Kelly
13-17	Tue-Sat		Back to the Bricks Car Show	Flint MI	Tom Kelly
17	Sat		Woodward Dream Cruise	Oakland County MI	Tom Kelly
29	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Bob Thomas
30	Fri	9am	DSR Open House-Car Show	Brownsburg IN	Evan Springer
Sep 7	Sat	TBD	West Gate Chrysler / IMC Cruise-in	Plainfield IN (Rain Date 9-14	Bob Thomas
12-15	Thu-Sun		Plymouth Owners Club National Meet	St. Clair MO Tom I	Kelly/Jan Peel
13-14	Fri-Sat		Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race	Stanton MI Dave	Watt/Tom Kelly
19-22	Thu-Sun		NMCA Race-Show	Lucas Raceway (IRP-Clermont)	Dave Watt
26	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Bob Thomas
Oct 31	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Bob Thomas
5	Sat	8:30-12N	JDRF RUN/WALK - Victory Field	Indianapolis IN	Steve Wisdom
	4 Sat-Sun		Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show	Rosemont IL Dave	Watt/Tom Kelly
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Enjoy the rest of the summer and stay COOL!