

was at his house in Pittsboro, Indiana. The car was for sale in Clayton, Indiana, which wasn't very far away...so we decided to go look at it. The owner's name was John and he had bought it new in 1970 from Danville Chrysler Plymouth. I bought the car and my wife was HOT! We were 24 years old and had 3 car payments and a new baby.



I had the car about 5 years. I was working at Firestone Rubber in Noblesville, Indiana. My boss's husband kept asking me to sell him the car. He wore me down and I eventually sold him the car in 1985. I had given my word on the sale and I believe a man's word is his bond. When Bill and his wife came to get the car, my wife was crying with tears running down her cheeks. "Please don't sell this car"... but I had given my word. So, it was gone. He didn't have 6 weeks before he sold it and bought a new Chevy pickup truck.

So, for a lot of years, I have lived with regrets of selling my Road Runner. Over the years, I have purchased many magazines and looked at car shows for it to no avail. I have owned a 1968 GTX convertible and a 2010 Dodge Challenger, but nothing could take the place of my Road Runner.

When I bought the Road Runner, my Dad had told me to see if I could get the original title back. Of course, that was not possible, but the BMV said they could make a copy for me. I have kept that copy all these years.

After years of searching, I eventually came across the Lost Muscle Cars group on Facebook...and I contacted them with my information. I told them it was 1970 Roadrunner, motor 383, 4 speed, the VIN# and the Indiana inspection sticker on the windshield...along with the year I sold it. It was no time that Lost Muscle Cars (LMC) contacted me.... "we have found your car". The car was outside of Knoxville, Tennessee...the owner's name was Greg. LMC contacted him and asked "do you still own this car? Is it this VIN #? Does it still have the Indiana inspection sticker on it? Greg answered YES...YES and YES. The LMC guy yells at Greg... "I have found it... I have found it!" Unfortunately, Greg thought LMC had found his previously owned green 1970 Roadrunner!

Greg had owned a green 1970 Roadrunner years ago, so he had wanted another 1970 Road Runner. He had purchased my old car two years earlier because it was number matching with the build sheets, 4 speed and air grabber hood. My old RR had gone through a number of owners since I sold it, one owner keeping it for 20 years in his drive-in basement before Greg bought it.

After LMC clarified the situation, Greg contacted me, and we had a great conversation. I told him that we had a home in Florida and that we were snowbirds... Greg said as we were traveling to Florida...come by and you can drive it. So after all those years, I got to drive the car again and we talked for a couple of hours. Greg and his wife Pam are an awesome couple. He tells me, "I know how you feel; I missed my car for years". I told him things about my old car that he didn't know. Things like it had a map light and there's a tear in the passenger seat. A person got in my car and had a screwdriver in his back pocket. Greg told me this car has some special options...I told him I had put them there. When I was able, I would go to junkyards and look for items to put on the car. Greg said "man...you know more about my car than I do". Greg told me "if I ever sell this car, it will be to you".

So, I get back home to Indy in June of 2024. I get a call from Greg "where are you?" I tell him "I'm back in Indy". He says "man, I wished you would have called me.... I'm going to do the right thing and sell you the car!" My wife yells..YES!!! So we went back down to Tennessee, bought the car and brought it home in September of 2024.

HOLLEY MOPARTY- NHOA Reunion - Bowling Green KY, Sept 12-14, 2025

A number of IMC members made the trip to Bowling Green this past September to attend Holley's MoParty Event at Beech Bend Raceway. The site is gorgeous, having a quarter mile drag strip, a large open paved area for a pylon race course, an amusement park, wooded camping area along with ample room for pits and swap meet. This event gets larger every year and even had Chrysler Corp participation with drifting type spectator rides with professional drivers in Hellcat vehicles. This year also featured a mini-meet within the event for the National Hemi Owners Club Reunion. My brother Dan made the first public appearance of his 1968 Super Bee (though only a roller at this time, it is an originally equipped Hemi automatic). We had our cars side by side for the first time ever & put up our Chrysler dealership 'Quality Used Cars' sign between them, so quite a memorable weekend for us.

Our friend Mark Graver from Detroit brought his B5 Blue '67 Hemi Coronet R/T 4 speed HT for its first NHOA Reunion as well. Former IMC VP Kent Wallace, also in Michigan now, towed Mark's car to the show. He also had a twin to park next to as another B5 Blue Hemi R/T sat next to his for the show and another friendship formed.

I believe there were approximately 36 or so original Hemi cars including a couple of real-deal factory race cars in attendance and the first hemi pilot car, a white Road Runner for the 1970 model year. Quite an incredible group. One member of the group brought a drone with a camera and took some pretty cool tree top shots of the entire group and each owner with their cars. There is current discussion of Reunion #3 thanks to the efforts of Matt Hargis and his wife Stephaine who were also involved last year when we met in Brownsburg, IN at the first NHOA Reunion gathering since the club disbanded in the late '90s.

IMC Members in attendance this year included IMC President Vickie Walker & husband John, Bob Vorpe, Dave Sanders, Rick Zimmerman, Rick Kelly, Jim Kelly, Dan Kelly and Tom Kelly. The Kelly's even brought our youngest brother John and though not into the car hobby, did own a '63 Plymouth (under pressure likely) quite a number of years back! IMC members Dart and Donna Liebrandt's nephew Daniel was also in attendance with his incredible bronze '69 Charger 500 Hemi.

Of note, Bob Vorpe drove his recently acquired, 1970 Chrysler Newport Custom (only 18,000 original miles) to the show! The car is immaculate, and we are fortunate Bob did not fall asleep while driving it.. the front and rear seats remind you of your couch at home and appear to be just as comfy! Bob has promised a newsletter article on this cruiser in the future.

I highly recommend this show in the future as everyone who's been there, just loves it!



Daniel Liebrandt's Hemi Charger 500



Kelly Brothers with Dan's '68 Hemi Bee & Tom's '68 Hemi RR



Bob Vorpe's 1970 Chrysler Newport Custom



Friend of the Club Mark Graver's '67 Hemi R/T



Rick Zimmerman's Toxic Orange Challenger



Bob Vorpe's Chrysler



Incredible Lancer Wagon



Drone Shot over Kelly's Camp



NHOA Display



Pristine '66 Hemi Belvidere I

Submitted by Tom Kelly, October 2025



TATTLER'S CORNER (In Memory of Jan Peel and her awesome sense of humor!)



Please let me know of any Club member related humorous stories!

November 2025 Birthdays:

Caryn Williamson 11-01
Sharon Wedan 11-08

Rick Kelly 11-04
Tim Little 11-16

Jim Kelly 11-07
Bill Sanders 11-29

November 2025 Anniversaries:

Cyndi & Keith Rohloff 11-18



HOOSIER REGION PLYMOUTH CLUB NEWS

Please let me know of any shows or events that members attended. Members Scott Oller and Teresa & Tom attended the York Plainfield Show and the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum tour in October. Coverage in next newsletter.

2025 INDY MOPAR CLUB – EVENT LIST TBV – to be verified TBD – to be determined 08-21-25 tvk

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Oct 4	Sat (Rain Sun 5 th)	10a-2p	York Chrysler / IMC Car Show	Charleston Pavillion, Plainfield	Jeff Platzer
18	Sat		Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg / Natl Auto & Truck Museums	Auburn IN	Tom Kelly
26	Sat	time tbv	Breakthrough T1D (JDRC) RUN/WALK	Indianapolis IN	Steve Wisdom
30	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg Nominations for 2026 Officers	MCL Cafeteria	Vickie Walker
Nov 20	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Vickie Walker
22-23	Sat-Sun		Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show	Rosemont IL	Tom Kelly
Dec 7	Sun	5p	Indy Mopar Club Christmas Party	Steve Wisdom's Clubhouse 1202 Leisure Lane, Greenwood 46142	Steve Wisdom

NOTE: NO DECEMBER MEETING AT MCL