

# **Indy Mopar Club News**

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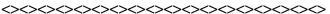


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Meetings are the last Thursday of every month except November & December.

Next regular meeting: <u>March 26, 2020</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 – www.indymoparclub.com.



#### March IMC Newsletter President's Note:

I hate starting this off on a down note but feel I must. Having just watched as all public schools, the NBA, NCAA and other major organizations have canceled their activities and events in light of the public virus threat, I believe it prudent to cancel our planned Indianapolis 500 Museum visit on March 21. We can always reevaluate and reschedule in few weeks after gauging the situation. We'll leave the remaining meetings and events on our schedule alone for now but monitor closely.

On a positive note, our first IMC event of the year with our booth and display at the Indy Cylinder Head Show was a success. We had a great turnout of members hanging out, stopping by and visiting with old friends. We had quite a few renewing memberships or signing up as new members. I'd like to thank all that helped with set-up and manned the booth throughout the weekend. A special thanks to those taking the time and effort to bring their vehicles for our club display: Jeff & Deb Platzer ('65 Belvedere), Steve & Cheryl Wisdom (Dodge Rampage), Dick & Dorinda Crawmer (supercharged Dodge Challenger) and Dave Watt (Curious Yellow '71 Plymouth 340 Duster). It was a great variety of vehicles making a wonderful display! My unofficial observation was that there was a great Saturday morning, thinning out in the late afternoon and as in past years, a pretty light crowd on Sunday. We had lots of visitors, and many admiring our excellent selection of display vehicles all weekend. And when it was over, again thanks to all that stayed over to help in teardown on Sunday afternoon.

We have another great activity coming up next month, namely a trek to Dayton Ohio to visit the National Museum of the US Air Force on Saturday April 18 (more details to come) and will hopefully be able to reschedule the IMS Museum soon. Based on the activities survey we reviewed at the last meeting, we will set up additional Club events in the summer ahead. We'll hopefully have some exciting events you'll want to attend.

In closing, please keep informed and use all recommended precautions with this nasty virus that is changing all our lives. Wishing all a healthy spring and hope to see you at our upcoming events. All the best,

Tom



Welcome to new members Bill and Sherri Grohovsky, Monrovia, with a 1966 Dodge Charger and a 2019 Dodge Charger Scat Pack; and new member Jeremiah Johnson, Camby, with a 1965 Belvedere II. We hope to see them soon at a meeting or event.



# Member Profile



Hello fellow Indy Mopar Club members. During last month's meeting, a call went out for volunteers to write a profile and I jumped at the chance. My name is Jay Williamson from Franklin, Indiana and I'm very excited to be a new member of The Indy Mopar Club. I am a car guy through and through. Over the years, I have owned and restored many cars. My goal was always to buy, restore, sell and try to make a little profit and build up my savings until I could finally buy my first B Body Mopar. After 35 years of buying and selling, I was finally able to get my first Mopar last July. A 1967 Dodge Coronet RT 4 speed. When I found the car on the internet, I was hooked. I sent an inspection service to Georgia to

look at the car and with a better than good report, I made the deal and she was on her way. I was happy when the car arrived, but it needed a few little things. The most important being a new differential gasket. It was a lot of work

tearing that rear end apart to replace a \$4.00 gasket, but I got it done and replaced the wheel bearings and seals for good measure while I had the axels out. The next project was to figure out why water was leaking from the side of the block. Turns out that when they rebuilt the motor, they failed to replace the freeze plugs in the heads. Another painful project. I had a heck of a time getting the headers off because they were resting on the inner fender well, plus the suspension was rubbing on the oil pan. Turns out that someone forgot to install insulators in the motor mounts and the engine was sitting about 2" too low. In September, I decided to let The Finer Details in Danville do the rest of the small button up projects, such as new wiring, new seat foam. The plan is to have her back by car show season.



Some of the other projects I have completed were a 1932 Harley-Davidson, 1940 Packard Business Coup, 1948 Buick Convertible, 1959 Thunderbird Convertible, 1960 Studebaker Convertible, 1964 Thunderbird Convertible, 1965 Thunderbird Special Landau, and the last car was a 1959 Lincoln Continental Convertible, which now resides in France.



#### Indy Mopar Club Meeting Club Minutes February 27,2020

#### WELCOME AND SIGN-IN

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Tom Kelly.

Those attending were Tom Kelly, Ron Kriech, Ronda Cherry, Steve Wisdom, Evan Springer, Bob Thomas, Jay Williamson, Rick Zimmerman, Dick and Dorinda Crawmer, Tim Dewitt, Bill Edgerton, Dart and Donna Liebrandt, Dave Opel, Jeff Platzer, Steve Claycomb, and Ed Wagler.

#### Secretary's Report - Ron Kriech

**A.** The January meeting minutes were accepted as printed in the IMC newsletter.

#### **Treasure's Report – Steve Wisdom**

A. February 27, 2020 balance was \$1,788.26; February income was \$220.00; February expenses were \$328.36; Flower Fund \$294.35.

#### **Communication Director - Randy Smith**

**A.** Randy was not in attendance. Tom Kelly read the Communications Directors report regarding web site costs and charges. The web site and software need updated before we can make significant changes.

#### Members News, Birthdays, Anniversaries - Chuck Butler

**A.** Chuck was not in attendance. Ron Kriech read the report for the birthdays and anniversaries. Congratulation to all.

#### **Event Calendar – Chuck Butler**

- **A.** Fletcher cruise-in is scheduled for July 11, 2020 from 10 2. Steve Wisdom will take point.
- **B.** Westgate cruise-in is scheduled For September 12, 2020 from 12 3. Chuck Butler has agreed to take point on this event.

## **Event Advertising – Evan Springer**

**A.** Evan has sent our cruise-in information to applicable media outlets. Our Club will be listed in the Mopar Collectors Guide. Please contact Evan with other publications of interest to list our events.

#### **Old Business - Tom Kelly**

- **A.** Steve Wisdom contacted Dave Stephenson and he will resend our Christmas Pictures for the newsletter.
- **B.** By-law revision was defined for Section 5. The change was sent to the full membership for review. A vote on the By-Law changes was held at this meeting. The results were 16-yes and 0-no. The changes will be made.
- **C.** The membership page and website on hold until updates can be made.

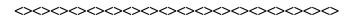
#### **New Business – Tom Kelly**

- A. There was a discussion about future club outings. They include Ray Skillman museum, State Park cruise-in/pitch-ins, and a drive-in movie. The SCCA (Sports Car Club of America) group was contacted and offered ride-alongs, our own timed solo competition or even to drive our cars with us for driving instruction if interested. More discussion later if interest.
- B. We will be going to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum on March 21st and Wright Patterson Air museum on April 18<sup>th</sup>.
- C. There will be a Walk for JDRF at Holiday World in Santa Clause, Indiana on May 17<sup>th</sup>. We discussed if interest in the Club gathering at this event instead of the Fall Walk at Indians Victory Field if they will allow our Club and Car Display in the Holiday World parking lot at that event. Steve Wisdom will contact JDRF to discuss.
- D. The IMC business cards and name tags are being researched for price and availability.

No 50/50 raffle was held. Dick Crawmer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Rick Zimmerman. The meeting ended at 8:06 PM.

For your approval,

Ron Kriech





Sherri Grohovsky, 4-6

Mel Crane, 4-7

Ron Kriech, 4-8

Ginger Zimmerman, 4-14

Bob Moreland, 4-16

Rick Zimmerman, 4-19

Evan Springer, 4-23

Tim Dewitt, 4-27

# **April Anniversaries:**

Rick and Anna Bruetig, 4-16 Wendell and Sheri Kegerreis, 4-21

Jeff and Sherri Andis, 4-29

**Congratulations to all!** 



**Pictures from the 2019 Christmas Party** 







Our two valuable "instignators" setting up









It seems like some people have trouble hanging on to their gifts



























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# **Tattler's Corner**

With the Coronavirus on everyone's mind be careful where you go, who you are with, and stay safe.

2020 INDY MOPAR CLUB – EVENT LIST – TBV – to be verified TBD – to be determined-updated by Tom Kelly

Mar		Fri	TBD	Indy Cyl Hd Show Set-up		Ronda Cherry
	7-8	Sat-Sun		Indy Cyl Hd Chrysler Performance Trade Show		Tom Kelly
	26	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
Apr	30	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
May	2	Sat	11a-5p	Cinco de Mopar-Purdue Cancer Research Car Sh	now - Lafayette, IN	Tom Kelly
	8-9	Fri-Sat		FAST-Pure Stock Drags - US 131 Motorspo	orts Park - Martin, MI Dave Wat	t/Mike Leyes
	12-17	Tue-Sun		Mecum Collector Car Auction	IN State Fairgrounds	Tom Kelly
	16-17	Sat-Sun		Chrysler Power Classic Nat'l Trail Raceway		Dave Watt
	28	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
Jun	17-21	Wed-Sun		Airflow Club of America 57 <sup>th</sup> National Mee	t Independence, MO	Tom Kelly
	17-21	Wed-Sun		Plymouth Owners Club National Meet	Springfield, IL Tom K	Kelly-Jan Peel
	25	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
Jul	11	Sat	10a-2p	Fletcher Chrysler - IMC Cruise-In	Franklin, IN	Steve Wisdon
	10-12	Fri-Sun	_	Carlisle Chrysler Nats	Carlisle PA Dave V	Watt/Tom Kelly
	7-29-8-2	Tue-Sun		National DeSoto Club National Meet	Brookfield, WI	Tom Kelly
	30	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
Aug	7-9	Fri-Sun		MOPAR NATIONALS-Nat'l Trails Racewa	ay Columbus (Hebron) OH	Tom Kelly
	15	Sat		Woodward Dream Cruise (week long lead u	p Oakland County MI	Jeff Platzer
	27	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
	TBD	Tue-Sat		Walter P Chrysler Club National Meet	TBD	Tom Kelly
Sep	4	Fri	TBV	DSR Open House-Car Show	Brownsburg, IN	Evan Springe
	12	Sat	12n-3p	West Gate Chrysler / IMC Cruise-in	Plainfield IN	Chuck Butler
	18-19	Fri-Sat		Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race	Stanton MI Dave Y	Watt-Mike Leye
	24-27	Thu-Sun		NMCA Race-Show	Lucas Raceway (IRP-Clermont)	Dave Watt
	24	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
	TBD	Sat	9a-12n	JDRF RUN/WALK – Victory Field Basebal	ll Stadium - Indianapolis IN	Steve Wisdon
Oct	29	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg Nominations for 2021 Officers	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
Nov	19	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Tom Kelly
				1 week early because of Thanksgiving - Ele		
	21-22	Sat-Sun		Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show	Rosemont IL Dave V	Watt/Tom Kelly
Dec	14	Sat	4pm	Indy Mopar Club Christmas Party	Steve Wisdom's Clubhouse 1202 Leisure Lane, Greenwood 4	Tom Kelly 6142
Months T			Time	Local Cruise-Ins (Reoccurring) Time Name of Event / Day Location		
	thru Sep	ıt	5-9pm	Danville Cruise-In 1st Friday of Month	Danville IN Town Square	IMC Contact Tom Kelly
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	TBV		TBV	Mooresville Cruise-in / TBV	Mooresville IN	
	TBV		TBV	The SUDS Cruise-in / TBV	Greenwood IN	
Apr		Sat	9a-12p	Indpls Motor Speedway Museum Cars & Co		Tom Kelly
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